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Dear Friends,

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As they say in Ukraine when they greet each other during the Easter season- **Christ is risen, truly risen!** I hope that all of you had a blessed and meaningful Easter holiday, despite the attempts of our government to spoil it. I had the honor of preaching at **Big Sewell Baptist Church** for the Sunrise and also Morning Worship Services. Pastor Kermit Hunter and Big Sewell Baptist Church continue to play a central role in our ministry and the congregation there treats me like family.

It was also an honor to preach the Ordination Service at **Little Wolf Creek Baptist Church** on the previous Sunday morning. Pastor Eddie Harris and his church ordained Brother Randy Smith as Deacon and then shared a variety of homemade soups and sandwiches at lunch afterward. I am truly blessed to have a ministry that often involves food, both spiritual and physical, and I do my best to work hard at the serving of both. I say that with a big grin on my face and a shirt that is much too tight around the waist.

My wife and I also enjoyed presenting our ministry to the folks at **Wikel Community Baptist Church** this month. Pastor Todd Carr and the folks there also received us very warmly. Their church decided to **join our team of regular financial supporters**. This was a great encouragement to me. **We thank God that He has sent us Wikel Community Baptist Church.** In order to continue doing our ministry within its present scope, much less expand our work for the Lord, it is critical that our resources be increased. Along those lines, we also **thank God** that a friend of the ministry sent in \$1,000 this month to strengthen our general fund.

**He is not here, for He is risen!
Easter- Big Sewell Baptist Church**



**Ordaining Deacon Randy Smith
Little Wolf Creek Baptist Church**



**Our office has new roof- next,
new interior and vinyl siding**



Thank you for praying for Ukraine. **We praise the Lord** that \$6,400 was again sent to cover the humanitarian aid work of Salvation Church, Born Again Church, and Cross of Christ Church. This money is for use in April. We are **also grateful** that \$912 has already been given by New Covenant Bible Church towards the \$6,400 that will be sent next month, **Lord willing**. Our heart is warmed by this compassion that is being shown toward Ukraine. **Please join me in praying** that the Lord would raise up much more help in the various forms that are needed during a war.

Please pray specifically for Brother Andre Khudiakov and his wife Valentina. They returned to their home in Kiev some time ago. Brother Andre told me that Russia recently increased the number of missiles and drone strikes around Kiev. Many of them had fallen the morning before but were intercepted. Remember, even when missiles are intercepted, the pieces still fall on people and buildings. This often causes fires which do more damage. Brother Andre said that many more explosives fell that evening. This time, half were intercepted, and half were not. Ukraine does not have enough air defense supplies to intercept all of them. It really is a matter of Ukraine's survival.

Please continue to pray for Pastor Joseph Nanneti and all of India. Please also pray for Pastor Aris Alfonso and the ministry in Philippines. Brother Aris will be interviewed on April 23 for a visa to visit USA. He wants to visit his supporters and raise money to expand his ministry. He was rejected last year, which is shameful considering the millions of illegal immigrants being allowed to invade our southern border. **We thank God** that Sewell Valley Baptist Church gave \$240 this month to sponsor the children's feeding project for April.

Personally, **I am so grateful** that the Lord recently gave me strength and good weather to finish replacing the shingles on the roof of our office. Now, I can turn to a complete makeover of the inside of our office. I will spend a week or two first, on work that still needs to be done on my home. It is also still lacking half of its new roof. I am praying that, by the end of this year, we will even be able to put vinyl siding on the office to match the garage.

Franklin Tuck Jr.

In the name of Jesus, your grateful brother,

"Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee... who passing through the valley of Baca maketh it a well." Psalm 84: 5-6

Projects	Needed	Each	Sponsor	Work
Grounds, office building, and garage				
1. Plant 10 willow trees along creek, erect 7 flag poles/flags of each country we work in, install dusk to dawn light at front of property, build wall around flag pole area for flower beds, fill flower bed with soil, install electrical supply to garage, paint outside of garage, replace garage doors, replace window in garage, replace roof on garage, update office computer, buy cordless telephone system, build new front porch on office building, paint outside of office building, build 2 bathrooms in office building, connect office building to sewer system, install drywall/electrical receptacle/shelving in office storeroom, install skirting around office building, buy new laptop for deputation, increase storage space in office, install laminate floor in office, buy new projector for deputation, buy refrigerator for office, buy microwave for office, install air conditioner/electric furnace/water heater in office, replace roof on office		Total cost= \$20,500	Yes	Done
2. Pour concrete sidewalk from driveway to front porch	2	\$300	Yes	
3. Replace windows in office	2	\$250	Yes	
4. Replace floor in office	1			
5. Change drywall in office	1	\$300	Yes	
6. Install vinyl siding on office	1			
7. Install floodlights for individual flags	7	\$50	Yes	
8. Install vinyl siding on garage	1	\$1160	Yes	Done
Chapel				
1. Finish electrical supply	1	\$300	Yes	Done
2. Finish vinyl siding	1	\$750	Yes	Done
3. Power wash siding outside and block walls inside after flood	1	1	Yes	Done
4. Install 2x4 studs to plumb upstairs walls	1	\$200	Yes	
5. Install wiring and receptacles	1	\$200	Yes	
6. Install insulation in upstairs walls	1	\$200	Yes	
7. Install light fixtures upstairs	2	\$25	Yes	
8. Install drywall on upstairs walls	1	\$350	Yes	
9. Paint upstairs walls	1	\$75	Yes	
10. Install insulation in roof	1	\$200	Yes	
11. Install ceiling tiles upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
12. Install sub-floor upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
13. Install flooring upstairs	1	\$400	Yes	
14. Install floor tiles upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
15. Paint downstairs walls	1	\$75	Yes	
16. Install light fixtures downstairs	2	\$25	Yes	
17. Replace roof	1	\$7,000		
Joshua Tuck Memorial				
1. Plant "Joshua's Tree"	1	\$800	Yes	Done
2. Build stone wall	1	\$300	Yes	
3. Plant small flower garden	1	\$100	Yes	
4. Install memorial plaque	1	\$100	Yes	
5. Install bench	1	\$100	Yes	
Picnic & Entertainment Pavilion				
1. Bulldoze/Excavate area	1	\$1000	Yes	Done
2. Pour concrete in picnic & entertainment area (4 sections)	4	\$500	Yes	
3. Erect picnic shelter (3 sections)	3	\$750	Yes	
4. Build picnic tables	30	\$75	Yes	
5. Erect entertainment area	1	\$750	Yes	
Church construction- Andhra Pradesh, India				
1. Foundation and pillars, sub floor, walls, beams & roof, electric system, plumbing & water system, windows, doors, sanctuary chairs, pulpit, sound system, bathroom tile and fixtures		\$17,625	Yes	Done
2. Road	1	\$200	Yes	
3. Labor & finishing touches	1	\$2400	Yes	Done
4. Church vehicle	1	?		
5. Install baptistry	1	\$750	Yes	Done
Church construction, Pangasinan, Philippines				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, electrical system, plumbing, water system, windows, doors, ceiling, floor tiles, soffit		Total = \$11,000	Yes	Done
2. Partition off 2 rooms (Zaldy & storage) in fellowship area	1	\$750	Yes	Done
Parsonage construction, Pangasinan, Philippines				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, windows, doors, ceilings, paint, electrical system, plumbing, water pump, porch, garage, tiles		\$10,350	Yes	Done