



the Cooleys

Laboring in Oregon

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Brethren, pray for us. 1 Thessalonians 5:25



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To all our Brethren in Christ,

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OUR REPORT: We trust this letter finds all of you well and serving the Lord with gladness and singleness of heart. Thank you for your continued care for our family and the ministry which the Lord has given for us to do. Things have been somewhat slower this month here in Oregon. As a family, we have dealt with the seasonal illnesses which are normal for this time of the year and thank the Lord for restored health. In the ministry, we have dealt with burdens, bothers, battles, and of course there have also been blessings. We continue to speak with individuals, and to meet with others who give us opportunity—but we are met with continued indifference.

Thank you for praying for a resident named Tina. Her violent anger has subsided and she seems to have settled in to her new home. She remains aloof, uninterested, and steadfast in her belief of the false doctrine taught by the cult of JW's. Please continue in prayer for her soul. We are also seeing improved response among the residents and the staff at the Brookdale Facility here in Redmond, and for this we praise the Lord.

We highlight a couple instances of our efforts of witnessing of Jesus Christ and warning men concerning the wrath which is to come for all who reject the gospel of the grace of God. It was in the same day that we were able to speak with two older men concerning their souls and eternity. We spoke separately and at different times, and the response was the same from each. Both men were adamant and deliberate in their rejection of Jesus Christ. One of the men went so far as to say that he wanted NOTHING TO DO with Jesus. The other man bluntly told me that while it was my job to tell him, it was equally his job to try and stop me and refuse everything I had to say and offer. It would be wonderful to share news of souls saved and lives changed, and the same being scripturally baptized and added to the local church. For now, all we can do is share that we have been faithful to warn sinners that life is short, hell is hot, heaven is sweet, and that Jesus saves all who come unto Him! Please pray for Tom and for Mike and for others who have refused the gospel.

OUR REQUESTS: "Brethren, pray for us." (1 Th. 5:25). Please PRAY...

- For the Lord's will to be done in all things, and for us to have a closer walk with our Lord and Savior.
- For people's hearts to be opened like Lydia's (Acts 16:14), and to be illuminated (Heb. 10:32).
- For the salvation of John, Tessa, Tina, Mr. B, Mr. F, Mr. R., Dan, Tony, June, and for the little ones.
- For humility and holiness to permeate everything we say and do (Acts 20:19; 1 Th. 2:10-11).

OUR REJOICING: 3 John 1:6 says, "Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, thou shalt do well:" — We rejoice in your charity to bring us on our journey as we strive to sow the gospel seed in Oregon and the Western USA. **Thank you so much**—this seems so insufficient for all each of you are doing for us. Our prayer is for God's gracious hand to rest upon all of our friends, family, and supporters. Grace be with you all. Maranatha. Godspeed. - **The Cooleys**