

# the Cooleys

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Reaching the  
Northwest USA

Brethren, pray for us. *1 Thessalonians 5:25*

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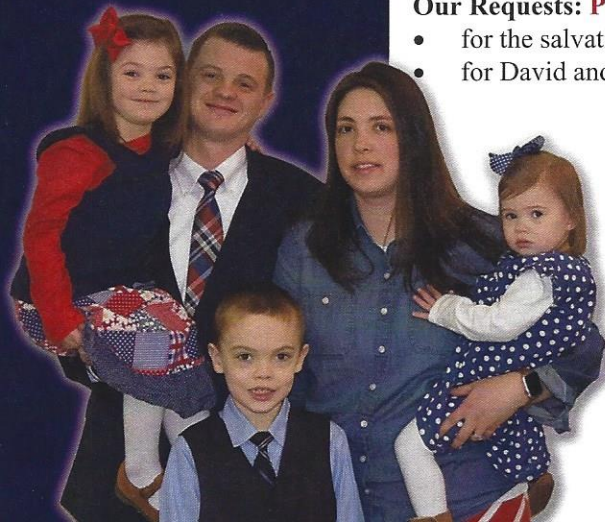


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To our Beloved Brethren in Christ,

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**Our Report:** The month of November has proven to be challenging for us. We closed our last letter rejoicing over the trailer God gave us with things we needed for the church plant. We open this letter rejoicing that God has preserved this trailer for us. It was stolen 1-2 days after we sent out October's prayer letter. We immediately began praising the Lord that though the trailer was stolen, it had not been loaded with everything yet. We sought to rejoice our way through the disappointment. With the laws and lawlessness in WA state as they are, it was written off as a loss in the minds of everyone, yet we all kept praying. Within a week, Pastor Reno let me know the Police had found, seized, and secured the trailer. Due to sickness and snow along the mountain pass, we have yet to get the trailer back to Oregon. Please pray for a timely and safe trip and return.

We have been hindered this month due to family sickness. We came down with something (most likely the flu), and have been down for 3 and a half weeks; bacterial infections for Benjamin and Elsie followed the flu, but praise the Lord we are up and going and getting stronger. We couldn't travel to ID for the missions conference. We had to cancel our Bible study on Wednesday nights for a couple of weeks but have resumed them now. The Lord gave us a space of grace for about 3 days in the middle where I felt well enough to get out with a couple brothers who flew in to be a blessing and help us explore the area for a meeting place. We found some, and we have signed contracts on a meeting place for Sundays in the spring of 2023.

The Lord has brought us into contact with another family here in Redmond, and they attended Bible study for the first time this week. Pray for them as they seek God's will concerning a church home. They profess salvation in Christ and are looking for a church home in Redmond. We continue discipleship with David, and he is receiving the truth well. Please pray for his wife, son, and immediate family as all are still in need of Christ. While we were sick, we held a time for worship and preaching within our home for our family, and God worked in the hearts of both Noah and Elsie as we emphasized the Gospel and the New Birth in our preaching. Before we became ill, our paths crossed with several JW's and Mormons the first of the month at different times and locations—all of which refused to receive our literature when we engaged them with the gospel. So many are so blinded by false religion! Pray for God's power to awaken the lost!

We have been preparing doctrinal and organizational documents for the church during these days of winter (and sickness for us). We are also at work getting materials designed for EDDM mail outs in January. We hope to have everything in place and prepared for door to door distribution of John & Romans, gospel tracts, and invitations beginning in February if weather permits. There is much work to do, and we are praying, and we ask you to commit yourselves to prayer for God's work to be done in the hearts and homes of sinners and saints alike here in Central Oregon. There is such a need for salvation and sanctification all around us, and there is always room for spiritual growth in our own lives as well. The work will only proceed if we pray!

**Our Requests:** Please pray for the following requests – and Thank You.

- for the salvation of sinners and sanctification of saints.
- for David and his family • for Joe and his family • for Dan & Deanna (our neighbors)
  - for the Lord to grow the mid-week Bible study.
  - for the Lord to oversee the sale of our RV and the purchase of a 4 wheel drive vehicle that will carry our whole family.

**Our Rejoicing:** We rejoice in the virgin birth, death, burial, resurrection and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Glory to His Name! **We want to say Thank You to every church and individual who has sent in a little extra support as a gift during the closing days of the year.** It is an added blessing, and we are grateful. Let's all keep pressing on and "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith..." (Heb. 12:2). God bless you all and Godspeed in these last days!

Because He first loved us,  
The Cooleys (Rev. 22:21)