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"For we are labourers together with God" (I Cor. 3:9)



Whither We Goest, Thou Goest: By Your Prayers And Financial Support



Greetings. You are getting the bulletin early again this month because of our traveling and not having sufficient electricity for the main computer which we use to do the bulletin.

Our time with Tammy and her family was very short. We had the grand-girls with us a little over a week {the last week we were at Natchez} but we got to see very little of them after we took them home. We arrived at Tammy's late Tuesday evening and while there had to do some work on the motorhome: getting material and working on my "office" floor. We also had to meet our new tax man. We also took the motorhome to get the oil changed and then we headed on up to Rutledge. We wish we had had more time to visit with Tammy and family while there, but we were just too rushed.

We arrived at Rutledge, TN on Wednesday, April 18th and began **door knocking** the next day. We had to work around wind and showers but were able to get the material passed out to the houses near the church building. As in most places, the people were friendly and seemed to appreciate us coming by and inviting them to the services. Two of the men here (Gene and James) took 50 of our packets and passed those out in their community and plan to start, on a regular basis, door knocking at least one day every two weeks. Gene also signed up 3 for the BCC. The church has ordered BCCs for those signed up and have gotten those out.

We were quite impressed with all the preparation done for the gospel meeting and all the work the men did in order to make our stay pleasant: They advertized in the newspaper both by inserting a brochure and by having it listed in the church news; some members took handouts to give out in their neighborhood; one of the men, Gene French, took handouts to the local businesses. The men fixed hook-ups for us so we parked behind the church building. We enjoyed being there: the building is in the country and our "picture window" view was of rolling hills and farm land. We had some eastern bluebirds for our close neighbors.

The Gospel Meeting went well with about 5 or 6 non-members coming with friends or family and one visitor coming because of our door knocking. His name is Lonnie and while at his door he made the comment, "A small act [inviting people] can help encourage (him) to start coming back to church." He also said he has passed the building almost every day for 40 years but has never visited there. Had we not knocked on his door it is almost certain he would not have come this time. **Is it any wonder Jesus said "Go."**

Since it is on our way to Salamanca, New York we will be stopping by Galax, VA to see family. Sandy's side of the family is having a reunion May 5, so she hopes to see cousins that she hasn't seen in many years. We will also stop by Shenandoah to see loved ones of the church there. We are excited about working in Salamanca for several reasons, one being that we will only be 4 ½ hours away from our daughter, Amy, and will be able to see her more than one time this year. The hardest part about our work is being so far away from our children and not being able to see them very often. We are most thankful for telephones and email. Sandy often talks about if it were back in the old days when a letter took months to reach you that she just doesn't know how she would handle being so far away from the girls.

Please continue to remember us in your prayers as we travel and work in Salamanca. We are **thankful** for you all and for making this work possible. **Much good is being done** by putting the material into many homes and also encouraging church members to keep on in the work. May God be with you all.

In His Service, Perry & Sandy

Rutledge, TN Totals: 349 Packets & 50 that Gene and James passed out in their community; 19 bcc; 100 miles in door knocking.