



*"...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 2020

We have enjoyed some beautiful fall days this month! Though there hasn't been time for leisurely hikes, we did enjoy working at the necessary fall cleanup and outside projects in nice weather.

We were thankful to be able to do two VBS programs in person this summer. Flexibility was the name of the game as we tried



to do as much of the programming outside as possible. We had a torrential downpour during one opening, but we stayed dry under the pavilion and the

rain moved on, allowing us to carry on with the rest of the evening uninterrupted. If you missed this year's VBS, the virtual "On Route for Glory" VBS is still available on our website.

The end of August, we were able to spend some time on vacation in the Adirondacks. It was a relaxing and refreshing time enjoying the beauty of God's creation. During part of our time away, we were able to do some work on the vacation Bible school program for next summer. If you are interested in scheduling us for a VBS next summer, let us know so we can get it on our calendar.



Most of our usual fall events were canceled for various reasons, but Shawna was able to present a workshop for a ladies' retreat and enjoyed the opportunity to lead a craft with the ladies there.

We are thankful also that we have been out nearly every Sunday ministering in churches. Sometimes we wish we could be more than one place at once. One week, when we were already scheduled, we had two other pastors contact us looking for pulpit supply because they had to quarantine. But we trust that the Lord is guiding even in our schedule and has us where He can best use us each day.

Because of Erich's dad having surgery to remove a brain tumor, the responsibility of collecting wood for the outdoor wood burner at camp has fallen to us and we have spent countless hours this fall harvesting wood as well as arranging the purchase of triaxle loads of logs. We are very thankful for the men who have come to help us cut, chop, and stack wood!

This has been a difficult year for everyone. We know so many struggling through loss of family members, personal sickness, and uncertainty and even fear about the future. What better time is there to focus on our great promise-keeping God? God rules in the affairs of men, and we can trust Him to do what He knows is best. "Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The Lord reigneth" 1 Chron. 16:31. We are daily reminded of this truth as we prepare for our 2020 Christmas program, "The Promised Arrived." We have spent many hours writing the script, choosing music, designing the set, and now practicing as we anticipate the opportunity to present this program starting in just a few weeks! Sunday mornings from the last Sunday in November through the first Sunday in January are scheduled, but there are some Sunday evenings available. We



can also do programs during the week, so if you would like to have this program presented in your church please contact us soon. Lord willing, we will be presenting the Christmas program in the following churches.

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| 11/29 | North Eulalia Baptist Church, Coudersport, PA |
| 12/6  | Calvary Baptist Church, Coudersport, PA       |
|       | Cherry Flats Baptist Church, Mansfield, PA    |
| 12/13 | Acre Lake Independent Baptist, Kingsley, PA   |
| 12/20 | Cowlesville Baptist Church, Cowlesville, NY   |
| 12/27 | Catatonk Baptist Church, Owego, NY            |
| 1/3   | Tioga Center Baptist Church, Tioga Center, NY |

Please pray that the Lord would use this program for His glory, that many would be able to see it and be in awe of our promise-keeping God, that those who see it will be prepared for the promised trumpet sound, for health and safety in traveling, and that the programs would not be restricted because of the pandemic.

Serving the Savior,

*Erich & Shawna  
and family*