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August Prayer Letter

Dear Praying Friends,

July was a wonderful month of blessing for us and the ministry here. We are amazed at how the Lord continues to work and bless in every direction we turn!

The greatest news that we could share with you is that one young lady, whose family has been faithfully attending our services for some time, has finally come to trust Christ as her Saviour! We have been praying for her, trying to answer her questions, and giving spiritual advice to her mother for some time. We have seen her endure many invitations under the conviction of the Holy Spirit and knew that she was close to salvation. Finally, as her family attended a good church in BC (British Columbia) while on vacation, she surrendered to the wooing of the Holy Spirit! We are so excited about her new life in Christ, and ask that you would pray for her spiritual growth.

In last month's prayer letter we mentioned that we were beginning a search for a new meeting place. We checked into several storefront facilities, but the rent for these places started at \$5,000/month (which is pretty average for here). Of course, this is far beyond anything that we could possibly afford. Many churches in Canada will rent another church building for their services, so in our searching, we considered this option as well. After several negative searches, we were finally contacted by a church that was willing to rent to us. After visiting the building, and discussing the possibilities with their pastor, we found that we would be able to rent a much larger area from this church for a cheaper cost than we have been paying at the hotel where we have been meeting! Not only this but as God continues to bless the ministry here, we would be able to expand throughout other areas of the building. As icing on the cake, this building is only 10 blocks from the hotel where we have been meeting. This was an easy and unanimous decision for the church here, and we were able to meet in this building on the first Sunday of August! We are absolutely amazed at how quickly this building was found,

and we know that it came about so quickly through the faithful, fervent prayers of God's people!

We have been working to prepare our mail out of John and Romans for some time. However, the change in our meeting location made some of the contact information on the back cover obsolete. Because of this, we had a special gathering of the church here to put stickers on each John & Romans cover so that each recipient would know where to find us. We are so thankful for the great turnout, and we were able to update over 8,000 booklets! Praise the Lord, we were finally able to get them in the mail during the first full week of August. Please pray that the Lord will bless this sowing of the seed of the Word of God throughout our area. This mail-out focuses on apartments and condominiums which do not allow us to come in and knock on doors or distribute literature.

Becky and I celebrated our 21st wedding anniversary at the end of July. We were surprised by the church here with a lovely cake, flowers, and a nice card after one of our midweek services. What a wonderful and humbling surprise!

July also saw us signing a new one-year lease on our home. We are so thankful for the good relationship that the Lord has given us with our landlord. We are praying for their salvation, and ask that you would pray with us to that end.

Words cannot explain how excited we are at all that the Lord is doing here in Edmonton. We know that what we are seeing is a result of faithfulness to the Lord in both prayer and service. Please, don't stop praying!

The Night Cometh!

