

RAPID VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Spring and Summer News

Hello to our faithful loving friends and supporters! It feels like ten years have passed since our last report and I am very sorry for leaving you all in suspense. We have been around the world and back again. We've barely had a chance to catch our breath since April, when we embarked on our month long tour of supporters in the Southwest. We started by visiting supporters in Arizona then New Mexico followed by Texas and finally Oklahoma. We were able to spend time with the four congregations that support our work along with individual supporters in the area. It was a whirlwind trip and a wonderful time to get to see our dear friends who are so important to us and to the



SUMMER CAMPAIGN SEASON

Groups from Kentucky and Texas

The week after Ozzy returned from his home assignment we launched into our summer campaigning. Brethren from the Center Church of Christ in Center, KY came up to visit and encourage us by joining us on the front lines in the work of the gospel. We spent the week studying helpful skills of evangelism, knocking doors and making contacts in regular day to day situations. Wednesday evening we hosted a cookout in the park to provide opportunity to get to know those we met door knocking. The

work here in South Dakota. Upon returning to Rapid City we were



immediately

back to work. Our main focus this year has been maturation and fortification of the new converts made last year and unfortunately we had to learn a very important lesson the hard way. While our family and the McDaniel's were visiting supporters the church in Rapid City suffered. When we returned we had to seemingly start at square one with some of the young Christians. It has taken several months to get some of the folks back to the place they were spiritually before we left. As a result Ozzy and I have decided to never again both be gone from the work here for such an extended length of time.

turnout was great and several



good contacts were established. This turned into an ongoing bible study with a couple, Wayne and Patty. Patty was invited by her cousin, Orla Wounded Knee, one of our faithful members. Please pray for their hearts to be open.

Summer Campaign continued...

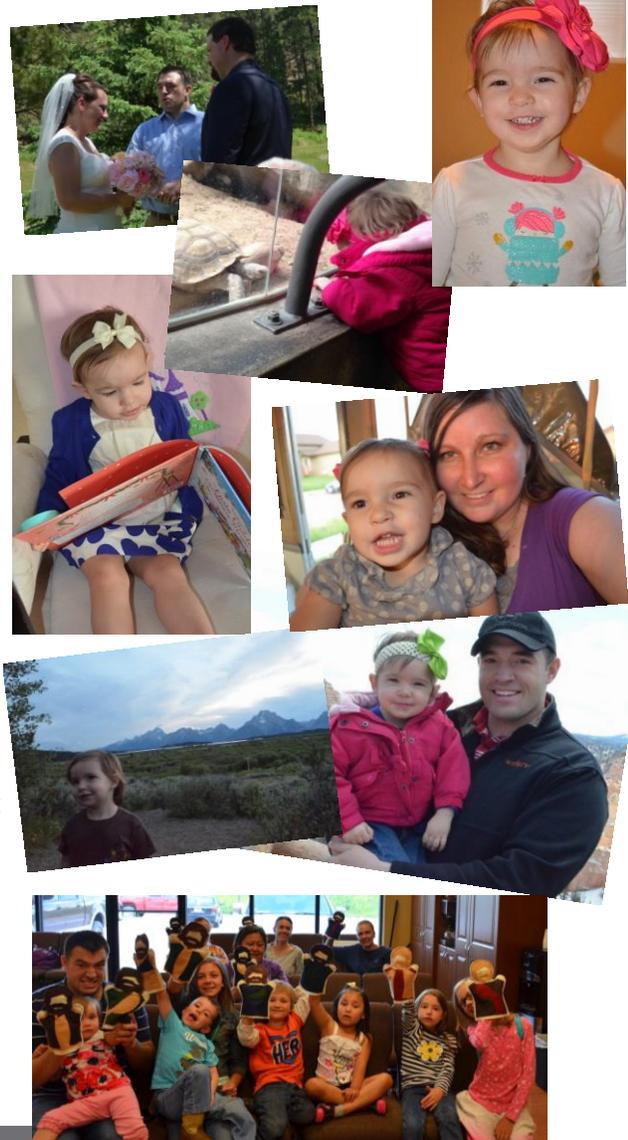
A week after the group from Center went home we had our biggest group ever come to do a campaign. The youth group along with several chaperones from Comanche Trail Church of Christ in Amarillo, Texas came to do a mission trip of a different kind with us. Though they were not new to mission trips they had only ever done service projects and never evangelism on these trips. The first day we were met with long

stares and scared teenagers, but by the end of the week everyone was bubbling with excitement and a desire to carry on their newly learned evangelism skills at home! It was an encouraging week that yielded over 30 contacts for Ozzy and me to follow up with! We are still working through the names making visits and calls to set up studies and we have had some promising leads.

ON THE HOME FRONT

Life with the Kings

What a blessed year this has been! Kassidy visited her first zoo on our way to Arizona, had her first ride in a tractor in Knott, TX, and played with her cousins in Oklahoma. We celebrated Kassidy's second birthday with all of the grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins on our trip as well. In June, we were honored to be a part of Luke and Melanie Wilgers' wedding. They lived next door when we moved to Rapid City, and in December when they decided to move to Wyoming to be closer to Luke's job, we started renting their house. They have become good friends, and are showing a little more interest in the Bible. Please pray that they will see the need for Jesus in their new marriage. July was a very busy month as we had visits from friends and family from four different states along with the two campaigns. August we finally got a chance to slow down a bit, and took our first vacation as a family to Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons. We had a great time camping out for five nights in the park and seeing elk, bison, deer, and moose. We have recently started Family Bible Club at Rapid Valley. We meet once a month on Saturday afternoon and have a bible story, craft, game, memory work, and a snack. The building we are renting is too small to have classrooms, so we have had to suspend Sunday morning bible classes for the kids for now. The kids have enjoyed this fun time together and learning about Jesus and his apostles.



We are so thankful to all of you who have made this work possible and given many the opportunity to hear about Christ! Thank you for your hearts for the lost souls in South Dakota!

Tim, Terra, and Kassidy King