

Todd and Ginger



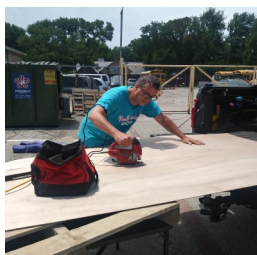
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*Missionaries to the Local Churches of America*

July/August Update

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

We have been thinking back over the last nine months of 2020. When the year began, little did we know what was in store. Our calendar for the year had been filled with churches to minister to, and we were ready to go. Then Covid hit. Travel was restricted, only essential business were allowed to operate, churches were closed and meetings were canceled. Wow! How things can change in an instant! We are reminded what Jesus said to his disciples in John 9:4, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." Jesus said he "must work", meaning it is essential! Souls depend on it. The devil's purpose in all this is to stop the work of the Lord. We all have to be more creative and look diligently for ways to serve and get the Gospel out despite the circumstances. We must not quit!



The first week of July we made an unscheduled trip to Ohio. Ginger's Grandma passed away and I was privileged to preach her funeral. When we returned from Ohio, we immediately began constructing some very large waves in preparation for our home church's youth conference. I was in charge of cutting and constructing them, and Ginger painted them. During the youth conference we helped with the food preparation and distribution and were overseers of the dining rooms and making sure everyone had what they needed. I also was able to drive the bus to and from the hotel and to all off-property events. After the conference, we were scheduled to help with a VBS, but due to various reasons it was canceled. The last weekend of the month we were headed to Mississippi to do a Bus Ministry training, but we had to reschedule due to one of our close friends passing away.



In August we traveled to Red Oak, TX, to help Landmark Baptist Church with a Super Saturday. The first Sunday I was able to present the ministry and preach as well as teach the adult Sunday school. During the week we worked on organizing the games and getting our lessons together in addition to shopping for all the prizes. On Wednesday night Ginger and I did a children's church. I ran the service, the singing and did the lesson and Ginger did the object lesson and the games. Saturday was the big day. We had a great time with the kids and adults alike! We sang, played games, had object lessons, ate lunch, did crafts and heard a message from the pastor. After that we all went bowling. Sunday, Ginger and I both taught Sunday school and for the evening service we did another children's church with all of the adults in attendance. We had a great time with Landmark and they were such a great blessing to us! Following the Super Saturday we were planning to go to Mississippi to do the Bus Training that we had rescheduled, but the weather did not cooperate and sent us not one, but two hurricanes in the Gulf. We had to reschedule and Lord willing we will be there in October to do the training.



Pray for us as we travel and finish out this year. We are fully scheduled for the remainder of 2020. We are praying for you as you face the challenges of the day in ministry. We are praying for the physical and spiritual health of our churches in America and abroad.

Thank you for your prayers and support. You have been faithful during the good and bad times and we thank God always for you.



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