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HEADLINE NEWS: WHEN IT RAINS IT POURS !



The old saying headline above can be used for both negative (storms of life – from living in a sin-cursed world & bodies) type of things, and/or also for positive (showers of blessings) kinds of things that escalate to major levels. Our life this year has certainly experienced elements of both. On the one hand, from the passing of my (Michael's) dear youngest sister & sibling (Amy – last winter-Spring) and a beloved brother-in-law on Renae's side (Rolly), to a crazy roller coaster ride of health challenges, we have really been through the ringer (excuse all the mixed metaphors). My journey has taken me from my diabetes blood sugar spiking to near catastrophic levels, and iron levels tanking and giving me anemia and chronic exhaustion & fatigue, to discovering it was because of lymphatic cancer. Then when we started the chemo treatments in July my body went convulsively ballistic in reaction against one of the 4 chemo injections, and I ended up in the hospital recovering for 4 days. The oncologist Doctor figured out an alternative chemo replacement, which works fine, but then began the side effects (including vertigo & nausea & continuing fatigue). The worst of those is the bone pains that come from an injection every couple weeks to recover my white blood cells. It goes into my bone marrow to stimulate that, but also stimulates radiating pain. It also makes it hard to sleep, and thus I have continued chronic fatigue.

But hey, let's move on to the positive stuff, as these were & are just the Lord's blessings in disguise. As a result of Amy's deteriorating health condition, she opened up to a believing sister-in-law (in conjunction with our prayers & witness) on her last day of life and received the Lord & salvation and entered eternity that day - whew (HALLELUJAH!). Rolly was a rough & tumble unreligious kind of guy who also had a deteriorating health condition that softened him up to receive the Lord (through Renae's sis, along with our & other relative's prayers & witness) in his latter days as well – PTL!!!

Then there was my emergency hospital ordeal (actually a couple of them). Well, as you know from our previous newsletters prayer requests, we have an adult daughter of concern (and a Grandson from her) that we hardly ever get to see, though they live nearby. She is a nurse who works at the hospital I ended up at. In God's amazing grace that ordeal turned into such a blessing when Sarah showed up for a visit (after her shift) and so graciously helped us through it. A second time she brought our Grandson (Dominic) and we had a blast interacting with him. What a Divine blessing in disguise! We also learned that all the other nurses just love Sarah there. God is on the move in conjunction with our & your prayers!

Then there are the cancer treatments. Though still having to go through December, and "enjoy" the side-effects, nonetheless there has been great progress in shrinking & eliminating the cancer ahead of schedule. This certainly is a credit to the Doctors & meds, but even more so (in our estimation) to the hundreds of people we are aware of who have joined in the prayer campaign, and have moved the hand of God, our GREAT Physician, to act on our behalf. Thanks TONS to all you pray-ers!

Also, Renae has been a SUPER-DUPER care-giver, which has also been a great blessing! However, on the storms front, Renae recently had a yearly check up with a dermatologist (since she has had facial skin-cancer in the recent past). The exam revealed that this time much of her face is now covered with pre-cancer cells ready to erupt and do her in – YIKES! It is so pervasive that they could not just spot-burn them all off. So they put her on a chemo-cream treatment that has brought them all to the surface and should clear them all up & out within a couple months (though it looks & feels like a continual sun-burn). So now we have become "chemo-buddies" and can cry on each other's shoulders when the side-effects get too bad. PLEASE add her situation as well to the prayer battle for our health recovery!!!

Then also, with Renae needing to take time off from her part-time social-work (which is a monthly necessity for some of our budget-essentials) for my care-taking, and now her own, and with some BIG extra expenses related to this, which seemed to be a threatening storm on the horizon, we were wondering, and praying about how God was going to get us through this challenge now too! Well, GLORY to God, as we cried out to Him and let things be known through our recent newsletters, we are truly overwhelmed with amazement & gratefulness for what the Lord has done in moving so many to help us through this! We have received enough now to get us through the whole rest of the year's extra expenses (though we still need our regular monthly support to pay the regular bills). Also, I cried out to the Lord about how in the world could I take care of my lawn this summer & Fall (with my chronic exhaustion & dizziness & weakness). To my absolute amazement, out of the blue, a friend volunteered to take care of it all throughout the season, and he has! And we have never experienced more of a season of God's grace & goodness as we have through these trying times – THANK YOU LORD, as well as all you caring people of the Lord!!! When it rains (the Lord's grace-blessings) it pours, INDEED!

