## Stagner March-April 2022 Prayer/Update Letter

Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. 36 And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. 37 And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth. John 4:35-37

Dear Fellow Labourers in Christ,

Early in the ministry I was fortunate enough to be blessed with a man of God who believed in sowing the seed of the word of God. Pastor Ellis, who led me to the Lord as well as to whom I surrendered to preach under and was ordained, instilled in us the personal responsibility of witnessing to those around us. He taught us to always have a gospel tract or Bible present, but to also learn Scripture by heart so we may be ready always to give an answer. Among the great depth of Biblical teaching he bestowed upon me, two aspects of sowing he locked into my heart: 1. Circumstances always change, therefore continue to witness, sow seeds of the gospel and be present in the lives of souls, because one day they will be in need. 2. Take care of those who are in your sphere of influence. Dr. Ellis was convinced God works in these circles, so if we will be a blessing and witness to those in our life, God will send a witness to our loved ones living elsewhere in the same way He sends us to those in our life.

This conviction has been with me for over 25 years of being in the ministry and I continue to teach it to my family and our people. Since arriving in Wales in late 2014, we have saturated our areas with over 500,000 gospel tracts and John/Romans; with a goal to reach 1 million by the end of 2024. Some people may ask why? The answer(s) are simple: circumstances always change, and God has placed us exactly where we are, in our sphere of influence to sow the seed of the Gospel, just as He is doing with those we love who live elsewhere.

## Calvary Baptist Church of Cardiff

Calvary has been a blessing over the last two months, the Lord has opened the door for a few new visitors to the church. We have started a monthly fellowship after service, which was a great blessing to the people, something they have not experienced in the past.

Saron Chapel Independent Baptist Church

Steady work continues to be performed in the valleys, although things are dark and indifferent here, the Lord knows the great need. Our building continues to be in need of repairs, however our hands are tied, because of various reasons. Services have been a blessing, fellowship has been sweet and outreach continues to see the gospel into the homes and hearts of men, woman and children.

## Prayer Requests

- Souls to be saved in both locations;
- The Lord to give us guidance and direction concerning the building for Saron and its continued growth;
- Outreach and growth in Cardiff;
- Development and plans over the summer for 2023 in both the churches.

Lastly, thank you all for your prayers for our eldest son David who was deployed to Eastern Europe, he has made it back Stateside safely, praise the Lord! It is and always has been an honour and privilege to serve on your behalf in the United Kingdom, we thank you dearly for your faithfulness in prayer and support. Love to all.

Till the Shout

Brother B.J. Stagner and Family

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