

October 31, 2022



Dear Supporting Churches and Praying Friends,

The work of the Lord continues in Medford as we strive to faithfully carry out the Great Commission in this area. I am so thankful that the Lord allowed us to be involved in this church-plant ministry. We have learned much in this last year about the Scriptures, about trusting the Lord, and about perseverance. I preached last night from Matthew 16:18 about how the Lord Jesus promised to build (edify) His church. He uses us, but He is the One who builds the church. Whatever good comes is because of Him. Praise the Lord!

**Evangelism**—We continue to canvass the area as a church group and to go door-to-door evangelizing. A couple of weeks ago, one of our ladies was hanging door flyers and met a lady named **Vickie**. She has attended several church services but is confused about the gospel because of her Nazarene background. Cathy has an appointment to meet with her this week to begin a salvation Bible study. Please pray for Vickie.

**Discipleship**—We praise the Lord for the areas of growth we see in the members. There are obstacles and struggles, but the overall direction is good. Our people show evidence that they desire to grow in their Christian life. The one-on-one time together is especially profitable. We have had really good family discipleship time each week with Abs and Cindy and their children.

**Parents**—Both Cathy's parents and my parents have spent time with us in the last couple of months. All four parents are saved, and they are delighted to get to know the folks here in Medford. Part of the fruit of their parenting is seen in the people gathering for church each week. I know it delights them. Pastoring is a lot like parenting—you don't see the results right away, but faithful teaching and practice of God's Word yields spiritual fruit in the end.

So let me encourage you, *"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not"* (Gal. 6:9). Hold fast the form of sound doctrine, be an example of the believers, and keep looking unto Jesus.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support. We appreciate it, and we love you.

May the Lord bless.

Sincerely,

Dave and Cathy Sutton  
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