

The Thompson Family to Baltimore

Dear Friends,

Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.—Romans 15:13.

It is exciting to report that 2019 began with a bang! Our church was blessed to receive enough Jesus Film DVDs, free of charge, to cover each door in one entire zip code near us (27,000!). The Jesus Film DVD presents the life of Christ in video format translated into eight different languages; Spanish, French, Arabic, Mandarin, Hindi, Urdu, Vietnamese & English. Each of those people groups are represented in our area. We have taken these DVDs and placed them, along with a Gospel tract, in door hanger bags. It is our goal to deliver all 27,000.

Pastor Jason Milot of Hollister Baptist Church in Hollister, FL brought a group of teens and young adults up to help us with our new canvassing project. In just two days we were able to cover over 2,000 doors. They joined us for our midweek service and some of their young people sang and played the piano! Best of all they brought us some Sonny's Bar-B-Q sauce (hey y'all it's a southern thang!) and a whole lot of encouragement.

We started a new discipleship series during the Sunday school hour called "The Miracle of Multiplication," written by Dr. Clarence Sexton. Not only has this been helpful for spiritual development, but it has challenged everyone to be a better witness. It has been a blessing to see our people respond to this challenge by growing in this area. The Lord must have known we needed this because He provided all books and materials to us free of charge by one of His saints.

Our first baptismal service took place in February for an older gentleman in our church. It was convicting to see a senior saint who struggles with a debilitating disease follow the Lord in Believer's baptism even though it would be a physical struggle. When one of our recent attenders heard of the special service she told her Muslim friend about it. Her friend said that she wanted to witness a Christian baptism and showed up! Though she did not make a profession of faith on that visit she did hear a very clear presentation of the Gospel. Just before she left she said she could not believe how loving and friendly we (Christians) were to her. Glory to the Lord for that opportunity!

When time change came we were able to kick off our Wednesday evening outreach program called "Spread the Word." We had 12 people come out for the first night! In just four Wednesday nights we have been able to cover almost another 1,000 doors and meet many new people.

Please continue to pray for our family and our work. While we have certainly received many blessings there are still frequent challenges that will only be conquered through prayer and the power of God. We must have the Lord's help. Will you help us pray for:

1. Help. It would be a tremendous blessing if the Lord sent a family to help us!
2. Health. We have recently been experiencing some difficulties and we covet your prayers.

Thank you for your love, prayers and support. Please know that we are praying for you and your ministries.

In Christ,

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