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Hello Family and Friends,

It has been a while since our last newsletter. We have been staying busy. **Thank you for all your prayers and generous giving.** Because of you we have been able to finish out our time as chaplains in the Rio Grande Valley and Mission Bell Resort for this year. Thankfully they have invited us back for next season.

The park fills up with Winter Texans from all over the mid west during the Winter. Most are there from November to the end of March. Our little church of 40-50 consisted of people from many different states, different denominations and different ideas of who God is. We felt like this season was one for building



relationships. People receive truth better when they know you care about them.

It was a growing time for Wayne as he had to bring a message every week. He became more relaxed as the year went on and brought some really good messages. It was interesting working under the church board as they had their ideas of how things should be done. We submitted to them & did things their way but still was able to speak truths.

We are praying for a move of the Holy Spirit and revival!!





Wayne participated in some of the weekly music jams. He usually played Gospel songs or some old country songs with a good message, not those "who cheated on who" kind. Doing this gets us out in the public to meet people and be able to show Christ's love. He also played with a group of the other chaplains from Christian Resort Ministries doing fundraising concerts for Mexico missions. They named themselves the "Whosoevers". Like in Romans 10:13 "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved."



Making mattresses for the homeless

Things we did while in the Rio Grande Valley



Distributing food at Helping Hands Ministry



Preaching the Gospel

There are so many activities to get involved in. Part of Christian Resort Ministries' vision, (who we worked under) is to go in and **do life in these communities.** You need to be there and able to pray with and for people who are sick or suffering in some way. Wayne got to do hospital visits and pray for some of the residents. We comforted those who lost loved ones. I usually prayed with people as the need arose. I started a church prayer chain that we are still using during the summer.

I have to admit we get to do some fun stuff too. Many of the residents get together to play cards, Bingo, card elimination, Bunko, parties, a parade and other activities. They have weekly dances as Mission Bell has the biggest floating dance floor in the valley. Wayne and I have danced more together this past winter than all the 34 years we have been married. It is not like going to a bar, its more like a family reunion. We feel like Jesus said to go be with the sinners, so you can have influence. We are careful what we participate in.

We started offering Andrew Wommack's Bible Study "Effortless Change". It was the same study we were doing by zoom. At the park we had 8 starting out but lost a few because they headed home before we did. We had 2 who were faithful to attend the Zoom study. We are actually just finishing it up, the 18 week study.

Search for Jesus, a different way to go into all the world

I continue to work with the BGEA and Search for Jesus. I spend the minimum of 2 hours a week chatting on line with people from all over the country and the world. If it says other, it could be someone I chat with repeatedly or it could be what they call a troll. A troll is someone who is just there to be rude and distract you from your mission. A few of them say we don't know what we are talking about because we can't read the original language. I just share scripture and tell them Jesus loves and died for them, until they get too vulgar, then I cut them off. There are a lot of hurting people in the world. I have chatted with people from Africa, England and different parts of the world.

My Chat Results

- 9 SALVATIONS
- 11 REDEDICATION
- 14 GOSPEL PRESENTATION
- 234 SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION
- 112 OTHER
- 13 LANGUAGE BARRIER

So What is Next?

We have joined Campers for Christ. Our first rally was May 9-13. It was at Canyon Lake not far from home. It is an organization where Christians gather at different camp grounds to worship and encourage one another. There were folks from different parts of Texas that attended.





Wayne was able to lead worship for two mornings and I got to bring a message. It was a wonderful experience. We got to fellowship and share testimonies.

We feel like the Lord is leading us to do more of this. It is a great way to share Christ with the people around the nation. We believe Wayne's music will be a great draw sitting around a campfire. We pray the Holy Spirit will draw the unsaved campers to us so we can share the Gospel with them. We purchased the above banner shown in the second photo. We will use it to put out at our sites as we move east.

The next rally is July 25-28 at Cypress Ridge Campground at Lake Belton, Texas. Wayne and I are both planning to bring a message. I am sure Wayne will lead worship a few times. Join us if you like. Call me for more information, 210-393-1756.

