

THE STAGNER FAMILY



July-August 2017 - Prayer/Update Letter

“In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Dear Fellow Labourers in Christ,

Gratitude goes a long way... This thought has echoed in my mind and heart for the last month or so. In all fairness, it requires zero talent and ability to exercise gratitude. We often speak of avoiding regrets in our life, seeking a future of golden years with the possibility to reflect back regretting nothing done or undone. However, our life would more than likely present itself less regrettable in the future if we were more grateful in the present. In the many years of business in the past, my staff were always thankful for a pay increase or a bonus, but it was regular examples of gratitude toward their work which really made the difference. Deep down, most hard working people typically feel as if the raise or bonus is earned and sometimes deserved, and they would often be correct. At the end of the day, people want to be appreciated, God is no different. He laboured mightily to create our beautiful world, and continues to work every minute of every day sustaining the working of stars and planets, rainfall and evaporation, seeds and fertility, gravity and friction. Most of all, He works to exercise love toward His bride through the out pouring of the Holy Spirit. The Lord Jesus Christ, above all others at the very least deserves our gratitude as do those around us... Gratitude goes a long way...

Saron Chapel Independent Baptist Church - Aberaman

The past two months have been a mighty and wonderful blessing. In July the teen mission team from our sending church, Calvary Baptist Church in King, NC were with us working diligently in outreach for our REVO Summertime Youth rally, which closed out the youth club session for the 2016-2017 school year. We were wonderfully blessed by the team as was our village and many youth who attended the youth rally. We had well over 30 in attendance for the evening. We are looking forward to reconvening REVO youth club on 8 September for the 2017-18 academic year. As a church, the unity has never been better, even though small in number we are large in spirit, praying and worshipping together and working for the Lord experiencing the continual moving of the Holy Spirit. We are regularly seeing the impact

of the Spirit of God in the lives of those around us. For this reason alone, we are grateful beyond measure.

Saron Chapel South IBC

The Lord has continued to bless Saron South with consistent attendance the spirit of liberty has blown through our church in a great way. As a new church the congregation continues to grow closer toward one another and we all grow closer toward the Lord. One man in particular, Paul (there is a great name) who has been at Saron South since the opening service has recently taken over the music program. He has done an outstanding job and without fail each hymn has tied directly into the sermon. We will hit one year next month for our South location and are excited to see what the Lord will do in the future. Please continue to pray for the building situation, we are trusting the Lord to do great things, writing our plans in pencil or chalk and His in ink!

Camp Grace

Camp Grace 2017 was a massive success with record number in attendance again, we increased by 15 youth firm last year, packing out the facility. This year's theme was "Marvellous Grace", it seemed as every young person received a blessing with friendships rekindled and new ones formed. We are already looking forward to next year with excitement.

Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for the Saron family of churches, future church plants, youth club at South, my parents' health and our family on the field. Also, if there are any prayer request you may have, please feel free to send them to us so we may lift you up before the Throne of Grace. We are eternally indebted to you all for your sacrifice and partnership with us on the mission field. May the Lord bless your faithfulness.

Till the Shout,


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