

# Signs of the Times

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Dear Praying Partners,

Many miles have been put on my car this quarter, and I want to thank each of you for your prayers. God has kept me safe, and we have seen souls saved and churches encouraged. One church has increased our support! Here are some of the highlights.

In August, I went to the Reunion of Silent Men's Camp near Boone, NC. You can only imagine how thrilled I was to learn that the man who started and runs this annual event is one of the deaf men from one of our deaf ministries we started years ago at Freedom Baptist Church in Fayetteville, NC. Tan Lynn started attending all of our services. While there, he started dating his future bride. Now they have children and live in Winston-Salem where he heads the deaf department in his church. Praise the Lord for fruit that remains!

During the last week of August and into September, I was preaching in Salina, Kansas. A small church there wanted me to go there and help them, but informed me that they did not have money to cover expenses. I assured them that the reason I have supporters is so that I can be of help regardless of the financial condition of a church. One teenage girl in that church had been praying for her dad to get saved for many months. That first Sunday morning he showed up for church. I presented our work with the deaf and then preached. During the invitation, he walked the aisle to receive Christ. Praise the Lord for answered prayer and faithful supporters!

In October, we learned of a deaf ministry about an hour from our home. Phyllis, Ben and I visited the following Sunday morning. As it turned out, the interpreter for the deaf called in sick that morning. A deaf lady who runs the deaf ministry there started praying that God would help her know what to do. Then we showed up. Phyllis interpreted the music and I the preaching. What a blessing it is to be an answer to prayer! We did not realize until later that this church's services are televised! I am glad that we were unaware of this or we probably would have been nervous.

Please continue to pray for our family. Ben is not yet full time working for Lowes because of the economy being slow. Ashley was accepted into medical school at MUSC in Charleston. She will be starting in the fall and will need to find a safe place to live for the next few years.

Once again thank you for your prayers and financial support. The souls that were saved this quarter were because of your help.

In His service,

David Smith

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