



STANSFORD Family

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MINISTRY UPDATES

Thank you so much to each church and individual who helped us with the roof project on our church building! Several churches gave money towards the project. Two pastors and two deacons from other churches as well as some friends and family came together for a week in October to put new metal roofing on our building. It was a wonderful time of fellowship, fun, and work! We praise the Lord that it is finished, and we trust that it will stand up to its 40-year guarantee!

Immediately following that project, a man that attends our church spent a couple of days helping to repaint the hallway and one room in the church that desperately needed a fresh coat of paint.

November was a busy month as we were involved in an ordination council, a local pastor's conference, giving the opening and closing prayer at a public elementary school's Remembrance Day ceremony, and preaching at a youth rally for about 30 teens. As well, we baptized a husband and wife who have been attending our church for many years. The husband made a profession of faith some time ago, and the wife recently got saved. What a blessing! We continue our monthly retirement centre services. We were an official sponsor of our local fire Department's 'Junior Fire Fighter' program during Oct/Nov by providing snacks for the teens. It is a great way to say thank you to our volunteer firefighters as well as encourage the youth in our community.

UPDATES - Continued

For a number of years we have allowed the local St. John Ambulance representative to use our Fellowship Hall to teach First Aid courses. At the beginning of every course, we hand out Gospel tracts and introduce ourselves and our church. It has allowed us to reach out to hundreds of people over the years.

PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Christmas Parade Outreach

On Saturday, December 6, we plan to take part in the Marystown and Burin Christmas parades. We have 1200 Gospel tracts to hand out along the parade routes. This is a wonderful opportunity to get the Gospel into homes in our communities.

2. Christmas Eve Service

We usually do not plan a lot of extra Christmas activities as most people are quite busy already. We have found that a traditional Christmas Eve service does bring out some visitors each year, and it is another chance to share about our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

3. Spiritual and Numerical Growth

Our attendance is small but steady. Thankfully, we are seeing some spiritual growth among the believers. We've had a few one-time visitors lately as well and would love to see them return. Thank you for upholding us in prayer!

We appreciate you! Thank you for caring for us! The Stansford Family

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