



THE Rasnake Family

Church planting in California

September – October 2013

Dear Faithful Supporters,

The last three months seem to have taken just a day to pass by. We have hit the road on the weekends, found a place for our church services, and begun printing material for the new church. It hardly seems like two more months have passed and yet there is much to be able to share.

With everything that is going on it has been difficult to get back into the swing of traveling. Over the last several weeks we have visited a number of churches across the central valley of California. During this time we have been able to establish relationships with other pastors within an hour drive. We have also received numerous commitments to help distribute information across Madera. One of my current projects is to divide the town into visitation blocks and prepare for when these churches come and help us beginning in February. Along with churches in the central valley, we have been able to visit some churches in Southern California while also being a part of a pastor's conference as well. In the coming weeks we still have some more meetings as well as a church planting conference. Please pray that through these meetings we will be able to raise the remainder of our support needs.

Since moving to Madera, we have been searching for a meeting place for the church. We visited several perspective sites and the conditions were rough and the price was high. The final place we looked at seemed the best from pictures we had seen and the cost was amazingly inexpensive. When we arrived to look at the building the secretary informed us that another church had just asked to start using the property on Sundays. We asked her when they would be using the building expecting that we would not be able to use this facility. When she returned she informed us that they only had service from 2-4pm on Sunday afternoon. Isn't it amazing how God works out the details? We will be able to use this facility for both Sunday services and will be able to hold a midweek service here as well. This facility has a main hall that can seat more than 100, a kitchen that we will be able to use, and also a separate conference room to use for an additional class area. There is no cost for the use of chairs at the facility and the rent is just \$80 per day. We are so thankful for how the Lord has brought this together and worked out the details. We are confident that He will supply the finances needed to rent this facility.

With our new travels and March quickly approaching for the start of Liberty Baptist Church, we have several items sent to be printed. We have already received some cards to pass out while we are traveling, and thanks to a wonderful church here in California we have placed an order for 15,000 tracts to be delivered in December. I am excited to start introducing Liberty Baptist Church to the community as well as begin to meet more of the community. We have also placed an order for 20,000 John and Romans which will be distributed in February and March. In addition to the printing needs we have begun to gather some materials for the beginning of Liberty Baptist. We still have need of some basic items like offering plates, communion set, signs, and other printing needs (bulletins, visitor packets, etc.). If you could help in providing for some of these needs please contact me at (559) 474-1808. By the end of the year we will have a more detailed list on our missions website (www.reachingca.weebly.com). I would also like to encourage you to visit the church's website at www.libertybcmadera.org. Soon I will be putting together our plan for reaching every door in Madera and posting it on the church's website. It is possible that some of this will require direct mailings as some communities are closed to the public.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers. As we are traveling, pray for our safety. While we plan and prepare for the church plant, pray that God will have freedom and that I will follow His leading. Finally, pray for the people in the city of Madera. I just talked with a man today that was frustrated with his 'religion' because they are teaching things that are not in the Bible. I am excited to hear of people hungry for God's Word. Thank you for all of your prayers and support.

Reaching Madera,

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