



# the LEAKE Family

## MISSIONARIES TO ALLEN, TEXAS



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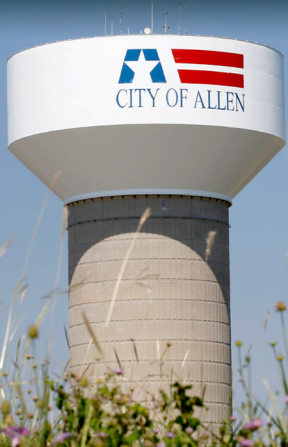
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Greetings in the lovely name of Jesus! It's time again to **SPRING FORWARD!** With so many things happening here in Allen and in our own personal lives, I find it difficult knowing exactly where to begin. I will tell you, although there have been many ups and downs over the past couple of months, the ups far out way the downs. In other words, we are still **SPRINGING FORWARD!**

One of the most difficult challenges in Church Planting, can be the uncertainty of your church's location as you search for a permanent place to meet. We have already experienced the turbulence of having to change our meeting location 4 times, due to scheduling conflicts with the City of Allen and our "regular meeting place". However, in the midst of it all we have still seen God continue to meet with us and bless us. During the past 2 months we have had 13 first time visitors and our average attendance between 15-20, with a high day of 22 with 9 first time visitors! Although at times we have felt like we were only going around in circles, we were in fact **SPRINGING FORWARD!**

Now, I will "**SPRING FORWARD**" into what is currently happening here. I have Included a page of pictures in this edition, simply because like the expression goes "A Picture IS Worth A Thousand Words!" God is doing the impossible out here in Allen, TX. As you look though the pictures you will see the forward progress in this ministry. I want to praise God for the most recent progress. As you will see in the pictures, God has given us our own permanent meeting place! We have a lot of work to do in order to turn this space into a church. The Lord gave us the needed laborers from Independent Baptist Builders to do all the necessary updates and remodeling. All we have to do is pay for the needed materials to complete this project. God has already provided almost half of the needed funds for this! If God lays it up on your heart to help us get this taken care of, I assure you it will not be in vain! If you have questions about how you can help in this project, feel free to call me or email me. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support, as we labor for lost souls in Allen, TX and continue to **SPRING FORWARD** for the cause of Christ!

In Christ,  
The Leake Family  
Mt. 9:38

The collage consists of three images. The left image is a flyer for Harvest Baptist Church, featuring a portrait of a man, a list of services, and a map. The middle image shows a group of about 15 people standing in front of a black SUV. The right image shows a group of about 10 people standing in front of a white van.



Regular Meeting Place-(aka Allen Community Room)



Backup Meeting Place-(aka Allen Rec. Center) Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>

The image block contains four photographs of a historic building, likely a church or hall. The first photo on the left shows the exterior of the building, featuring Gothic architecture with a steep, tiled roof and a prominent tower. The second photo shows the interior of the building, characterized by high, vaulted ceilings with exposed wooden beams and a large, ornate chandelier. The third photo shows a group of people gathered inside, with a piano and a large window visible in the background. The fourth photo shows a group of people seated at tables, possibly for a meal or event, with a large window and a chandelier visible in the background.

Emergency Meeting Place Past 2 Weeks-(aka The Dentist of Allen) Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> & March 1<sup>st</sup>

Pictures of our new permanent location, which is across the road from our regular meeting place-(aka Allen Community room) right behind the main intersection of Allen and McDermott. By the time you receive this letter we have signed a 3 year lease on this space. There is a lot of work and remodeling that must be completed before it is usable. We have help from Independent Baptist Builders ministry, who are providing all of the labor to us. We will try to include a few pictures in our next prayer letter, after all of the remodel work is complete and we move in. God willing we will hold our first service here on Easter!! This is just some of the proof that GOD CAN still build a church in a place where men say it can't be done, and Bible Preaching still works. To all of this we say GLORY TO GOD!! Thank you!!