Once that rally is over we will head East. We will spend about 3 days at each campground and then move on. We will work our way over to North Carolina where the International Rally is in Mayberry. It will be held August 24-28. In between we will spend sometime in or near Virginia. Once the International Rally is over we will head to Grapeland for the 2022 Central Regional Rally at Salmon Lake Park. Have house will travel. We know gas is expensive but are trusting God to supply!

Spain Update!

We prayed about going back to Spain since the Covid restrictions have been lifted. I spoke to our contact in Spain and he said the summer is not the best time to come. It is tourist season and things are much more expensive and some of the ministries shut down. We have not given up on the dream yet, just waiting for God's timing.

God Can Change Things in a Moment!

As I was writing the other part of this newsletter, I was thinking how much my desire to go to Spain was still so strong. Yet we had made a commitment to the chaplaincy at Mission Bell Resort. I was feeling stuck. I was asking the Lord how we could change things and still keep our word. Soon after I printed the big part of the newsletter we got a call from the Manager of CRMI. He said that the people at Mission Bell had changed their minds and decided they wanted a more experienced Pastor.

You would think we would be upset but actually we were relieved. They offered us a different park in the Rio Grande Valley but it just didn't seem to be what God wanted. Mission Bell was a great experience but it was just a filler until things in Spain opened back up. It was a skill building time but it was not where we felt called to long term, just more preparation time.

I remember back when we were praying about going to Spain in the first place and the Lord gave me that scripture in Isaiah 46:11 that was so encouraging.

¹¹ Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, <u>I have spoken it</u>, <u>I will also bring it to pass</u>; <u>I have purposed it</u>, <u>I will also do it</u>.

I immediately started looking up what the exchange rate for US dollars to Euros. It is the best I have seen. As of me writing this, 1 Euro = \$1.04. Our first trip, the rate was a 1 Euro to \$1.26. That is a big difference. The rates for apartments are around \$500 a month so that is doable, even better than here. The plane ticket is a little over \$1000 depending on when and where we fly. We can use the Delta voucher for \$189 we have because of the change in our trip to Chiapas. The thing that might be the issue is the car. They want almost \$2000.00 a month for a car. We would like to do what we did while in Germany and buy a used car and then sell it when we leave. Please be praying God will supply a car. We have friends in Spain looking for us.

Also we will be looking into the long term visa again. It has many requirements that need to be met, including the health insurance. Unfortunately I have gained back some of the weight I had lost before Covid. Please pray God gives me the grace to lose again. We were almost ready to go when Covid hit. We will have to do all the paperwork again. Thankfully we have saved the funds you guys donated. We still have the year's income that is needed up front.

Right now the goal is to do Campers for Christ over the summer and Spain in the fall at least for 3 months if not long term. Depends on the Visa. Praise God!!!!

Making Disciples

Thank you again for all your prayers and giving. We know God will richly bless you for your obedience!

I don't know if you remember Lazaro that we met on our trip to Kenya about 5 years back. He was having trouble in his marriage and we helped counsel him. He said it totally changed his marriage. Also his son, Zach, pictured here, couldn't walk until he was almost three. We kept praying for him and sharing healing scriptures with him and now Zach is just fine. Praise the Lord!!!



Laz calls himself our African son. He has been able to start preaching in his home church and in the area. He often uses messages I give him in his teachings. I feel like he is truly one of our disciples. He is praying for funds to attend a local Rhema Bible College. He checked on the Charis College in Nairobi but he likes the on site teaching in Swahili.

You all made it possible for us to touch his life and continue to disciple him. What a blessing. We are still touching Africa even though we are far from there. Technology is amazing.

Blessings and much gratitude,

Wayne and Sandy McNair

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¹⁸ But all *these* things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ [making us acceptable to Him] and gave us the ministry of reconciliation [so that by our example we might bring others to Him], ¹⁹ that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting people's sins against them [but canceling them]. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation [that is, restoration to favor with God]. ²⁰ So we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making His appeal through us; we [as Christ's representatives] plead with you on behalf of Christ to be reconciled to God. ²¹ He made Christ who knew no sin to [judicially] be sin on our behalf, so that in Him we would become the righteousness of God [that is, we would be made acceptable to Him and placed in a right relationship with Him by His gracious lovingkindness].