



Bangs Prayer Letter

Dear Friends,,

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It has been a little chilly here as the entire country froze and ran out of grit for the roads. It is that kind of damp cold that cuts through you, slaps you in the face and calls you bad names, but it is improving. We were fine though as it would take a lot more than that to stop us because we are under orders and orders should be obeyed. Thankfully, I was also able to get the shed power upgraded so my heater can work as I do laundry and work on my messages. We had a great new years Bible study and started this year out in singing praises to the Lord. We have been able to make the move into the community center in Cambourne, which has worked well even though the first week the heat was broken in the main hall. We also now have a closet to store things in, so I have retired the church in a box and built a pulpit. The cost of buying one was just insane, so I built it and once aged and finished, it will be fine for me. We now have song-books as my chap for music prefers them and I do not have to carry them everywhere.

We have had a few visitors, some from the local area and some from far away. We were blessed by a visit from Dr. Gib Wood and his wife, Kathy, from Rheinland Baptist Church in Germany, whom as you may remember was the man who preached when I received Christ as my Saviour. This was a great time as we were able to fellowship and he preached to my people, both on Sunday morning and in our bible study, which we held at the community center after services. We had lunch right there and once I had figured out the 15 steps it took to light the oven we cooked lasagna. I was able to show them the area, both Cambridge and Ely. We had tea and scones with clotted cream at the Almonry tea room in Ely (this was mainly for the wives). Then before I took them back to the airport, I got them fish & chips with a doner kebab, which we ate in a lay by on the Gog Magog hills overlooking Cambridge. We also had a visit from a supporting pastor, Timothy Holtsclaw, from Mount Joy, PA. He was returning to the U.S.A. from a trip to India, where he was assisting in an evangelistic effort. I drove to London and picked them up to attend our mid week service and drove them back to a hotel in London so they could sightsee early the next day. I realized two things first, I still hate driving in central London even if it is 11pm and secondly, I really could use a sat nav for those times. But, the visit was great and nobody died, even if there were some detours it was ok.

Max is continuing to grow rapidly, so I have installed little bolts on several doors in the house to prevent him getting away and into mischief before I can reach the door. The speed and efficiency in which a child can cause injury and damage or even just a mess is astounding. But, he is a joy, even the other day when we prayed over dinner he said amen. He also assisted me in putting together a laundry basket, I held the parts and he operated a battery powered screwdriver to put the screws in, he will be 2 in April. Laura is doing well. Unfortunately, I overdid my exercises and developed Achilles tendonitis, but I was able to see a physiotherapist after only a month (originally it was going to be 3 months) and was given some exercises to do and will be fitted with some new arch supports.

Next month we will have more folks stopping by back on the way from India, as well as a business meeting concerning budgets and missions and more Bible teaching times. We do ask for prayer that God would grant wisdom in exactly how to proceed in this next year of ministry. We pray for you that God would help and protect you and strengthen the Church. We cannot do what we do without you, and none of us can do anything without Christ.

In Christ,

Donavan Laura & Max Bangs

“For how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? Or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?” Esther 8:6