

On the Wings of Prayer

“Because thou hast been my help, therefore in
the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice:”
Psalm 63:7

For This Cause I (Your Name Here)

It is difficult to get excited about life until you find a cause. Something that is greater than you. Something that captivates and motivates you. Something that you will live for and even die for. When I was a young man, I found that cause - Church Planting Missions. Now that I am older, I still believe there is not a more worthwhile cause to give my life to. In Ephesians 2:20–22, the Apostle Paul is telling us of a great mystery that is revealed in Christ Jesus. People of all nations, languages, and backgrounds are being Saved by the Gospel of Christ and are built together for a habitation of God. It is an Eternal building that will never end. Being saved by believing the Gospel of Christ is the greatest thing that can happen in a person’s life. The New Birth is exactly that, a beginning. It is the beginning of an eternal life with God. Each believer has a purpose and a place in God’s building.

²⁰ And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; ²¹ In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: ²² In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit. ^{3:1} For this cause I Paul,.... Then it is notable that Paul was so excited about this subject that he continues with a run on sentence. We must read down to verse seven to see how he will finish this statement. *¹ For this cause I Paul... ⁷ was made a minister.*

Now I ask you to read that phrase again and insert your name in the place of Paul’s. For This Cause I (Your Name Here). Have you found something that gets you so excited that you expound into a run on sentence? Is it an Eternal Cause? How will your sentence end?

John Peeples, IBFI Mission Director
Psalm 16:11

***Jeremy & Joneia Bennett (Brazil)** report deputation is going well with opportunities to present their ministry and preach God’s Word. The Bennett’s request prayer of reaching their support goal by December 2022 and obtaining their Brazilian documents needed to enter Brazil.

***Tyler Yates (Mexico)** has begun deputation. Please pray that Bro. Tyler will have many opportunities to present his ministry to many churches and raise his needed support quickly.

***Leslie & Alba Priday (Honduras)** request your prayers for Alba’s health. She is undergoing Chemotherapy. Bro. Leslie is preaching via Zoom to his congregation in Honduras on Sunday evenings.

***Chad & Tara Fitts (Church Planters—Northlake, TX)** request prayer concerning a permanent place to hold church services. Bro. Chad reports an average attendance of 30. The new congregation began this past May. Please be in prayer about their needed financial support.

***True & Diana Hawkins (Brazil)** are assisting several churches with their construction projects and supplying Bible Institute curriculum. The Bible Institute in Manaus have 20 students this semester. The city wide youth meeting was well attended with 88 present. The conference held at the Bible Institute for church leaders had 110 registered participants.

***J.D. & Vanessa Young (Honduras)** request prayer for some minor health problems Vanessa is getting treatment for. Also, please pray for God's direction on where the Young's should begin a new church plant.

***Scott & Darla Griffin (Homeless No More)** report the Lord has provided a new AC unit for the church auditorium. Also, the Griffin's were able to purchase a newer van for their ministry needs. The Griffin's report 17 coming to Christ during the last few months. During the summer, the church reached 50 in attendance!

***Harold & Lena Priday (Honduras)** rejoice in how God has provided for the new building for the Iglesia Bautista Gracia.

***Mark & Tricia Haynes (Navajo Nation)** report VBS average attendance at Ganado Baptist Church was 86 with 10 saved. During the Navajo Nation Cowboy Revival, around 10 souls came to Christ. There were 132 campers in attendance at youth camp with 9 coming to Christ and three young men surrendering to preach God's Word. Ganado Baptist Bible College has 23 students currently.

***Bill & Sharon Smith (Brazil)** report the church in Caracarai's new building construction is progressing well. The Smith's have been in the States for a short furlough. They will return to Brazil in November.

***Breze & Chantal Serugamba (Malawi)** are in preparing for an upcoming trip to Malawi in April 2023. Please pray for wisdom as the Serugamba family reach people for Christ in Malawi.

***Heath & Caryssa Van Zandt (Church Planter-Rhyme)** report the blessing of leading a lady to the Lord on door-to-door visitation. Bro. Heath is also serving as the chaplain for the Rhyme Police Dept. The Van Zandt's request prayer for both their children who have health challenges with their Cystic Fibrosis.

***John & Neila Yelle (Brazil)** report that recently they led three Brazilians to Christ. There was good attendance at the one day youth retreat at the church. Bro. John is training two men for the ministry from their church. Please continue to pray for the Yelle's ministry as they train and disciple Brazilians to serve Christ.

***Antioch Church Planters (Doty's, Luman's, Roa's)** report they are assisting/ministering at Arise Baptist Church in Northlake, TX and Antioch Baptist Church in Rhyme, TX. The ABCP are also assisting at Rockwall Baptist Church who is currently without a pastor.

***Daniel & Michelle Jones (Rio Grande Valley/Mexico)** report the Bethesda Fundamental Baptist Church in Monterrey celebrated their 31st anniversary. There were 396 in attendance for the celebration. The Jones' began this church and it continues to grow and bear much fruit. The Vacation Bible School was well attended with a high attendance of 136 with 10 souls coming to Christ!

***Melissa Houston (Rio Grande Valley)** lead the Vacation Bible School program at the Bethesda Fundamental Baptist Church in McAllen, TX. A group from Worth Baptist Church came and were a big help with Vacation Bible School. Melissa had a team of workers that helped and prepared the decorations for VBS.

***Larry & Regina McKinney (N.A. Indians)** report a mother and her daughter coming to Christ recently during a Sunday church service. The McKinney's report they had around 61 in attendance for Vacation Bible School.