

Dear partners in prayer,

# March 4, 2025

The past two months have had their challenges as we adjust once again to having a newborn in the house and all that comes with that, while still trying to keep on top of our various ministry opportunities and obligations. We have had a number of amazing blessings since our last update, and we are thrilled to share them with you all.

# Family News

- -We had become increasingly burdened for the salvation of Levi and Bethany, as they were clearly able to understand their spiritual condition and the penalty that they faced. Well, in the past two months Bethany got saved and then baptized, and then Levi also accepted Christ as Saviour! To God be the glory!
- -Ethan is healthy and growing well. As far as sleeping, well, let's just say he sleeps like a baby...
- -The new school year for our children has started, and Jackie is doing her best to juggle caring for a newborn and serving as teacher. Her students are in grades 6, 5, 4, 2, and K-5. It isn't easy on her, but as the Liberians often say of her "da woman strong-o!"

## **Temple Baptist Church and Dennis Town Ministry**

- -For the past 4 weeks we have gone out into the community to pass out tracts and plant the seeds of the Gospel. More than 500 tracts have been passed out, and most of those who live within walking distance • Praise and Prayer of our church have now received a tract.
- -It has been a burden on my heart to invest more in the spiritual lives of the men who are part of the teaching ministry at the church, so now every Sunday afternoon we meet to go over the lessons and texts for the upcoming week. This has improved their grasp of the Scriptures, and also led to edifying discussions.
- -All but one Sunday in 2025 has seen our attendance above 100 people! Our building still has space, but we have needed to add more seats to accommodate the increase in attendance!

-As we concluded another quarter of Sunday School lessons, we joined together with those from the Dennis Town Ministry for a final day of guizzing. We had many participate in sword drills and quoting the books of the Bible, over 130 questions were answered, and nearly 200 verses were quoted perfectly.

-The Dennis Town Bible study on Friday regularly has between 15-20, and the Sunday morning Bible study has anywhere from 35-47! The increased attendance means that they now have to have a separate class for the children because of the lack of space. They have started teaching through our church covenant, statement of faith, and constitution as an important step toward being able to see this Bible study become an independent Baptist church!

# **College Ministry**

-We currently have more than thirty students enrolled this semester, and in January, after investing 8 years into their training and preparation, we were excited to see four of our students who are already serving as pastors, graduate with their Bachelor of Theology.

#### **Looking Ahead**

-Our missions conference runs from March 9-16.

-I am preaching a youth conference April 17-20.

- Pray for grace and strength for Jackie,
  - ... Ethan's citizenship and passport process,
  - ...fruit from the Gospel seeds that have been sown.
  - ...our missions conference and youth conference.
- Praise God for growth in TBC and Dennis Town,
  - ...the salvation of Levi and Bethany,
  - ...a financial gift given to help with building projects,
  - ...the Bible students who have recently graduated,
  - ...the maturation of the church leadership!

Benjamin & Jackie Reimer and family

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(1-3) We had good turnouts for outreach, youth Bible study, and children's ministry training, (4) what a joy to baptize Bethany, (5-7) our children are getting to be a bigger part of the ministry, as Amelia and Caitlyn take some beginner ASL lessons from a missionary to the deaf, our "printshop" is in full swing, and Emma and Lexi help to carry church chairs, (8) best buddies at church, (9) the large contingent from Dennis Town.



# **Introduction to Liberian English**

**Liberian English word - born**: 1. v., To give birth. *He an hih woman born one fine pekin.* (He and his woman born one fine pekin) "He and his wife gave birth to a beautiful baby boy." 2. adj., One's biological family. Used to distinguish one's biological parents from other relatives who may be called the same name out of respect. *She my born ma.* (She my born ma.) "She's my real mother."

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