



GIBMissions

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In February, the Lord added two more families to stand with us as GIBMissionaries. They were introduced to the preachers who attended the GIBF meeting in Tampa, Florida. Both of these missionaries are graduates of Heartland Baptist Bible College. However, this is not a requirement for our missionaries. We have many who are "on the same page" with us doctrinally, but who have received their Biblical preparation in other places. Some of them have been trained exclusively by their pastor. All of them have been faithful to their local Baptist churches long before they were recommended to the preachers for support. Doctrine is our common thread of unity, identity, and cooperation.. It is marvelous to see so many families from such varied backgrounds come together on the basis of doctrine. When men adhere to a clear and uncompromising view of the Bible and what it teaches, they have a unity that cannot be produced any other way. Praise the Lord for our missionaries! Please add these new ones to your prayer list and support them as the Lord directs your attention to them and their needs. I believe they can pass your test.

As you may already know, I have been preaching at the First Missionary Baptist Church in Healdton, Oklahoma. This is a great church, and they have been cooperative in every way as we attempt to move them in the direction of church growth. The attendance is about 60, but last Sunday there were 17 visitors. We are asking the Lord to send a revival to this difficult place in south central Oklahoma's oil patch. The community and everything in it has been in decline for several years. The population of the town is going down as well. It is a great challenge for my wife and me, but with your prayers and God's grace, we hope to make a difference here for the gospel. The church does have a healthy missions program and supports several GIBM Missionaries. Your support makes it possible for us to help this church and continue working with the missions office. Thank you!

I have not heard a word from Ronny George in more than two weeks. I am concerned about his welfare and I hope you will remember to pray for him. He is in a hopelessly violent and discouraging situation.



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