## To our Beloved Brethren in Christ,

August 2024

**OUR REPORT:** The month of August was a very busy month for our family and ministry. We ended July and began August working in a gospel tent/booth in the Deschutes County Fair alongside Victory BC of Bend, OR. The fair ministry went well and much seed was sown—please help us in prayer over the seeds sown in hearts young and old. It was a special blessing to see children come under the tent to color sheets pertaining to Bible accounts and listen as someone shared the gospel with them, as we stood at our post on the adult side. Many adults received gospel tracts and many rejected them—please pray for these souls. We did have one lady reach out to let us know that she trusted the Lord Jesus as her Savior. Thus far though, our contact has not yielded much response from her—please pray for Ms. B.

It seems this month has been filled with sickness for both our family and church family here in OR. The Lord has helped us through 2+ weeks of viruses which had the girls down, and we are thankful for the Lord's mercies upon us. I (Ben) had some eye problems, but this has also subsided. The daughter of one of our ladies in the church, fell and broke her leg in multiple places—please pray for Ms. R. The aunt of another of our ladies is severely ill and in the hospital on a ventilator—please pray for Ms. J.

The Brookdale ministry continues, but not without some difficulties due to a new, and very unstable patient. Please pray for Tina, as she is very angry, and tried to assault a nurse with a pair of scissors; Tina is a "Jehovah's Witness" member and needs to be saved. We were able to reach out to some more homeless people and give out food/water to 5 individuals, and Bibles/booklets to 4 of these as one man became angry and very insistent about his desire to burn the Scriptures. Needless to say, we did not leave him a Bible. We have been reaching out in the town of Madras, and have carried the gospel to around 600 more homes. Please be in prayer for the seed which is being sown there. The Lord also blessed us with first-time visitors from here in Redmond named John and Tessa—please pray for their souls (the gospel was preached unto them). We were blessed to have out of state visitors every week this month between family, the Wahnons, and Pastor Wagner from Cowpens, SC. Each week someone new was putting their hand to the work here in Central Oregon, and we are grateful for all the help and encouragement each one was.

OUR REQUESTS: "Brethren, pray for us." (1 Th. 5:25). Please PRAY...

- For the Lord's will to be done in all things, and for us to have a closer walk with our Lord and Savior.
- For the salvation of John, Tessa, Tina, Mr. B, Mr. F, and for the little ones to whom we minister.
- For people's hearts to be opened like Lydia's in Acts 16:14.
- For the demonstration of the Spirit and of power according to 1 Corinthians 2:1-5.

**OUR REJOICING:** 2 Corinthians 13:14 says, "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen." This verse enumerates our rejoicing and is our prayer for you this month. Thank you for your fervent prayers for our family and for your faithful support. It is a joy to be your servants for Jesus' sake. To God be all the glory! To God always be the glory! **- The Cooleys**