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Youth Camp



Kyle & Michael (Saved)



Luke (Saved)



We have gotten through most of our technology difficulties that we mentioned in our last prayer letter, only to face another difficulty. We have another family that is moving (Fiji). They have been with us from almost the start of this work. We have seen both of their children come into this world and one dedicated to the Lord. It will leave a big hole in our hearts, but we know that God is able to fill it.



God has blessed us with three salvations these past two months. Luke came to us from Canada (Yukon Territory), and stayed almost a month at our home. In the first couple of days I was able to witness to him, and soon found that though he thought he was saved, he had not understood salvation. He wanted to be a Christian and go to heaven so he prayed and asked God to make him a Christian. What he failed to understand is the reason why he needed to be saved. He actually became a bit defensive and for the next couple of days was pretty quiet. On the third night (11:30 pm) he came to my office and asked to speak to me. He told me that he had been thinking, reading, and praying about what I had said; he even called his pastor back home and asked if I was crazy (the pastor said, of course (smile), but he is telling you the truth."). That night Luke openly confessed that he was a sinner and that he needed Jesus, who paid for his sins. He asked God to forgive him and to be Lord of his life. It was an awesome night, and we both cried.

The other two that got saved were saved at our annual youth camp. Michael and Kyle both came forward and confessed they were sinners and wanted to ask Jesus to be their Savior. They both want to follow the Lord in Believer's Baptism.

Our youth camp was amazing this year. We had 50% new campers and a majority of them were unsaved. In the end, 18 out of 120 received Christ as their Lord and Savior. In addition to those that received Christ, there were many who committed to serve the Lord - my daughter being one of them. When she came forward, Debbie asked her why she came forward, and she said that she wanted to commit to serve the Lord with her life. She then said that she would like to serve Him for a month in Vanuatu. Debbie spoke with her about serving, and that unless she was faithful to serve first in her local church, how could she expect God to trust her in serving Him in Vanuatu. She said, "I want to start teaching Sunday School, and playing the piano so God can trust me to serve Him in Vanuatu". Praise the Lord!

Thank you for your prayers, and sacrificial giving.

God Bless, your missionaries, Guy, Debbie, Logan, & Erin Bankston

Praises

- God's Provisions • Souls receiving Christ • Families joining the church
- Spiritual and physical growth in our people

Prayers

- Souls to be saved • Wisdom in leading the church & proclaiming the Word
- Healing for Zelda Campbell • Health and strength for our family • Church projects (Landscaping, Parking Lot & Siding)