

December 2015 Newsletter Update



*Jesus Christ,
He is the Light
of the World*

*Have a Joyful and Wonderful
Celebration*

Of our Savior's Birth

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Some Statistics From 2015

Soul-winning Seminars:

Weekend Soul-winning seminars conducted – **21** (Foreign Country – **1**)

Lost people saved during the seminars – **54+** (that we know of)

Miles traveled – **over 35,000 miles**

National meetings attended – **2**

Bible Conferences/Revivals preached – **14**

Other churches preached or attended – **55**

We are well aware that the results given in these statistics are because of the Lord's blessings, but also your response to pray and give. We praise the Lord for, and thank you for, your help in praying and giving. Our hearts are humbled at all that our Lord is doing; the people saved, the churches helped, and the Pastors and people encouraged to win a lost world to Christ. And for these things, we must also thank you.

Bro. Bob and Mrs. Joy

November was just a normal month – Wonderful!

We had set up a Seminar for 2nd Baptist Church, Ponca City, OK (Bro. Ken Newport is the pastor) for the weekend of **November 8th**, but outside circumstances did not allow us to have the complete Seminar. I taught Sunday School (abbreviated materials) and included some



parts of the Seminar. During the Sunday morning service God showed up and blessed during the invitation. One young woman got gloriously saved and a young man came to “get his life straightened out”. He had been saved some years ago but had never been scripturally baptized, and of course his life has been a mess. What a great victory.

ATTENTION! We are now doing more of the Sunday mini-seminars (during Sunday School) with a Sunday morning service. Let me know if we can do one for you at your church in December or January.

Sunday Evening I preached at Baptist Heritage Baptist Church in Jennings, OK. I have seen some old church buildings that have been converted to bars (that’s an affront to a holy God), but this church has converted a Strip Club to a church (that’s great!). The pastor said that all the walls and ceilings were painted black (a real picture of sin), but, they have completely redone the building. What a blessing. Pray for Bro. Jonah Cannon and his family as they labor in the fields white unto harvest.



November 13-15 I taught a Seminar and preached at our home church; **Southside Baptist Church, Vicksburg, MS**. What a great weekend! We had 2 saved; 1 young man during visitation and a lady got saved outside of visitation. One of our women got sick and left home to go to the Seminar late Saturday morning.



When she stopped at the corner stop sign, the Holy Spirit sent her back to her neighbors, to whom she had not witnessed, and the wife got saved. We had a good time when she got to church. Monday afternoon our pastor and I had the opportunity to lead the husband to the Lord who had been witnessed to on Saturday. Sunday morning the Holy Spirit visited us in power and glory. Folks got some things right they had harbored for years, and God filled the altars. We had the privilege of being at our home church for the **evening service** to hear one of “our” missionaries, Bro. Gilbert Tenorio from the Philippines. It seemed kind of strange,



because we are everybody's missionaries, but we have missionaries also, and are involved in mission support and giving through our church. What a blessing to hear Bro. Gilbert's report, and what a great service we had. **Wednesday evening**, the couple who got saved presented themselves for baptism, and Sunday morning they brought a whole row of people to church.

November 22nd found us at Memorial Independent Baptist Church in Landis, North Carolina.



The pastor and his family have just moved from Nebraska. We met Bro. Brad Jenkins at the Church Planting Conference at Wilson Creek Baptist Church in Battlefield, MO. I taught Sunday School (another short Seminar) and preached the Sunday Morning



service. Also spoke at the Thanksgiving Dinner in the evening (Venison and turkey Chili along with venison steaks and a lot of other food). Great day. Please pray for this church as they win their community to the Lord. Also for Bro. Brad and his wife because their premature baby died.



November 23rd we returned to Easley, SC for the Thanksgiving Jubilee at Lighthouse Baptist Church. Great time with these dear folks and their pastor Bro. Frankie Hunt. Dr. Hunt and I traveled to Cambodia together last August and we enjoy spending time together, but did not get to go fishing on Lake Hartwell. Bro. Curtis Barbary preached each evening. We had not seen him in 30

years; what a great reunion.

November 25th we were at Faith Baptist Church, in Emporia, VA for their Thanksgiving Supper and service. Bro. John Kinsey is the pastor and his brother is an Independent Baptist missionary in San Jose, Costa Rica. These are some of God's precious people.

November 26th – 27th we got to visit with our son and granddaughters in Virginia Beach, VA. It has been 4 years since we have seen them and had a great get-together eating Thanksgiving turkey and Mexican Food.



November 29th found us at Southside Baptist Church in Rock Hill, South Carolina for both



services. Bro. Kenneth Walters has been the pastor for many years. We first met Bro. Kenneth at the Missionary orientation (he taught in the orientation) before leaving for



Costa Rica as GIBM missionaries. We got to see old friends and some that we knew from Mississippi earlier this year. This is a precious church, with a wonderful spirit, and the presence of the Spirit of God in the services.

November was a busy month that started off with only 1 place to go, and then the Lord filled His calendar.

December's Calendar is Empty Right Now,

except for the time we will spend the Christmas Holidays with some of our children. We will see what the Lord has for us in December. Right now we are waiting on Him to fill the Calendar with the places and churches He wishes us to go.

If You are Considering a Seminar For Next Year:

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God has given us a marvelous year in saving souls, the people in the Seminars receiving a burden for the lost, and receiving the encouragement to win the lost to Christ. There has also been much opposition from the world and the devil. In it all the Lord has been faithful, and it is good to watch Him take care of every situation. We are simply amazed at all that has happened. The next year holds many possibilities, but we pray that there will be a greater harvest, and a revival of witnessing in our Baptist churches.

Bro. Bob