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Prayer Requests

- Christmas play
- More visitors
- Church growth

Praises

- Rain
- Garden harvest

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Time always goes by too quickly during the summer months. It has been a blessing to have taken care of a few projects as well as spending some time outdoors. However, the nice weather is drawing to a close, and I still have a few things on the list that need to get done before the cold and snow arrives.

We praise the Lord for answering prayers concerning rain. In my memory, this year seems to have been one of the wettest seasons we have had in the Dakotas in the thirty years that I have lived here. Our garden produced well, and my wife was able to can plenty of green beans, peas and some pasta sauces. Praise the Lord!

Our ministry in Hoven continues to be slow with little to show forth other than church repairs it seems. I know that God is working in ways that I can't always see. Please continue to pray for the few families that we do have coming, for the need to see the importance of church faithfulness and to be a witness. I continue to stress the importance from the pulpit and by way of example.

We have been able to continue our nursing home ministries, reaching into 2 different surrounding communities. This is probably my favorite of all the ministries we do. We go to be a blessing, but it seems God allows us to be blessed in the process, watching the smiling faces and singing along in the hymns of the faith. This past year we saw the nursing home residents drop almost in half due to deaths, but in recent months those numbers have picked back up. We have no idea what kind of spiritual impact we may have had on some of these people.

Our church in its past was known in the community to put on Christmas plays. There are people in our Catholic community that will probably never attend a regular church service, but each year they will ask if we are having a Christmas play. We always try to do something each year, but a lack of participation has limited what we can do. This year we are praying about trying with the faithful few and seeing what happens. Please pray for us in this matter.

My family and I were able to get away for a week to visit family in Virginia and North Carolina. It had been a year since we had seen our grandson and his family. The trip was way too short but immensely enjoyed. All our family is doing well. We thank you for your faithful support in prayers and finances.

Serving in South Dakota,
The Wrights