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VEHICLE

We want to thank everyone again for all the gifts towards our new ministry vehicle. We hope the be able to purchase the vehicle once all the needed and promised gifts have come in. Once we purchase the ministry vehicle, we will be able to back on the road visiting the churches we had to cancel, and we will also be able to schedule new churches we hope to partner with!

CAMP JOHNSON CHAPEL

To show you how the Hand of God is upon us, let me share these facts: Each week I am presenting (sometimes by myself) on base, a military briefing to new Camp Johnson Students about the Chapel ministry, the Chaplaincy, counseling matters and more. As a civilian, whose closest tie to the military was 10 years as a Deputy Sheriff, I consider this an outright miracle! Also, I am being consulted regularly about the rebuild of the Camp Johnson Chapel, which is a National Historic site. I am one of few in this town who is still here that worked in the old building. They are relying on my knowledge to help reconstruct the Chapel to its historically accurate state.

Sarah, the RP we told you about last month, has been busy recruiting for the Worship Team and we now have a three piece band with continuity set up as Marines leave, others are in place. The last week of February we had 30 Marines and Sailors in Chapel. That is the single largest Sunday Service since I came here 7 years ago!

MIRACLES

We say many miracles in February. Most need to be kept close, as Jesus said after some of His healings "Tell no man." We would not want to embarrass those who do not want to have the left hand to know what the right hand is doing. Suffice it to say, I felt a bit like George Meuller this month, as money was left in our mailbox several times. Through an incredible chain of contacts, that had to be God's Hand directing, I was able to get one of our former Marines who needed a lot of help in contact with a ministry just blocks from his home. I will say this as it won't reveal too much: Thank you Leo for helping Kurt!

READING CHALLENGE

We read the Gospels in February for our monthly reading challenge and will start a new challenge in March reading Daniel to Malachi in one month. My goal with these reading challenges is to get our Marines to read their entire Bible this year. By breaking it up into monthly challenges, my prayer is that the idea of reading the entire Bible is not so daunting for them. When we get to some of the tougher books (Leviticus, anyone?), I will be writing up some short devotions to help them understand better. I am sharing the reading plan on my Chapel Instagram: @ChapelWithPastorDave. Feel free to join the challenge!

EASTER

In March we will start planning and gathering for our Easter programs, including our Good Friday Passover Seder. We will also be building Easter Baskets to bless our regulars at the Center and the Students at the Camp Johnson Chapel on Resurrection Sunday. Any help getting the candies and gifts we will put in those baskets is appreciated.

THANK YOU

Once again we want to thank you for your regular monthly support. When folks ask about our needs I know many are looking for "projects" like the vehicle fund, the fencing fund, the building fund or the Easter Basket fund. But our greatest need is to know that each month we can pay the bills, insurances, purchase the food we serve every week to our Marines and Sailors and salaries. THANK YOU for being a Rope Holder and keeping us safely on the field reaching the lost and discipling the saints!

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