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JUNE/JULY 2020 PRAYER LETTER

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

“And the Lord, He it is that doth go before thee; He will be with thee, He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be thou dismayed.” (Deuteronomy 31:8) “And call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.” (Psalm 50:15)

National Bible Publishing Month (NBPM), is such an important part of the Bearing Seed Ministry (BPS). Churches that participate in NBPM each year are a real lifeline to a world in desperate need of God’s precious “written” Word. These funds given from monthly campaigns held in caring churches throughout the year provide the funds we need to buy truckloads of paper to publish the Scriptures on. Missionaries and national pastors are depending on us to get the Scriptures to them. If your church is unable to have a month long campaign to raise funds to glorify our Lord and His Word, could you help by buying rolls of paper at \$750.00 to \$1,000.00 per roll, depending on the paper we are running. **Will you help us buy the paper to publish the Word for those who are starving for it?**

Churches and Missionaries are hurting during this time. Many churches are still unable to have regular services. Pastors are heartbroken because offerings are down causing struggles in several areas. One of those areas is mission giving. Many people are still out of work or have taken lower paying jobs. They cannot give like they used to or cannot give and make ends meet. Several of our supporting churches have had to drop our support or cut back on it. It is the same with BPS. The first missionaries that are dropped are those who are based in the USA. That is understandable, but it makes it hard on these missionaries. Please pray for our missionaries around the world who are experiencing hardships and for churches that are struggling with tough decisions they must make. It is wonderful that we have a God who goes before us and will be with us. He will never fail us. We can call upon Him in the day of trouble, and He will deliver us, so we can glorify Him.

Health Update My doctors have been pushing me to have stem cell implants because of the damage to my body and the intense pain I am in continually. After they began examining and running tests on my body as a whole, they found many more areas that need attention. It would cost over \$70,000.00 for all the stem cells I need. A wonderful black church in Augusta, GA, Augusta Community Church, Pastor Nathaniel Nesbitt, sent in \$10,000.00 to help me get started. We are also selling our townhome and moving into a 1988 manufactured home to have the funds we need. The stem cells will rebuild the damaged, deteriorated muscles, ligaments, tendons, bones, etc., over time. I am getting them every two weeks to one area at a time. Your prayers are much appreciated.

OUR TRAVELS It was a joy to be at Friendship Baptist Church in Myrtle Beach, SC with Pastor Matt Gordon and with Pastor Joshua Lawson at Beacon Baptist Church in Lexington, SC. It was great meeting these two new pastors. They treated us royally. Pastor Lawson replaced retired, founding Pastor Thomas A. Caldwell. The Caldwell’s and their precious family have been precious friends of ours for many years. It was a joy to see the church so full and to see our wonderful friends. Beacon supports the BPS ministry helping us buy rolls of paper. It was great to see so much excitement in Pastor Lawson and his people. We had other meetings scheduled, but the pastors decided not to open their churches at that time. It was great to spend time with family in Augusta, GA and in Aiken, SC and with friends in Graniteville, SC. We are grateful to Breezy Hill Baptist Church and Pastor Phillip Napier for the use of their missionary apartment.

We want to thank you friends for your faithful support during these challenging times. We especially are grateful to Victory Baptist Church, secretary Loretta Hayward, and Bible Baptist Church, Pastor Paul Heaton for extra support sent in to help during this China virus, which has shut down so much of our country and other countries. Please pray for Loretta, as she has major health issues.

Yours for Christ and His Word,

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WE MUST PUBLISH, OR THEY WILL PERISH!