

Reaching small towns in South Dakota



# the Beaudoin Family



And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth. Mark 1:38

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Dear Praying Friends,

As we come to the end of 2024 let me say "thank you" for all that you have done for our ministry this year. It is with the help of your prayers and support we have been able to continue the ministry here in South Dakota.

Our fall ministry got off to a very rocky start. My 2006 Toyota Sienna finally broke down on me, and with 413,000+ miles, we decided it was time to replace it. Thankfully, we had already been saving up money for this need and were able to put a sizable down payment on a 2020 Honda Odyssey with less than 100,000 miles.

The week after I got my van, Rachel was driving with Leah, Stephen, and Timothy when her car, which she had gotten just six weeks prior, was totaled. A driver did not stop at a red light and hit them causing the vehicle to tip over on its side. There were several people who witnessed the accident and quickly came to their aid to get them out of the vehicle. They had to get them out through the back hatch. I got to the scene about 30 minutes after the accident and was able to load them all up in the van and take them to the emergency room for evaluations as recommended by our insurance company. Timothy, our 5-year-old, had no issues as he was buckled in his car seat. Stephen and Rachel were sore and had some minor bumps and bruises. Leah, who endured most of the impact, suffered a concussion and a bulging disc in her neck. For Leah, there has been some back and forth to the doctors plus a couple of months of rest. She has finally recovered to the point where she has gotten back to her normal routine but is still experiencing some issues because of the accident.

Due to Leah's recovery length and the necessity of me staying close to home while she recovered, I had to slim down on my plans for the fall. I was able to continue the Bible study in Presho and scout out some more towns for the spring and summer. I have narrowed these towns to a small list of potential places for Bible studies and tent meetings.

I have continued to fill in twice a month at the First Baptist Church in Clark. The church has been without a pastor since 2021. They recently mentioned that there is a chance that they may need to close the church. They currently run about 6 people on a Sunday morning and a total membership of 13. There is good potential in the town. Please pray that this church can find a pastor.

As with my last letter, we are still praying for some churches that would be interested in bringing a group to help during a tent revival in the summer. With my older kids moving onto college and following God's calling for them, my team from just a couple of years ago has diminished. If you might be interested in this, please give me a call or send me a text so that we can begin the planning process.

Please continue to pray for us and the people we minister to in South Dakota. We look forward to seeing how God will use us in South Dakota in the coming year.

In Christ

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