STAGNER FAMILY

January-February 2013 Update

And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life. Philippians 4:3

The Apostle Paul was by far the greatest church planting missionary to ever live, his success at training men of God and planting works of God has become a blueprint for church planters throughout the entire world. Yet the mighty apostle was never short on gratefulness toward those that labored with him, both men and women alike were magnificent assets in the ministry that set ablaze the gospel and consequently turned the world upside down. He was honored and greatly humbled by the co-laboring efforts of those true yokefellow, women, and fellowlabourers. The church is made of different ministries and in like manner of those who perform each diversified aspect of this intricate body. I learned from a wise preacher, who has labored for half a century in the preaching of word of God, that there are three laborers we need in our churches: The Soul Winners - Those that will Persuade ('knowing therefore the terror of the Lord...we persuade men'), The Inviters - Those that will Compel ('go into the hyways and hedges and compel them...') and The Teachers - Those that will teach Sunday School classes to children etc. (Christ said 'suffer the little children unto me'). Friend, some that will soul win, may never teach and those that compel may never win a soul, but they will bring them in to church that the word of God may be preached unto them. For this cause the ministry for our Lord and Savior is made up of many many facets, but when placed together they form the local body of called out believers in Christ that meet for the propagation of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Beloved, that is the <u>local church</u>; the very entity our Savior built upon foundation of His death, burial and resurrection. Praise His wonderful name.

Abroad

Things are moving forward quite exponentially in England and Wales. We are currently on track to have two Bible colleges in full operation by September 2013: Calvary Baptist Bible College of Staffordshire (located in Stoke-On-Trent) and Calvary Baptist Bible College of Tyne and Wear (located in Sunderland). We are planning on a third college plant in Wales, once further logistics are surmised.

Deputation

Our travels have been safe and greatly blessed in January and February, praise the Lord! We have traveled in NC, GA, FL, AL, and TN three separate times during the first two months of 2013. The Lord has enabled us to present the ministry as well as myself to preach in over fifteen churches which included several mission conferences. One particular conference in GA, while on visitation, the Lord blessed us to be able to see a 15 year old young man confess Christ as his Savior, praise the Lord! We also received notification from a multitude of churches from last year's meetings that confirmed to partner with us in the ministry of Church Planting in the United Kingdom Which places our support currently around 37%.

I personally want to thank each and every one that has in some way contributed to the ministry the Lord has called us thereunto. Please continue to pray as we move forward and know that you are in our prayers as well. Lord bless.

Till the Shout,

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Romans 12.2

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