

"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and <u>reaching forth unto those things which are before</u>," Philippians 3:13.

Dear Prayer Partners,

Gail and I greet you in our Savior's wonderful name, the Lord Jesus Christ! We trust each of you have immensely enjoyed the Christmas holiday season. We are hopeful for each of you also enjoyed welcoming the New Year in.

We never wish to forget your faithfulness in prayers, support and gifts along the way. Thank you for caring, sharing and praying for us. Thank you for allowing us the wonderful privilege to carry and share God's word. This past year has been a wonderful one for Gail and me. At our age He continues to strengthen, enable and empower us with His grace.

In the month of December, Gail and I took part in a two-day meeting in our local jail. There were 32 gentleman and ladies present to take part in this soul winning effort. Altogether, in the two nights there were twenty-five making professions of faith. I enjoyed the privilege to witness and to preach. When witnessing I am always looking for that one man and woman who appears interested to listen. During our first evening service I used one man to give a testimony and another preacher to bring the message. During the invitation no one came forward, my heart was sadden. At the close we began to pass out literature for the believers and for the lost. As I was passing out literature I spoke with one individual and asked if he was saved. His response was no. I then asked why not? The Lord was so gracious to open the door for me, for the man said, "No, no I am not saved." In just a few short moments our Lord's Spirit done his work and brought this man to Christ. I still stand amazed at the work and call of God in a sinner's life to repentance and faith in Christ. He was lost but now saved and forgiven. Glory!

As we close out 2023 Gail and I have had 43 souls to be saved. In my S C Blitz there was a total of 212 professions of faith. Four of those Gail and I were able to lead to Christ. Thank you for giving us this wonderful privilege.

Let us not forget to pray for one another. When God's people pray it always makes a difference. We have and will continue to remember you in our prayers.

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