

# Ministry Update

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#### **GIVING THANKS**



Eph. 5:20 "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." This year has been full

of adventure and blessing. We had to cancel our first meeting because we both came down with the Coronavirus. We traveled to the West Coast and back this year. We had two mission trips cancel due to Covid 19. We also had several unexpected vehicle repairs. We are thankful to God for His **Provision** of our needs, His **Protection** as we traveled, His **Presence** in times of difficulty and for His **Power** that strengthened us to minister even when we did not feel well. We are especially thankful for His **Pardon** in saving souls this year, and finally, for His **People**, like you, who have supported us with prayer and financial support.

## WHERE DID IT GO?

Psalm 51:15 "O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise." A few weeks ago, I awoke on Sunday morning to find that I barely had a voice. I started coming down

with a cold on Saturday while we were traveling between meetings. I don't get colds often and when I do, they almost never affect my voice. However, this cold went straight for my vocal chords and caused a severe case of Laryngitis. The pastor preached the Sunday School hour. I managed to croak out the Sunday morning message. By Sunday evening, I had no voice at all, but I preached



anyway with a microphone held to my mouth. Thankfully, a chalk drawing was scheduled for that night, so I only had to use my voice to preach, once again with a microphone to my mouth. There was no change Monday night so I did another chalk drawing in lieu of the normal puppets. I told the Lord that, like the little boy at the feeding of five thousand, I did not have much to offer, but all I had was His to use! On Tuesday night I did another chalk drawing. I began preaching with very little voice. As I went on, my voice began to return and by the end of the message, I

had about half of it back. It swiftly disappeared again after the service was over, but praise God for the provision to preach! By Wednesday night (the final service), my voice had mostly returned and I was able to do the puppets as well as preach. This was the first time in forty years of ministry that I lost my voice entirely for nearly the whole meeting. Cheryl was experiencing difficulty with her voice too, so it was also the only meeting in forty years in which we did no vocal specials! Thankfully, we were able to do piano and brass duets. I am glad that the people who attended the meetings were gracious enough to put up with my voice. Everyone was praying for me and God's grace to preach was evident. We praise the Lord for the decisions that were made among the believers and for the souls that were saved in the services!

#### **ITINERARY**

Nov. 28-Dec. 2- (S-W)— Forward for Christ Bapt. Ch., Luray, VA Jan. 9-12 –(S-W)— First Emmanuel Bapt. Ch., Summerville, SC Feb. 6-9 – (S-W) — Peace Baptist Church, Wilmington, NC Feb. 20-23 – (S-W) — Grace Baptist Church, Newport, NC Feb. 27-Mar. 4 — Calvary Baptist Church, New Bern, NC

## **OPEN DATES**

<u>2022</u>

Jan. 16-21, Jan. 23-28, Jan. 30-Feb. 4 – NC, SC, GA, AL

Feb. 13-18 - NC

Apr. 24-29 - Eastern PA. NJ

May 15-20, May 22-27 - western PA, OH, IN

July 10-15 - IL

Sept. 25-30, Oct. 2-7, Oct. 9-14 - IL, IN, MI, OH, western PA

Please contact us now if you are interested a meeting.

### <u>PLEASE PRAY FOR:</u>

- Wisdom in future scheduling.
- Recovery from colds and return of good health.
- Rest and recharge from now until our 2022 meetings.

Yours for Souls,

Barry and Cheryl Webb