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Salvations

The chapel ministry at Camp Johnson continues to be one of the most fruitful endeavors we have ever entered into. Each week more and more new Marines and Sailors visit the Chapel. We averaged about 20 in attendance every week this month. This month saw two very special blessings. First we met Sarah. She is an RP (Religious Program Specialist- a Chaplains Assistant) who is actually a member of First Baptist Phillipsburg, NJ, one of our longest supporting churches. Sarah immediately offered her services leading music, which we have not had in Chapel for a while. The addition of worship music to the service has definitely lifted the service and we thank God for bringing her our way. The second blessing came after I preached on Judges 14 and how Samson was attacked by the lion when he was in a place he shouldn't have ever been (The Vineyard). In His infinite Wisdom, the Lord used that and at the invitation 5 Marines raised their hands to indicate they had just asked Christ into their hearts! I'm following up with those that keep coming back and who. Gave me their phone number, and praying for the rest. God is so very good all the time!

Psalms/Proverbs


On January 1 I sent out a text to all my Marines challenging them to read 5 Psalms and 1 Proverb every day this month. 6 responded and I set up a group text that I used to send each one a reminder every day. As Best as I can tell, 5 have completed the challenge! It was exciting to see the responses that they had finished each day, and even more exciting to have them send me questions about their reading. I copied the daily invites and sent them out to the Instagram page we have set up for the Chapel and several on Johnson told me they were doing the Challenge as well. Now in February we start another challenge: to read all four Gospels in one month.

Bible Doctrine Classes

This month we started a brand new study on Tuesday nights: Bible Doctrine. I have been teaching Bible Doctrine since Patty and I planted a church in 2001. Each week about 6-8 Marines show up for the mid-week study and I hand out a small bulletin sized lesson plan I have written, updated, and edited over the last 22 years. We finished the introduction and three lessons on Theology this month. We start Christology in February. The entire course should take 6 months or more (depending on how much I start re-writing and adding). Pray for this small Band of Brothers as they learn the truths of the Bible in a practical and systematic way. Just a note: we are moving through the Book of Acts on Friday nights. We started last May and we just finished Chapter 5 at the end of January!

Vehicle

This month our ministry vehicle had a mechanical failure in the engine that requires an entire engine replacement. The cost is greater than the value so we are raising the funds needed to replace it. This vehicle is used to pick up troops on base for Bible study and also to travel to churches who already support us and those who we hope will one day support the ministry. We are very grateful for all the churches who have already contributed funds to this need. THANK YOU. Without you, we could not keep reaching Marines and Sailors with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.


Rom 1:16

