

Update: July 2024

Dear Friends,

HOME

This month we had three meetings. On July 3rd, we had the privilege of presenting our ministry to the people of Calvary Baptist Church in Junction City, Kansas. The next day we began making our way to Hurdle Mills, NC where on Sunday July 7th, I had the privilege of preaching at Bible Baptist Tabernacle for their Missions Sunday. The next day we made the trek back home! On July 31st, I had the privilege of reporting to one of our supporting Churches in Alabama. It is always great to be with Bro. Shockley and the people of Shelton Beach Road Baptist Church. We truly appreciate the special gift they donated to help cover the EDDM we will send out in September, and their special time of prayer for our church plant. They have been a big part of what God has given us to do in Hoover, and a great encouragement to me and my family. After a little over thirteen months of being on the road full time it is great to finally settle back home. All along the way, the Lord has been so good to us. He has protected us, and provided for us. He has also allowed us to meet many wonderful brethren, and to minister in many local churches.

Throughout the course of our travels, we were able to see 46 states! God used deputation to grow our faith and to prove Himself more than able to care for our needs. We give Him all of the glory! When we set our support goal, we did not fully know what our expenses would be. As time passed it became clear that I had underestimated our need and we began to pray that God would give us 10% more than we had originally set. As of this time, God has given us 108% confirmed support in relation to our original goal. He certainly is able to do exceedingly more than we ask!

ORGANIZATION SERVICE

On Sunday July 21st, we had a sweet time with our sending church. In the evening service they voted that Hope Baptist Church would become autonomous and to install me as its Pastor. It was a precious thing to see Acts 1:8 being lived out in front of our very eyes. After the service we assembled over 4,000 gospel packets that we will begin distributing in Hoover on August 24th. We also appreciate the families/individuals who have been working on these packets at home. So far we have been able to assemble over 16,000 packets. It remains true that when the Church works, the Church works.

PASTOR'S LUNCHEON

We had the privilege of meeting for a Pastor's Luncheon in Hoover on Thursday July 25th. This luncheon was hosted by Bro. Jeremy Rowland and BCPM. The Purpose of this luncheon is to provide details to Pastors in our region, and to enlist their help in the planting of Hope Baptist Church. We appreciate the twelve churches represented at the luncheon and their interest in seeing another Church planted for the glory of God.

ALABAMA YOUTH CONGRESS

Every year our sending church, Gospel Light Baptist Church, hosts a meeting for young people called, Alabama Youth Congress. The goal of this meeting is to challenge young people with reaching our state with the gospel. If we do not have a burden for our own state, then who will? On Friday we had over 60 young people and adults help us distribute doorhangers in Hoover.

With their help we were able to hang over 2300 door-hangers in a little over one hour. We greatly appreciate their heart to help with this endeavor. Please pray that God will use these door-hangers to see souls saved and people added to our core group in Hoover.

GOSPEL SATURATION AND GET ACQUAINTED MEETINGS

We are currently working to complete the assembling of 30,000 packets which we will begin to hang on individual doors later in August. This is a great undertaking and we are praying that God would send laborers to help us get these packets out. In order to accomplish this goal we will be hosting several Gospel Days as we work to evangelize Hoover in the 6 weeks leading up to our Grand Opening. We would love to have you and your church as a part of this great work! Our Gospel Days will be held on the following dates: August 24, 31 and September 7, 14, 21, 28. Please pray that God would use these special days to bring souls to Him and to build His church in Hoover. If you would be interested in attending one of our Gospel Days, please let us know.

We appreciate all the prayers and support that has been given to our family and to the work in Hoover. God has used many people to help us in accomplishing what He has put into our hearts to do, and we are grateful for it. May the Lord bless you all!

For HIS Glory

**The Brown Family
(Austin, Jessica, Abigail Andrew, Jackson, and Joseph)**

Prayer Requests

- Please pray specifically that the Lord would allow us in the coming weeks, to lead souls to a saving knowledge of Christ and to be able to disciple them in a one on one setting.
- Please pray that God would send us who we need in the core group of this church plant. He knows and we are trusting Him in it.
- Please pray that God would give us the strength, and fellow laborers needed to hang the 30,000 packets leading up to our Grand Opening.

Praises

- Support raised!
- Safety on deputation and our van making it without major repairs needed!
- Those who helped us pass over 3,500 door-hangers during our Hope Campaign!
- GLBC voting to organize Hope Baptist Church and assisting in assembling the gospel packets!
- The Pastors who came out to the luncheon and others who are planning to help with the Gospel Saturation!