This was supposed to be a furlough year which normally would involve a lot of traveling and checking in with supporting Churches & friends. Instead it turned into a medical furlough year where we need to stay home and near our doctors. Nonetheless we still have tried to take some limited but ongoing opportunities to spread the Gospel around here, on behalf of the Lord,



and those of you who have been partnering with us in practical and/or prayer support of our missionary-evangelist calling. We have given out the Gospel in writing for over 7000+ people this year so far. Just little by little, day by day, week by week, month by month, and at special summer festivals, and events like a nearby Labor Day parade, and just where ever we go in the area (including numerous hospitals where we have had to do all kinds of various tests).

October grants us four different opportunities for extensive Gospel outreach. This includes a local Harvest Festival in our downtown, being sponsored by four area Churches. I get to have four special times for illustrating & proclaiming the Gospel during the day. Also, our town does a Halloween Parade, and two nearby towns have different Trick or Treating times, where we can easily give out a Treat & Truth (good Halloween Gospel Tracts) to hundreds of kids and youth (and their parents) in just a short amount of time. I wrote my own Halloween tract for adults explaining the history of the origins of Halloween. The name means the “Hallowed Evening” before all Saints Day, so it is quite appropriate to give out the Gospel that has the power to turn sinful people into saints. Also, as my tract points out, the medieval Church Holy Day was meant to replace the ancient “Day of the Dead” pagan festival, which traces all the way back to the biblical flood of Noah’s day when everyone in the world died, except Noah’s family, which ties biblically into the Gospel in several ways – **what an opportunity to counteract the darkness of modern Halloween with the Gospel light!**

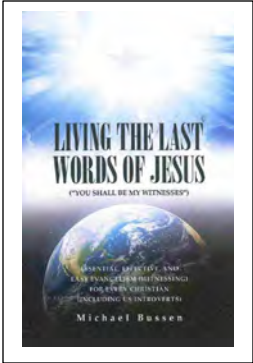
BTW - It is the 2nd Anniversary of the publishing of my book: “LIVING THE LAST WORDS OF JESUS,” and it is still available in paperback and eBook/Kindle download versions at:

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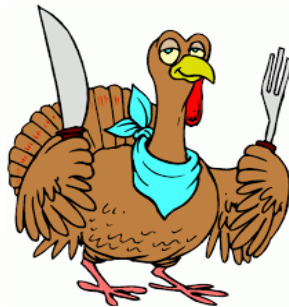
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**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!**



Perhaps the most important season of the year is this THANKSGIVING season! It really should always be in season, year-round, when it concerns giving the Lord all the gratitude He deserves.

Nonetheless in this special Thanksgiving season, between Canada’s in Oct., and the USA’s in Nov., we count you all twice, and are doubly thankful to the Lord, and to YOU, for the blessings you are to us, and to the Kingdom cause of King Jesus!!! Many Autumn blessings back your way we pray!!!



Still Going with the Gospel for the Lord,
and the lost, Mike & Renae



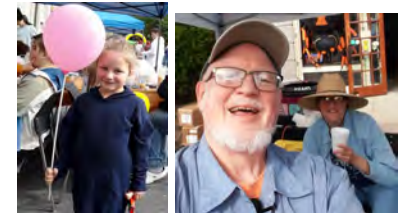
Laboring for the King & Kingdom at the Labor Day Parade



Local family checking out “THE REAL STORY OF JESUS” QR code video sticker (near our home), which we have put up in many public places where they can watch on their smart phones



Clowns for Christ @ our town’s (circus themed) Halloween parade – giving out treats and Gospel truths to hundreds of salvation needy folks



We worked with 5 local Churches to put on a Fall Harvest Festival in our downtown, where I got to do 4 Trickey-Mickey Gospel Shows for a whole bunch of kids & parents – PTL for a great day!

FOR THOSE WHOM GOD IS LEADING TO PARTNER WITH US IN HELPING US KEEP THE BILLS PAID, SO WE CAN KEEP GOING WITH OAC AND THE GOSPEL, THANK YOU SO MUCH - YOU ARE MUCH NEEDED & APPRECIATED!!
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