

Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Supporters,

May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

We just recently sent out a quarterly prayer letter asking everyone to pray for us as well as clear direction in regards to a possible missionary work Church replant in St. Elmo, Illinois.

Heartland Baptist Church unanimously voted me in as Pastor of this work this past Sunday. We rejoice in what the Lord has already done in the hearts of His people over these past few months. We praise the Lord in how He chooses to use us for His work.

Over the past month we have started soul-winning visitation on Saturdays and what few we have faithfully coming have come to these meetings or been in prayer for us during the time we were on the streets trying to reach people with the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Heartland has been without a Pastor for 3 ½ years. This Church is literally on the verge of closing their doors unless the Lord does something miraculous. I was reminded this past week that we often speak in generalities and should share specific needs.

We would appreciate all prayers for this work and that the gospel would not only reach St. Elmo but the surrounding communities as well. Please be in prayer as we want to see the couple of children that the Lord has entrusted us with grow in Him. We desire to see them go to Christian camp this summer. Please be in prayer as the Church has a bus. It has not run since before Covid. However this would make a wonderful way to pick up precious souls for the services of Heartland Baptist Church. Please be in prayer for our financial support and that we would be able to pick up a few more supporters to help us as well as this Church replant work.

Please be in prayer for teachers as we need them for Sunday School as the Lord brings in new people. There is a true excitement at Heartland Baptist Church. We want to thank each of you for your faithfulness in this work the Lord has brought us to. God bless each of you.

Your Missionaries to the Wabash Valley,

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