

Glad Tidings From Littleton, NH Luke 2:10

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"Some give by going on missions; Others go by giving to missions; Without both there would be no missions"

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A Busy but Blessed Month

Because our New Hampshire trees produce such a variety of bright colored leaves, October attracts lots of visitors. We were blessed to have three families with a total of ten people who attended services either in Lancaster or Littleton or both. Members of the church who join us for worship bring more encouragement than they might realize. So, come worship with us any time of the year. It is always beautiful here!



Blessed with a Better Meeting Place

We feel blessed to have secured the Senior Center in Littleton as the location for our Sunday afternoon worship services. The problem with the other public place we met is that we could not use it several Sundays a year. The Senior Center doesn't have any activities on Sunday so we should be able to meet there without any interruptions. A picture the Senior Center is above.

When we secured the Senior Center, I wrote 40 personal letters to some residents in the building next to the Senior Center, which is an independent and assisted living facility, to those with whom I had good visits when I delivered the gift boxes to the new-move-ins, and to the people for whom we had done service projects the past summer. Stuffing those envelopes was one of the jobs the

Bear Valley students did as part of their campaign work. We rejoiced that the next Sunday a lady who had been a new-move-in attended and said she would be back. Two people for whom we did service projects also came, as well as a young man I had met and visited with at a Selectman's (City Counsel) meeting. We thanked God for them and will continue to reach out to them.

Blessed with Another Prospect

Several months ago, when I was going to the gym, I posted one of my business cards on the bulletin board. Recently, a man who goes to the gym regularly, saw my card, sent be an email and I responded. Long story short, he is getting his work schedule for Sundays changed so that he can begin worshipping with us. Amazing! I have not been at the gym in months, but my card was still there, and he saw it.

Blessed to Become a Chaplain

When I found out that the hospital did not have a chaplain, I volunteered to be the chaplain for the hospital, and they agreed for me to serve in that capacity. Thanks to God for opening that door. Once a day I make the rounds, visiting all the patients. Usually, that is about a dozen people with whom I get to visit. During the visit I ask if there is anything I can do for them and then I ask if he or she would like me to pray for them. It is amazing how many do not want prayer, but I have had several very good conversations. One was with the wife of a man who was going to have serious surgery. Pray that these will lead us to people who are now ready to think about spiritual things and their eternal destiny.

Blessed to Teach Hermeneutics

The Lakes Region church in Tilton, NH about an hour south of Littleton asked me to come on Wednesday nights to teach "Hermeneutic." "Hermeneutics" is the science of interpretation. This was a subject that I enjoyed teaching at the Bear Valley Bible Institute for several years. It may sound very technical, but it is easily understood and is a

foundation for understanding how God authorizes. "Exegesis" tells us what the text says, "Hermeneutics" tells us how God authorizes us to carry-out what the text teaches.



Blessed to Visit Supporters

Pictured above are Mark and Jane Seim, who are two of the greatest hosts you will ever find! They have been members of the church in Northfield, New Jersey for fifty years. Both are retired schoolteachers in the athletic department. He was a coach for several years. Through their years in the congregation, he was the "fill-in" preacher when the congregation's preacher was gone. Some of you may remember Owen Olbricht, who did a lot of work in New England. He preached for this congregation, but due to his work all over that area, he was gone a lot. When he was gone Mark did the preaching. For a number of years, Mark has become their full-time preacher. It is a wonderful, loving, congregation and one of our supporters.

Speaking of visiting supporting congregation, the Lord willing, the week of Thanksgiving and a few days in the first week of December, I am going to be in Alabama visiting churches who support us. Hopefully, I can meet several of you during my time there.

Blessed to Have a BV Campaign Team

The Bear Valley Bible Institute students have to go on campaigns to work with local congregations. We were blessed to have three fine students with us from Saturday night until Thursday morning. I will say that the campaign did not go as well as I had hoped, but not because of the students. My plans just didn't work out. The plan was to

do service projects in the community every morning and then, after lunch and rest, knock on doors in the late afternoon until dark.

First, we didn't get any requests for service projects as we had when we advertised for them in the summer. So, I said, "Okay, we will just knock on doors all day." Well, it rained all day Monday. We did manage to work a couple of hours. Then Monday night one of the students became very sick and went to bed at 8:00 p.m. and slept until Wednesday morning at 8:00. We kept offering to take him to a doctor, but he didn't think he needed it. When he got back to Denver and went to a doctor, he found that he had pneumonia.

Because I had an orientation about the work of being a chaplain Tuesday morning, I decided not to send the students out until the afternoon when I could work with them. I discovered that in Littleton, like most cities, there are very few people at home during the day. So, we decided that our time could better be spent doing other projects and so that is what they did the next day and a half. We appreciate the work they did and pray that God will bless their efforts. But, we have decided that the cost of bringing BV students is too great for the length of time they can work.

Thanks for the Continued Prayers And Financial Support

Without both of these, we could not do the work we do! We appreciate all who keep up with our work by reading these reports and the FaceBook post of Weezie. We send a special "Thank You" to those who respond on FaceBook or by e-mails and phone calls. It reminds us that we are not alone even though sometimes it feels like it when we are so far from most of our family, friends, and supporters.

There are several ways you can keep up with us. First, Weezie usually has at least one post a week on FaceBook. A brother in NJ has set up a FaceBook page for the church. Try looking there. Since that has just started, I haven't gotten to post messages yet, but plan to do so soon. Please check our website https://littletonnhchurchofchrist.org/ There are many articles there and I plan to post others. Also, I'm going to post the sermon topics for the next few weeks. We have begun a series on "Lessons from Conversations of Jesus."

I also publish a little paper each week called "Meditating on the Word" which I send out by e-mail. If you would like to receive it send your request to gwayneburger@gmail.com Thanks for reading,

In Christian Love,

Wayne and Weezie Burger Your Missionaries in Littleton NH