

Rasnake Family Church planting in California

February - March 2013

Dear Faithful Supporters,

The new year has begun quickly. Here in California we have been busy in the work of God and blessed to see growth in His work as well. Merced Baptist Church had their mission conference in February. We were able to share more about our plans for starting Liberty Baptist Church. At this conference, many new members were introduced to Faith Promise Missions Giving, and by God's grace they have determined to reach out even more in the coming year. After the mission conference, Merced Baptist Church was able to see the fruit of their Saturday outreach by setting new attendance records leading up to Easter Sunday. It is exciting to see the church growing and refreshing to experience their desire to learn more about God. I was also able to see one of our new teenagers accept Christ as his personal Savior. Please pray with us that we will see continued growth here in Merced, that the church would be able to find a larger place for services, and that God would bring others into positions as we transition out to Madera.

During the last several months we have been able to make several trips to Madera. During this time we have seen more of the city and the need of this city. It is truly religious but, 'denying the power there of'. During our visits we have been working with some of the city employees and have started to develop some relationships with them. It is our desire that these first contacts might come to the opening services at Liberty Baptist Church. As we begin to develop materials for distribution and seek to find a meeting place for the church, we will be visiting churches in the area to raise up some more support for the church plant. Please pray that God will raise the money that is needed and that we will be safe as we travel.

In all of the hurry to gather things for the church and the work at Merced Baptist Church, we are looking to move down to Madera in the coming months. God has begun to open up some opportunities and we are excited to see what He will provide. Once we get to Madera we would like to begin making more contacts in the town. If you know of friends or family that live in Madera or the surrounding area, please e-mail me their information so that we can make contact with them. You can e-mail that to reachingca@gmail.com. Please remember to include your name, relation, and what church you attend. Amber and I are excited about what God has prepared for us in Madera. Thank you so much for all of your prayers and support.

Reaching Madera,

David Rasnake



