

BRIAN AND SHANNON NEWSLETTER JULY 2023

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? (Romans 10:14-15a)

July started off with a bang (ha ha), as we mentioned in the previous newsletter. I was able to come back to Colorado just in time to celebrate Shannon's birthday at the beginning of July. We immediately left Colorado, however, and made our way down to Texas for our visit with John and Carla Moore. Despite the heat, we really enjoyed visiting with our good friends and they rolled out the red carpet for us! We ate our weight in brisket (well I did), met many wonderful folks from Dripping Springs, and spent time with John and Carla's family. The goal of this trip was to work on Bible Passages, John and Carla's ministry.



Truck Thermometer in Texas

MINISTRY UPDATES



Open Pit Barbeque

For those unfamiliar with Bible Passages, as I mentioned it is a ministry of John and Carla Moore. They do so many great things like partner with WVBS to produce bible videos, lead trips to Israel, conduct marriage seminars, teach and mentor at Bear Valley, write scripture, speak on podcasts, and more! I got connected with John through a mutual love of Bible geography and was fortunate enough to take one of their tours. As I started to figure out my next steps in ministry, John, Carla, and I started talking about an internship/working relationship. We were able to make that a reality this summer and that is what precipitated our trip this summer.

While in Dripping Springs (Drippin' for the uninitiated), we did several things as it relates to Bible Passages. We planned for the future, worked on a new logo, and continued the work on the website facelift. As time goes on, I hope that I will be able to continue to be a part of their work and be helpful to them.

The last piece of ministry information from July is that I was able to preach out at Columbine church of Christ one of the local churches in Denver. We would like to ask for specific prayers for this congregation as they have had their trials and are struggling to keep their numbers up without a full time minister currently in place.

PERSONAL NOTES



As some of you may have heard, Shannon had been having some medical issues over the past year. She underwent a minor surgery to resolve the issue and so far that has been a success. Praise God and we always thank you for your prayers on our behalf. The recovery has been smooth and she is excited to be able to move around normally again.

Shannon back to enjoying a hike!

UPCOMING EVENTS – BEAR VALLEY AND BIBLE PASSAGES NEED YOUR HELP!

PTP 2023 – Look for both Bear Valley and Bible Passages at Polishing the Pulpit if you are going! They would love to connect with you and hear about your relationship with Bear Valley and/or me.

Student Campaigns – Every year Bear Valley sends out students on campaigns and they are currently looking for sponsoring congregations. How this works, the sponsoring congregation is responsible for housing, transportation, and food. The students then arrive and work for 4 days for the congregation in whatever capacity suits the situation best. In the past, students have doorknocked, conducted seminars, and participated in service projects. Email me if you can help!



Bible Passages Banner for PTP

Bible Passages – John and Carla have big plans for Bible Passages! I personally will be trying to create more content for them to help them in their mission. If you haven't done so already, visit their website and or follow them on social media. It is such a great work to be part of!