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2013 C.P.A. Missionary Pastor's Retreat July 15-19

It has been a long, cold and snowy winter here in the Northeast. We are thankful for Spring with the sunshine and pleasant weather. With this delightful change we focus our attention on the 2013 C.P.A. Missionary Pastor's Retreat which will be held here at mission headquarters, July 15-19.

This will be a special time for everyone in C.P.A. It is a time to either be encouraged or to be an encourager to others. When everyone leaves the retreat we hope that they will have a renewed vision for the ministry God has called them to.

The planning for the retreat involves the program, the meals, the men who will be sharing God's Word, seminar sessions that will be helpful to each missionary and ministry, and important times of fellowship. There will be a variety of activities during the afternoon.

In order to be able to put it all together, we need many individuals and churches to pray for God's blessing and direction on the entire retreat. We, also, need people who will give a special gift to provide the funds for the retreat and travel for each family. Even though costs have risen, we are trusting God to

provide as He has, each year, since the mission began 17 yrs ago. Every year individuals and churches have generously given and God has met the need.

We have enclosed our "bright pink" letter asking for your help. As you give, you are investing in each of our missionaries and their ministries. Thank you for your help.



C.P.A. Missionary Family

FROM THE DIRECTOR



**TOM
BUCKLEY**

There are many things that take place within C.P.A. especially in the ministry of our mission churches. The greatest event that takes place is when someone comes to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. That's what it's all about. During these past few months a number of people have been saved. They range in age from a little child to a lady in her 80's. Apart from bringing people to Jesus Christ, the next most important part of church ministry is to help everyone, especially the new believers, to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord. In order to do this we need people who will pray for our missionaries and, as God enables, support them financially. To everyone who helps in these ways we say, "Thank you", on behalf of our C.P.A. mission family.

As you will read in the article on page 4, God has supplied the funds to completely pay for the new road to mission headquarters. Again, to all who helped we say, "Thank you".

Lately, I have heard and read about people saying the church is becoming irrelevant in our day. God has raised up Church Planters To America to establish Bible believing churches that are relevant. Praise God, with us, for what He has done and is doing to reach small town communities with the Gospel.

Pray for more missionary pastors, pray for souls to be saved, and pray for the churches that we are helping to become self-supporting. To all who labor with us, we say, "Thank you".

MISSION FAMILY NEWS

Below are some of the things that have taken place this winter within C.P.A. and the lives of our mission families. We are reminded that ministry is about people. Our missionaries need prayer as they minister to their people and for victories in their own lives. Thank you for praying for us. Together we are seeing God do great things.

. . . **TOM & CAROL BUCKLEY**, mission director, Almond, NY, are thankful for God's healing power and for safe travel throughout the winter. They thank God for many opportunities to preach God's Word and tell about the ministry of C.P.A. on their trip south in February. Pray for men to come into C.P.A. as missionary pastors.

Pray for safe travel to New England in May. . . **ROB & SUE ANDREAS**, missionary pastor, Olcott, NY, are happy for the outside wood furnace that heats the church. They burn wood and save over \$10,000 a year in fuel cost. Several people have been saved recently, each with a unique story. They had a great Adult Valentine Banquet, in February, with a Hawaiian theme. The men did everything; cooking, serving and cleaning up. Plans are under way for the fair ministry and VBS. . . **BILL & WINIFRED CHAPMAN**, missionary pastor, Norfolk, VA, are assisting the pastor of Little Creek Baptist Church. (see article below) Bill is feeling great, but there are concerns about his prostate cancer. Pray for full healing. .

. . . **STEVE & DEBBIE COCKERHAM**, missionary pastor, Groveland Station, NY, are thankful for new, young families coming to church. Pray that they will commit to be active and to desire church membership. Pray for several men that Steve is working with, that they will come to Christ. Pray for planning for summer ministries. . .

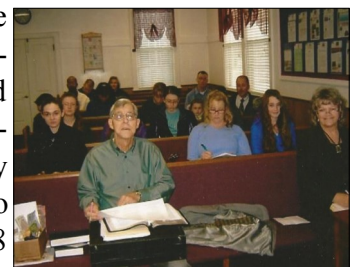
DON & NICOLE KING, missionary pastor, Denison Corners, NY, are thankful that winter is over and look forward to warmer weather. Pray for planning for V.B.S. this summer. Pray for new families who will be committed to Christ and the ministry. There were 4 people killed by a shooting in a nearby town in February. Pray for opportunities to witness to the unsaved. . .

MARK & SUE RUGGERIO, missionary pastor, St. John, ME, praise the Lord for help from a supporting church who came to help on a workday. Many activities were held at Christmas time for the young and old. There was a gingerbread creation and Christmas caroling as they went throughout the community on a decorated wagon. Pray for youngsters to be saved through the Released Time program and for plans for the Adventures in the Valley, VBS.

As always, remember the children of our missionaries and for souls to be saved. Thank you.

Bill Chapman Assisting Local Pastor

Bill and Winifred Chapman are assisting the pastor of Little Creek Baptist Church near Norfolk, VA. It is a small church in a populated area. Bill has held soul winning classes and taken people out on visitation evangelism. They have had as many as 13 people go home to house. He is holding a home Bible study with 8 or 9 attending. Through these and other efforts the church is growing. Winifred is his partner in these ministries.



Bill Chapman's Soul Winning Class

Review of Activities and Events

Contrary to what some people think, we do not hibernate during the winter here in the North. We just plan things that, for the most part, keep us in doors as much as possible. We did have two churches, St. John, ME and Groveland Station, NY, who took large groups of both young people and adults Christmas caroling on wagons pulled by tractors. Coffee and hot chocolate followed. Below, we have some photos of activities in recent months.



Sledding Across from Dennison Corners Community Church



Infant Dedication at Berean Bible Church



Carolers on Wagon in St. John, ME



Gingerbread Creation at St. John Bible Church



Adult Valentine Banquet, Olcott Bible Church



Men Split Wood at Olcott Bible Church



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It was at a meeting of the Board of Directors, in July, that the decision was made to pave the road that goes to the mission headquarters. The cost was \$39,000. We put together gifts and some money that had been saved for a needed project. We needed an additional \$21,000. These funds were loaned to us, at no interest, so we could complete the paving. We were trusting God to provide, through friends of C.P.A., the \$21,000, to pay back the loan. Approximately 100 individuals and/or churches gave gifts, large and small, that enabled us to completely pay for the road project in just 7 months.

Other than the yearly C.P.A. Missionary Pastor's Retreat, this is the first appeal we have made for funds in the 17 years C.P.A. has been in existence. To this we say, "TO GOD BE THE GLORY!"

We would like to thank everyone who gave a gift for the paving of the road. We made the right decision to move forward and trusted God to meet the need. God provided in a marvelous way. We asked you to help us and many of you did. We would like to thank those of you who sent notes of encouragement with your gifts. Together, let us thank God for His goodness. If you are ever in our area, stop for a visit and see what God has done.



New Road to Mission Headquarters Completed



John 4:14

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.



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