

The Sampsons

Missionary Evangelist (Missionary to the Missionary)

Prayer letter for January 2002

Greeting's and Happy New Year to everyone from the Windy City.....

I hope that all of you have had a restful holiday, and had time to reflect on why we are so blessed to have a risen Savior who cared enough for you and I to come and give of himself so freely that you and I might have life and have it more abundantly.

As you know in our last letter that we sent we traveled some **12,000 miles** in October and November and seen many great things since being on the road. We are excited about what God is continuing to do in this ministry.

We started out the month of December at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Joliet, Illinois where we put on a Christmas Concert and was able to also share the Christmas story through preaching and singing. Two young ladies from our home church Felicia Peterson and Nikki Evans were also there with us and played three songs that night in a piano and violin duet. Bro. David McGuire who is the music director there has asked us to come back next year and do this same preaching and singing concert again.

The next day we were at the Orchard Drive Baptist Church in Hammond, Indiana and preached and sang for Pastor Buzz Brown. We had a wonderful time there in presenting our mission work.

That evening we were with Bro. Ed Heavner at the Highland Baptist church in Highland, Indiana. Pastor Heavner has been one of my dearest friends over the years and we preached that night and seen God come in and move in a marvelous way that evening.

The following Saturday night we were at **THE PACIFIC GARDEN MISSION IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.** This was a highlight for us that month. We were there that evening to sing 6 songs before the preaching service for all the gentlemen who came in from off the streets that day. We sang to about **400 people** that night just after the taping of the "**Unshakled Program.**" We saw **12 men accept Christ that night!!!! Praise the Lord !!!!!** The next day we were at the Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago where we presented our work and preached in the A.M. service.

That evening we were with Pastor Ballard Lewis at the Roselawn Victory Baptist Church in Roselawn, Indiana where we sang, and preached and presented our work. Wow !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! What a service !!!

Dr. Moore said one time, "I sure do like it when God comes by, but I like even more when he stay's.." God hung around that night and we had a great time in the Lord...

The next two weeks we took off and attended our home church, and watched our 3 girls participate in our Church Christmas Play, and had some time to relax with people from our church, and our parent's And other family. **We did however have the honor of baptizing our 2 daughters Emily and Sarah who recently accepted Christ as Lord and Savior. Praise the Lord !!!!!!!!**

We were with Pastor Bill Hayes of the Crossroads church in Hammond on Dec. 30th and presented our work in the A.M. service. Pastor Hayes is the Pastor who married my wife and I in Oct of 1987. He has been a life long friend and we love his family dearly. That evening was a little different. We were at the local McDonald's here in our area where Ms. Doris Boulrege the store owner is a christian and is putting on Gospel concerts every Sunday night from 5:30 – 7pm We went in and sang 21 songs that night, and presented the Gospel to everyone that came in that night. We had a great time in the Lord, and told a lot of people that night about our Risen Savior..... Please pray for our family while we are on deputation. January and February will be extremely busy for us. We will give you an update next month. We love you all !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Running the Race,
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