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Door knocking in those **700+ USA** counties without the church and helping small congregations



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



Rejoice with us: our middle granddaughter, Samantha, obeyed the gospel. What joy for us to hear this good news. We are proud of her and her older sister Sher'ril, and their parents – for their desire to serve God.

Speaking appointments in December: If any of you in the TN / AL area would like for me to come and give an update on the work, or discuss the possibilities of having a tent (below) it would be more convenient for me to do so in December. We have done this mostly in January in times past, but in the future I will plan on December. There are several reasons for this, one is we need to go to our winter work the first of January. Also we will set our yearly doctor visits in December. For those outside TN / AL area it would be more convenient for us to be able to do so when we are nearby. Let us know and we will work it out.

Providence of God: Though my website is not very "visible" to the public, yet through it we received a contact from Elizabeth in Kenya for a study. I contacted several here in the states in order to find a missionary near her. I finally got in touch with Samson (preacher) near Kenya, he went and taught them -- a denomination of about 50. It is also set up for him to go back and preach for about four days. Elizabeth said she could gather about 150 to be taught. Mars Hill congregation sent them about 150 tracts of each subject we have plus some of their tracts and Bibles. We appreciate them handling our tracts. They do a very good job.

It has been a busy month of door knocking (924 packets in 2 towns without the church), planning future work and getting info on tents, etc. And looks like a busy 2015: <u>Jan.-March</u> we go to AZ for door knocking (DK) and gospel meeting (GM); <u>April</u> to TN for GM; <u>May-June</u> to IL for DK & GM in a tent we hope (below); <u>June</u> to VA for DK & GM in tent – I hope ours and not a rented tent.

Planning a tent meeting at Pinckneyville, IL fairground: a town of 5,500 without the church of Christ.

Please mark your calendars. Dates: June 1 through the 7th for the tent meeting. May 25th through June the 6th for the door knocking. Door knockers could come anytime during that time, but early is better.

Saving money to help save souls: I've been thinking how to save money so we can buy a tent. It is almost time to order some more tracts and by ordering more of each tract we can save **about \$634.00** per individual tract order. There are four main tracts to order, so 4 orders saving \$634 each = \$2,536 savings. The brother wanting a gospel meeting in VA mentioned wanting a tent meeting there and checked on renting one. He emailed, "Looks like about \$400 for a weekend or \$600 for a week for a 20' x 30' tent." Sandy checked here and to rent a 30' x 30' tent would be \$639 for a week. For a 30' x 45' for a week it is \$735.

We can save money in the long run by purchasing a tent and also be equipped to do more and better evangelistic work helping small congregations and holding tent meetings in places without the church. Keep in mind it can, and prayerfully will be used many times in the future thus saving much more money which can be used toward more soul saving.

Budget your money and time soon to help us in these endeavors. Please donate what you can for these efforts as soon as you can. We need to know early what we can do so we can make better plans. Any money collected more than we need for the tent will be used for extra expenses and material. Your money will be put to good use. If we can buy a tent by April 2015 that would give us enough time to be ready for the gospel meetings.

Volunteers are needed anytime during May 25th through June the 6th. Door knocking experience is not needed. During the tent meeting (June 1-7th) someone(s) to man the tent during the day would be good so tracts can be passed out to those who may come by, and to answer their questions. Hopefully we could even have some Bible studies going on at the tent. Those manning the tent could have refreshments for the door knockers.

Please read last month's report.

Please consider and check ✓ the boxes which you will try to do. And please let me know soon.

- ☐ Come and help pass out the invitations to the gospel meeting.
- □ Come and man the tent and support the meeting effort.
- \square Make a donation to help buy the tent. Tent alone about \$3,500.
- ☐ Make a donation to help buy the higher number of tracts in order to save about \$2,536 on the overall order of tracts. Ha, you have probably figured out it is better to donate here and with the savings we could almost buy the tent.
- □ Volunteer to store the tent.
- □ Volunteer to bring the tent as needed. Several volunteers would be good here. If you only volunteered to bring it one time a year that would help.

The commissioner here said they would charge us \$25 a day for the space for the tent in the fairground. He also said we need to get on the list soon in order to be assured of the spot we want. So next week I will likely make a deposit for the site. I think about 9 days would be enough.

We thank you all very much for your consideration of these things. With God's blessings and your help we will be able to do these evangelistic efforts.

We thank you for your prayers and continued support of us and the work. We are thankful for all your good works. We pray God's many blessings on all of you.

In His Service, Perry & Sandy