

November - December 2019

Wishing You a Christ Honoring Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

We have enjoyed the Lord's blessing this past year as a fellowship of churches. We are thankful for all the churches and pastors that work together to pray, fellowship, win souls and plant churches. We are also thankful for the new church plants that the Lord has raised up in needy towns and cities. We are glad for a new addition to our fellowship and for churches who are praying about future affiliation. Please join us in prayer for our nation and the world as we contemplate the new year ahead. May God be glorified.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Pastor Ken Evans, Fellowship Baptist Church, Miles City, MT

Natalie and I were so blessed to be able to attend the Annual Meeting of the IMBF. What a tremendous time of fellowship and encouragement. The greatest blessing to me, along with the great preaching, was to be able to hear how the Lord is blessing in each of the churches. There are so many examples of God's faithfulness in answering prayers and fortifying His churches.

One challenge the Lord gave me was from a faithful church planter in Pocatello Idaho, Pastor Don Whitecar. He spoke of purchasing John/Romans booklets and canvassing areas of town. God laid on my heart to bring this before our church. We purchased 2,000 John/Romans, printed off church fliers, and added a salvation tract and started hanging these on as many doors as we can. The weather limits when we can go out, but we are looking forward to seeing fruit from this endeavor. God tells us "*He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him*." (**Ps 126:6**). I know we are limited in what we can do, but the Lord is not. Go out and trust in His working.

Another blessing my wife has received is when Cindy Hoover and several other ladies exchanged phone numbers to keep in contact with each other about special prayer requests or just kind greetings. This has turned out to be a real encouragement with the many answers to prayer and fellowship among the ladies.

I want to encourage all of us to reach out to each other. We truly need to pray for each other, and as best we can, keep in contact. Texting is a good way for me and I would love to keep in regular contact with everyone. My Cell number is (406)853-3476.

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT - Pastor Paul D. Hoover {pauldhoover@icloud.com}

I was greatly blessed by the attendance, fellowship and preaching at the Annual Meeting of the IMBF at Heritage Baptist Church of Great Falls, Montana. Pastor Schearer and the members of the church did an outstanding job of hosting our fellowship. I believe that we all went home encouraged and with a greater vision to serve the Lord. Let us ask the Lord for a great year ahead as we serve Him and pray for His soon return.

Look on the website for next year's special events: IMBFELLOWSHIP.COM

It is our prayer that we might relay to our readers the vistas of the glories of Christ and His work, enjoy the sweet fellowship of God's people, and share our burden for the great and needy harvest fields of the IMBF.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH – Laurel, MT

The Annual Meeting of the Intermountain Baptist Fellowship (Sept. 30-Oct. 1)in Great Falls was a huge success in spite of a nineteen inch snowstorm in that area. There were about twenty-five pastors and their families from several different states in attendance, all were blessed with the wonderful fellowship and preaching. Dwight Smith was one of the main speakers. His wife, Amber, spoke at our Ladies' Fellowship held at the Marsich home October 4.

October 6-11 Ditty Evangelist C. T.L. Spear was here for Fall Revival Meetings. We had great attendance and there were many blessings. Several local pastors with some of their flock joined with us on various nights. Brother Spear's brother, Dale, was able to join with us some evenings.

On Wednesday, October 23, Missionary Jim Roberts was here to report about the work the Lord is doing through their ministry in India.

The annual Harvest Party about treasure seeking was a blast. The children responded to Pastor's special "treasure hunt" chalk drawing. Even though it was cold many enjoyed the hayride. The box maze is always fun. There were many games to play and good food to eat.

Praise the Lord for all He has done!

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH - Miles City, MT

The end of October the Lord blessed our church with special meetings with Evangelist Paul Crow and his family. Our hearts were greatly encouraged. We had good attendance each of the services, and one soul was saved. Brother Crow had to endure a cold snap that hit the day he arrived and lifted the day he left. He struggled with frozen pipes in his trailer and running out of propane the first night. All in all though, the Lord used him and his family in a mighty way. We are looking forward to having him again next year. Lord willing it won't be so cold.

November has been a busy month with visiting and trying to help those in the church with pressing needs. We are encouraged by the visitors we have been having and the great answers to prayer that our church has experienced. God is so good all of the time.

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