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ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Once again we were travelling this month. One trip up the coast and one down to the next county. Pastor Adam Kord asked if I could preach morning and evening services to start the month as he travelled for a family funeral. Friendly Community Baptist is one of our great friends down here and we were happy to fill in. Friendly then came to us later in the month and cooked for one of our Friday night services. The second week of June we travelled to Dover, DE where I preached for Pastor Chris Kondracki at SouthSide Baptist while he was on sabbatical. It was a good month for me, as the main thing I miss from my time as a local church pastor is having a place to preach every Sunday. We ended the month at Camp Johnson and the MCAS New River Air Base Chapels, where I preached for Chaplains at both bases.

DEPLOYMENTS

Please keep 5 of our Marines who are currently on deployment to the Middle East. They are support service, not ground troops, but they are in the danger zone. We believe they may be home in July. Please pray for their safety and their soon return. This is the first time since the bombing at Kabul that we have had Marines we know in a war zone. We know this is what they signed up for, but it still causes us concern. These young men and women are our adopted children. We call them our own. And we want them home!

MISSING, NOT ACTIVE

Pray for several of our Marines who are taking their busy schedule as an excuse to not just stay away from us, but church also. Training schedules have ramped up with the recent world-wide tensions. We know several have been busy, but not so busy they cannot make a single service in almost two months. I have been checking in at these Marine and Sailor's churches and they have not been attending services there either. Pray, for the enemy wants to keep them from growing in the Lord and will bring up many distractions, especially on Friday nights and Sunday mornings, so that they are not edified, instructed and encouraged in the Scripture.

BAPTISM

I got a call this month from Antjuan, a Marine who was with us up to the end of his contract when he entered law enforcement locally while his wife, a Navy RP (Chaplains Assistant) continued her service. She is being transferred to the west coast. Antjuan wanted me to baptize him, as he came to the conclusion that his baptism as a child was not post salvation. I contacted Pastor Michael Schwalm at Centerview Baptist and asked if we could use the Baptistry on that Wednesday night as travel for the family was scheduled for that week. The Church was in the middle of VBS but the baptistry was filled. We arrived an hour before the VBS service and with a few of our Marines and a deacon at the church as witnesses, I baptized Antjuan! It was a sweet time and we are thankful for good friends who are able to make provision for us to do things like this. Ministry can at times be last-minute, and like a Marine, we have to be adaptable!

DAY TRIP

We took a Saturday day trip to a favorite restaurant and a historic military base this month. On a Friday night Patty was sitting with the girls who attend our Center and they all decided to take a day trip the next day to Fort Macon, a civil war era fort on the coast about an hour north of us, and to go to a favorite Burrito restaurant while there. I drove, and one of our guys who is seeing one of the girls came along to keep me company! We had a great time even though it started raining (we bought ponchos in the gift shop) and there was even a cannon shot demonstration. Then we headed to a favorite cupcake shop and bought everyone a treat. It was a special day of fellowship.

THANK YOU for your continued support of Military Evangelism. We could not do what we do without you!!


ROM 1:16



The Kitchen Window & 7/25



"Tell Patty to save me a plate"
These are the sweet words that
one of our girls said to Dave as
he was checking in on her while
she is on deployment.

"You have no idea how much
you, Dave + everyone at the Center
means to me - it is what got
me through each week, knowing
you were always there for me."

These are the encouraging words
of one of our guys who had now
moved on to the Coast Guard.

"I am feeling warm inside - it
is a familiar feeling - I'm home!
That's it - I feel at home!"

This is how a first time visitor
told us how he felt after he
spent one evening with us.

What an honor to be able to serve
Jesus while serving others. & Patty