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LAVENDER

We are happy to report the Lord has given us our 5th grandchild. Lavender June Mason, 8lbs, 7oz was born on the 7th to Ben and Sarah, making Tilly a big sister. Baby and everyone else is healthy and we are beyond excited at the addition to the family.

DAVE PREACHING

We ended October visiting a supporting church and saw one soul saved at that service. We started November the next week in another supporting church, Centerview Baptist here in Jacksonville. I preached both morning services that day and one soul was saved in each service.

MARINES PREACHING

This month we had two of our Marines lead the Bible Study on two Tuesday nights. Nathan our intern preached on John 3 the first Tuesday night this month. Nate also filled in at Chapel for me while I was at Centerview, and he preached to a dozen pastors at a conference this month. Keep him in prayer as his time with us ends in January and he and his wife Micah head to Colorado for Bible College. The Tuesday before Thanksgiving, Mason Montoya, who was with us for four years before heading to Bible College, was in town for the holiday and preached for us on Ephesians 1. I'm a proud papa preacher watching these young men called to preach under our ministry. In fact, two more men at the Center have announced their call to the ministry, bringing our total to 11 called to full time gospel ministry through the Center ministry.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Our Annual Sunday-before-Thanksgiving dinner was again a great success. We had 55 show Marines and Sailors in attendance (lots went home for the week). God knew what He was doing and sent just who we needed here. A Marine and a Sailor got saved! We are baptizing in the coming weeks! Additionally, we had great help this year again. Several folks in Jacksonville provided two turkeys and desserts, both of our boys cooked at their houses and brought another turkey and mac-n-cheese to us, and many of our regular Marines who have homes in the area cooked sides and even more desserts.

CHAPEL CHANGES

As I write this, I was just informed that there will be big changes at the Camp Johnson Chapel. A new Chaplain is finally on base, and he will be doing the lion's share of preaching. I should have one Sunday Chapel meeting to preach each month going forward. God has been good to us these last three years as I acted as the Protestant Pastor of the Camp Johnson Chapel. I am very sad to lose a big chunk of our ministry there, but already I see the hand of the Lord guiding us in new and exciting directions. I have made so many contacts on all four bases here in Jacksonville that our outreach and investment in the lives of Marines and Sailors can only increase. Plus, God has blessed us personally in a very big way and I believe some very exciting new ministry opportunities are headed our way. God has cleared the way for me to embark on a personal ministry project that will benefit not just our Marines and Sailors, but Sunday Schools, Church Bible studies, and the individual lives of our partners and the church at large. As I used to say back in my Radio News days in the 80's, "Stay tuned for more details!"

A final reminder, we need to receive any end-of-year gifts by December 28 so we have a business day to deposit them and receipt gifts for the 2023 calendar year.

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