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Friends,

I was recently taking the agent from the fire extinguisher company on a tour of the building while he inspected our fire extinguishers. When we were finished, I asked him if he went to church, and he said, "No" rather sadly. I took the opportunity to invite him to our services. He said he would like to come. So, I pushed the envelope and asked him if he had confidence that he would go to heaven when he died. Again, he said, "No". Soon we were sitting together reading the Word of God. In the process of time, he bowed his head and asked the Lord to forgive him of all his sins in Jesus' name and through His blood. I was very happy to enjoy this answer to prayer. It seemed as if the Lord was working on both of us in our conversation. He led me to witness, and he led Brendan to believe. He has been to church several times and is thrilled to find the kind of fellowship he has found in this church family. If that wasn't enough, the Lord brought to our services a couple that has never been in a Bible preaching church. They are married and have a two-year-old son. They are both professional people. Both knew there was something missing in their lives. Separately, they each made an appointment to come to the study and again the Lord was working. Both have been saved and are pursuing discipleship. On the same day that Alison was born of the Spirit, I had an appointment with a 13-year-old grandson of one of our newer members, who was baptized a few months ago. Evan had a lot of questions about the Bible, and he too, made a profession of faith in Jesus!

I have started a class on Tuesday evenings. We call it the "Pastor's Class". I have enjoyed being able to reach out to the church family with some historical and practical lessons. We are praying for revival here. It seems that the Lord is moving in that direction.

In addition to these developments, we are in the process of upgrading the facilities here. The list of maintenance needs seems to grow daily. Yesterday the hot water tank at the church went out.

It seems to me that our country is beginning to understand that blessings are not man-made. Perhaps, in time, more people will see that repentance and faith are the key ingredients to a blessed life. Happiness cannot be the goal of our existence. It is the by-product of loving God.

I am so grateful for the numerous friends and supporting churches that have been on board with us for so many years. Your faithfulness in supporting the Lewis Team has allowed us to go much further than we ever dreamed that we would be able to go. We have been "drafted" to several hurting churches. If we had to rely upon our own resources, we could not have helped them. I am sure that they would agree with me when I say, *"Your help is a gift from the hand of the Lord."*

With All Best Wishes,

The Lewis Team

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Ps 103:1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
