



THE Kennard FAMILY

Sept/Oct 2024

Dear Praying Friends,

Psalm 34:3, "O magnify the LORD with me and let us exalt his name together."

We look forward to sharing this update as we look back on the past two months. To begin with, in the month of September we celebrated Cottonwood's 5-year anniversary. On our anniversary Sunday, we were able to host two missionary families. One of the families that came, we already have the privilege of supporting. They were back on a short furlough and were able to be with us that Sunday. The other family is a young family on deputation that we are praying about supporting in the future. This day was full of encouragement to our people as they are learning the value and need of supporting missions.

October proved to be a busy month for our church. First, we had to say goodbye to a couple of our attendees who moved due to new job opportunities. One of them, was our most faithful church pianist leaving a gap in our music ministry and we ask that you pray with us as we seek the Lord's help in filling this need. Also, we had our fall men's and ladies meeting. This always opens up good conversation for spiritual growth opportunities. We received reports from both groups that this was a much-needed time of fellowship and connection. Lastly in October, we had an outreach event in which we were able to reach approximately 200 people directly with the gospel message. We were excited for this opportunity and pray for all those who received the gospel.

Sadly, one of our church members has been in the hospital for over a month now. His wife has not left his side (in April they will be married 50 years). This couple, Dale and Benita, have taken the opportunity to witness on multiple occasions to various members of the nursing staff. While this has been a very trying time for this family it has been an encouragement for us to see their resilience despite the difficult circumstances they are facing as well as their determination to share the gospel. Please pray for this family as they continue to move forward with his health challenges.

Our family is doing well overall. Please pray for Clayton and Sierra as they each have a friend they have been faithfully witnessing to. Each time they have had opportunity to witness they have noticed Satan distracting the conversation. We are praying for the salvation of these two friends, Macaylah and Lemonte, as God continues to work in their hearts. As always, we thank you for your continued prayers and support!

Sincerely,

ANDREW, CARRIE, CLAYTON, & SIERRA KENNARD