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A celebration of Faith and Family!

We experienced a wonderful time of celebration this July! It's not every day that someone lives to see 90 years of life, but on July 4th, Bob, Dad, entered his 90th year of living for God! At the same time, Pete celebrated his 70th birthday. What a wonderful day family and friends had celebrating these two men. It was truly the highlight of our summer. We thank everyone who made this day such a joy.

Although Dad, Pete, and I continue to age, none of us view retirement as our future. With that said, we have traveled more this year away from ministry than in any year since our move in 1998.

This allows us to experience life with family and friends in ways we have not. It allows us to make memories that warm our hearts. In addition, it continues to allow our Native friends to take more ownership, engaging them in service to our Lord. That is exciting and rewarding to see.



For the past several years, we have celebrated our wedding anniversary in Branson, MO. It is our home away from home, and we had the privilege of celebrating our 48th anniversary with family and friends as we worshiped our Lord. We grew up on Southern Gospel music, and while we love Christian music in general, Southern Gospel allows us to remember our roots and establish new ones. It always lifts our spirits to encounter the family of God in an area we are visiting. Branson, MO, especially during the time of the "Southern Gospel Picnic," is always a time to reunite with friends and make new ones. Artists who come to Silver Dollar City state they are there to worship, to do church, not just to provide a concert, and God is glorified. I have often said it, but it bears repeating: "Branson, MO is an area where God, Family, and Country are honored and protected. It is unlike any other family-friendly tourist area that I have been to date." We are always refreshed by our visits to Branson, whether we are with family or simply by ourselves!



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As we have stated in previous newsletters, it is by the grace of God and the obedience of our Native family that ministry does not stop when we remove ourselves, and that has been the goal since 1998. Ed is one of those faithful men who serve the Lord each week without any desire to be recognized. Ed makes sure each Tuesday that the floors are swept and mopped, with tables and chairs ready to be filled by 30-50 men who come to be fed and hear the Word of God. These men are very respectful, attentive, and appreciative of what is provided for them.

The Lord has taken a few of these precious men home, like Eddie (Right). While they are terribly missed, we are grateful to have known and been loved by them. Many of these guys have made WMACC their home on Tuesdays and Sundays, and that is encouraging. Lately, Pete asked Ed (Below) if he would be willing to bring the Word to the men in our absence. Ed is not only willing but seems appreciative to be asked to fill that position. Praise the Lord!



Still, the reason we are here is to share the gospel so that others might come to know HIM as their own personal Savior like Rain has done! (Right)

Maybe we were able to see some of you this year, and for others of you, we have stayed in contact via technology. Whether we have connected in person or you have lifted us in prayer, we are continually grateful for all you provide. It takes us all working for the Kingdom to please God and bring Him glory! Blessings and

Our love to you all!

Pete and Kim

