

# *the* BRUBAKER *family*

## CHURCH PLANTERS IN ENUMCLAW, WA



Dear Praying Friends,

**October - December 2023**

The last three months have brought joy, growth, hardship, and blessing to our family. Every day, I am honored and rejoicing to be in the service of our Lord and King, here in Washington. There are countless opportunities to demonstrate and speak of Christ's love to our friends and neighbors. Recently, we've witnessed God do some amazing things.

For Thanksgiving, we had a special service; both for those who attend regularly and for our community. "Thankful Sunday" was on November 26th and was well attended; with five first-time visitors, including three who claim to be atheists. We had a wonderful time thanking the Lord for his many blessings, and those who have yet to be saved expressed their thankfulness for our family moving to this area and making a difference in their lives. There was food, of course, as everyone pitched in and brought traditional dishes to share.

The Christmas season provided a unique opportunity for us to capitalize on the many friendships we have been making all year and to begin new ones. We printed 150 family Christmas cards, that included the Gospel, then passed them out to every home in our community. We were also able to sing Christmas carols at many of the homes. Many expressed their thankfulness with laughter, hugs, and gifts to our family. (We even received a \$50.00 tip) All received the Gospel and seeds were planted once again. Please pray that God will use His Word to reach hearts.

We have had some challenges this past month. Many of you will remember the summer Bible Break Club and the Truth Trek Sunday School that we have been doing almost since we moved here. We have had ten kids who faithfully attend every week. There was an incident during community playtime about three weeks ago that was overreacted to; now, most of these kids no longer attend our class or even play at our house. This has been a tremendous blow to our children especially. These are friends that they have had since we moved in and things are different now. Satan has found a way to discourage our family; more specifically, our children.

We choose to focus on the encouraging things though: like the continued spiritual growth in some of our regular attendees, and the fact that our Bible Study continues to be well attended with people being interested in studying God's Word and learning. After a long discussion, one of our men has seen the importance of studying and using the KJV as opposed to his other version. He proudly carries his Bible to all our services now! Several different churches here in the greater Seattle area have contacted us specifically to be an encouragement recently, and we are very grateful!

We also want to say a special "Thank You" to all of you who have recently sent a note, Christmas Card, or gift. It means so much to go to the post office and see something unexpected, and know people are thinking and praying for you all around the country. Our children were extremely blessed by the special gifts that came their way from several of you. Thank You!

As we look forward to this coming year, I have a great burden to see continued spiritual growth in those who regularly attend. As well as, the salvation of many more. Please pray that God will continue to work in hearts and that this small body of believers will draw closer to the Lord. "But *it* is good for me to draw near to God..." - Psalm 73:28

In His Service,

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