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CHURCH PLANTING MISSIONARIES TO UTAH AND THE SOUTHWEST

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Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

Philippians 1:3-5, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now."

Carter

# What's Happened:

We kicked the month of May off traveling up to Salt Lake City to attend the revival meeting at Anchor Baptist Church. It was great to meet some other faithful servants in the state that we haven't had the opportunity to get to know yet. What a blessing to be able to see God's faithfulness as they were celebrating 65 years of ministry!

We were honored to host two interns during May and June. The first, Bro. Garrett Clemons of Somerville Baptist Church, had just finished his freshman year of Bible college and came to spend a week with us. He and I were able to knock doors here in St. George and in Mesquite. The second to come out was Bro. Walker Froman. Walker is out of Trinity Baptist in Big Spring, TX, and has just completed his sophomore year at WCBC. Walker was a tremendous help to us for the five weeks he was here. It worked out that he was able to be here to cover for me while I went back to Georgia to help get things in order for my mom in June. (For those who don't know, my mom was diagnosed with terminal cancer throughout her body and only has less than six months left according to the doctors).

We had a potential church planting family come out in May as well. They came out to go with us to Vision Week at Mt. Logan Baptist Church, where Bro. Nathan Kirkman is the pastor. Walker and the other family both testified that the Lord worked in their hearts during that meeting. We are always grateful for the hard work that goes into Vision Week, and it's always a blessing when we can be there.

We began June by attending the Southwest Church Planters Conference in Phoenix, AZ. I was honored to be invited so that we could raise some much-needed money for upcoming outreach projects. We left Phoenix and immediately flew to Georgia. We came in so that I had the opportunity to at least see my mom one more time but also help get her medical things situated. Since our visit, she has elected to go on hospice care. She is tired of the pain and does not want to endure the treatments any longer.

For the past few months, we have had a young man attending the church and playing piano for us. He recently graduated Bible college and was going to be here for a short time until moving to Phoenix, where his fiancé lives. We are very grateful for the time we had with him. He was a great help to us with the music, but even more with helping Carter learn piano. With his help, Carter has progressed very much in his ability to play, and he was even able to play his first congregational the Sunday after Andy had left.

### Praises:

- 1. Carter is learning piano very quickly and loves playing!
- 2. A family that we try to invest in has been coming to church more often.
- 3. A family from NC has surrendered their lives to start churches in Nevada!

For Souls,

Richard L. Howard

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### Prayer Requests:

- 1. Rickey's mom: She is home on hospice care; she only wants the pain controlled.
- 2. That we can reach the young people around us.
- 3. We need to raise some money for a mailout; printing and postage combined is around \$8,000 (we were able to raise a little of this in Phoenix, about \$5,000 more needed)
- 4. Would you help us pray that we can raise some additional monthly support?

