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Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

January 2024

Joshua 13:1, "Now Joshua was old and stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

One thing that we must keep in mind is that there's still a lot of work to be done. We must never let ourselves become complacent or content with our progress. There are still people all around us, and around the world, who need to hear the Gospel message!

2023 Breakdown:

I can't believe we are already in 2024! This past year has gone by so fast, yet so much has happened. We started Solid Rock Baptist Church on January 29, 2023. We had the opportunity to host three mission trips and had several preachers come out to visit. We are very thankful for every person who took the time to come out to visit us and to see the work going on here. Everyone has been a tremendous blessing to us, either by helping or just coming to spend time with us. The Lord has allowed us to take some steps forward as a church this year. We were able to have a Missions Day, set up a missions account, and take on our first missionary. We have seen people saved, families have been helped, and people have made life changing decisions through the preaching of the Word of God. The Lord has given us open doors to counsel, disciple, and to just be there for several people. We also started an outreach program, and it has been very well attended. We have been able to tag a lot of doors with the help of our church family. We've had a couple of mail out campaigns where we were able to send out a total of 20,000 postcard invites. Altogether, as I look back on this past year, I am excited about what the Lord has allowed us to do.

I am very enthusiastic about the coming year. On January 7, we had our first "vision service." I had the opportunity to set forth a vision for the church for the coming year, and the men of the church have already said they are behind me!

Looking Into 2024:

Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring, TX has gifted us a 15-passenger van! I will be flying into Midland, TX on January 19 to pick it up and drive it back to St. George. We are very excited and praying that we can fill this van with children quickly. The last week of January (28-31) we will be celebrating our one-year anniversary at Solid Rock Baptist Church with our first Revival/Gospel Meeting. My Pastor, Kyle Coker, will be coming out to preach for us. He will also be bringing a young couple who is praying about church planting in the West.

Praises:

- 1. We praise the Lord for a great first year!
- 2. We are currently in discipleship or counseling with 3 individuals.
- 3. Two young people recently called on the Lord to save them at home!

For Souls,
Richard L. Howard
The Howard Family
Jude 22

Prayer Requests:

- 1. Our Anniversary Revival Meeting
- 2. Our outreach program to grow in this next year
- 3. Discipleship/counseling

