

"...ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8

Fall 2019

As I look out the window today, it looks as if we skipped the rest of fall and headed right into winter! We have been busy preparing for winter's arrival. The summer equipment such as the nine square in the air, paddleboats, the big tent by the lake, etc. are packed away and we have spent some time bringing in wood for camp. Just this week, we cleaned out our garden and brought in the last of the produce of the cold hardy cabbage, kale, and brussel sprouts. We thank the Lord for all the fruits and vegetables He supplied this year!

We enjoyed some great revival meetings in churches this fall. I thank the Lord for my family and how they add so



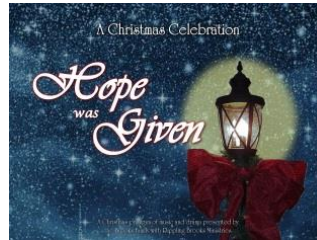
much as we serve in churches through music and other special elements in the services. It has been a blessing to see them progressing in using their talents. Not only do they help as we minister in churches, but also with events and



retreats at camp from helping in the kitchen to cleaning. But of course, there are some times they get to have fun, too, like for the girls doing crafts and prepping for the ladies craft day and for Blake being out on the trail for the ATV and snowmobile retreats.



Next week we have another "Pressing on Crusade," but we have been working hard on things for the Christmas programs coming up through the month of December. The title of the program is "Hope was Given." Right now, we are scheduled to present it in ten different churches. This is a Christmas program of music and drama you will not want to miss. The setting is a town park where a church puts on an annual Christmas celebration. Cynthia doesn't care for the merriment of Christmas, but after a



personal invitation to come to the program decides to come and see what it is all about. She realizes that Christmas represents more than just a bunch of trite wishes for peace and joy. She is introduced to Jesus

Christ, who was born in a manger, died on the cross, and rose from the grave, as the giver of hope. God has given us a wonderful gift of hope that brings lasting joy and reason for heartfelt celebration.

Be sure to join us at one of the stops on our Christmas program tour in Pennsylvania and New York.

- 12/1 North Eulalia Baptist Church, Coudersport, PA
- Cherry Flats Baptist Church, Mansfield, PA
- 12/5 Calvary Baptist Church, New Stanton, PA
- 12/6 Union Baptist Church, Kittanning, PA
- 12/8 Acre Lake Independent Baptist, Kingsley, PA
- 12/15 Tioga Center Baptist Church, Tioga Center, NY
- Jackson Summit Baptist Church, Millerton, PA
- 12/22 Cowlesville Baptist Church, Cowlesville, NY
- 12/29 Catatunk Baptist Church, Owego, NY
- Marsh Creek Fellowship Baptist, Wellsboro, PA

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There are a few openings still, so if you are interested in your church being on our Christmas program tour, please contact us soon. We try to keep the Sunday morning and Sunday evening programs no more than an hour and a half travel time between churches.

Please pray that the Lord would greatly use this Christmas program to bring hope to those who are unsaved. Pray also for us as we travel to different churches on wintery roads, and for health and strength.

You can also praise the Lord with us that the survey on the property next to our home that we have been trying to purchase to be able to pull our travel trailer in has been completed and the subdivision has passed through the necessary planning boards. Hopefully things can be finalized on the purchase soon.

Serving the Savior,

*Erich & Shawna
and family*