

RS Ministries

August 1, 2019

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

It is hard to believe the summer is two thirds over as time seems to fly so quickly. This reminds us of the urgency of the hour to reach more for Christ. The heat here in South Carolina has been almost unbearable, however, we are enjoying cooler days recently and we praise the Lord for His mercy to us.

The month of July has been a great month at Gospel Light Baptist Church where our attendance has been very good. July 4th weekend, God sent us 31 which was hard to believe on such a vacation weekend. There have been three visiting families and one family just moved here from Vermont. They have been there every week and tell us they will see us next week. Word is getting around town that something is happening at Gospel Light Baptist Church. Just last week I was out door to door when a guy stopped me on his mower. He said, "I heard about your church growing and there is talk around town." Praise the Lord for His goodness!

The new sign has been installed and plans are underway to plant flowers around it to give the church a better curb appeal. We are currently selling a trailer that was used as a parsonage next to the church with on acre of land. A family is ready to purchase it as soon as we get it surveyed. School will be starting soon so we are asking God to help us reach several new families as vacation season ends. As things slow down for all of us, we are confident God is going to give us a great fall.

Janet is working at the Orangeburg Regional Medical Center and making good contacts with prospects. One of the ladies from our church works there also and she is inviting people. People at church are asking prayer for their friends to attend who they are inviting. I found the vast majority of guests attend because of a personal invitation. I have invited several of the people I work with at my security job who have promised to attend.

Please pray for God to send in families who will be a part of revitalizing this ministry. Also, pray for God to send us a pastoral couple who will help us and eventually take the church. The fields are white unto harvest here and people are hungrier than ever for God's Word. As the church landscape is changing to more of entertainment than preaching, the need of getting the gospel to them is at an all-time high.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support.

In His Service,

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