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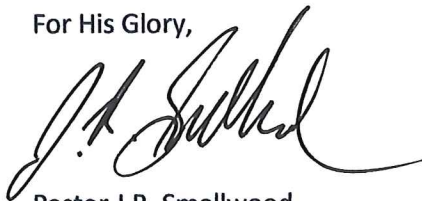
Dear Supporters,

Our **Grand Opening Service** was met with much anticipation to see what the Lord would do and who he would bring. The Lord blessed us with fifty-eight people in attendance! Several families we had met through door knocking (and had counted on attending) were not able to make it. However, many did come who had only received an information packet or tract left on their door. It was wonderful to hear each one's story and especially of those who had been looking and praying for a church like ours! A seven-year-old boy walked the aisle and received Christ and one lady re-dedicated her life to the Lord. The young boy and his family have attended every service since our first day and two weeks after the boy was saved I had the privilege of leading his father to Christ in their home. Since our grand opening service, Solid Rock Baptist Church has averaged thirty in attendance, with a high day of forty-one!

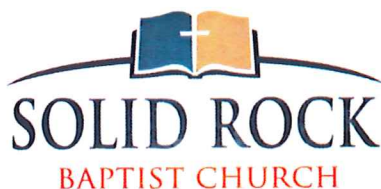
We are encouraging our folks to join us on Saturday mornings to give out the Gospel and reach our community. It has been a blessing to see the positive response and the tenderness of their hearts to obey the Great Commission. We recently offered to meet with people during the week for discipleship Bible study. My wife has met with two ladies and two more have asked to attend. I have been meeting weekly with one man. It's inspiring to see their desire to grow in the Lord.

Please pray for us as we continue to look for a larger and more permanent location, not only for us to meet, but most importantly a place to baptize new converts. We are currently able to rent only one conference room at the hotel, and child care is held in the "converted foyer" during the service. This limits our ability to offer more, such as Sunday School. We are trusting God's timing and His ability to direct our steps! Pray that God will continue to bless our door knocking efforts and that He will build His church. Thank you for your faithful support and prayers!

For His Glory,



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