



Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus... Hebrews 12:1-2

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

It is often true that the words we speak do not resonate as loud as the actions that we make in service to others. The Lord has especially made this a month of service. We have ministered to both the lost and the saved with acts of kindness.

My wife's midwife Kazmiera has retired and is moving away from the area to Calgary to live with her son. She asked for help to move her stuff, and so I assisted her as well as several of her neighbours and friends. During the move, I had one very good conversation with one of the helpers about the Bible. As a result of this service, we invited Kazmiera to our daughter's baby dedication and she consented to come, but the Catholic church of which she is a part threw her a going away party, so she had to change plans. She did let us know that she would make it up to us when she came back to the area in October. Our earnest prayer is to see her saved.

Some of other service opportunities arose through the radio station ministry. Frederick, whom I met at the radio station, moved away from Thompson last month, and before he left he handed me off to his other sales associate, Dave. I had the privilege of sitting down with these men at one of the local restaurants. Dave was recently widowed after 40 years of marriage, and I am praying to be able to witness to him like I did with Frederick. One of the other radio worker's Max, who records my weekly sermons, took me up on an offer to go out on the lake. I was able to speak with him about God while we were out. He wants go out again, and weather permitting we will be able to, but the weather here is quickly turning cold. He is open to the things of God, and hears me give the Gospel week after week when I record the sermons in studio. It would be wonderful to see him saved.

With respect to the ministry, the Lord allowed us a number of opportunities to come alongside and encourage or exhort others to further service for Christ. These opportunities began with a trip to Winnipeg seven and a half hours south of Thompson. One of the men of our church was very sick, and was flown to Winnipeg for surgery. The Thompson hospital has three of their four operating rooms (OR) out of commission due to water damage, and the fourth O.R. is used only for absolute emergencies. I was able to really connect with this church member. God granted another bonding time with another church member, through the continual work and repairs on our building. Also, during the month a lady who sometimes attends approached my wife and me about discipleship. We met with her once, but her job and family schedule is interfering with meeting again. We hope and pray she can determine a time to meet with us. God has also granted another opportunity to interact with Sean. He has come to several church services, even this past weekend's marriage conference preached by my wife's uncle.

It was very refreshing to visit with my wife's uncle and aunt visiting. Her uncle was the guest speaker for our marriage conference as well as the baby dedication ceremony. He challenged the people from the Bible about God's design for marriage and the family. We truly appreciated the time together.

At times the acts of service we give out seems so insignificant, but as I reflect on those who have mentored me along the way of life, it was often these small acts of kindness that made such a strong impression on me. From the bottom of our heart, thank you for allowing us to minister here in Thompson, Manitoba.

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Praise Report

- 1) Family visiting
- 2) Service opportunities
- 3) Baby Dedication
- 4) Strength for Work

Prayer Requests

- 1) Kazmiera saved
- 2) Sean's freedom
- 3) Wisdom for ministry
- 4) Continue Discipleship

