



The Rasnake Family

Church Planting In California

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Dear Faithful Supporters:

A New Year has begun, and both new and familiar faces have been at Liberty Baptist Church. My last prayer letter mentioned a man that we have been missing for several months. With the change to our Mid-week service, I took the opportunity to go by and talk to him and his wife, who has never attended. What was intended to be just a five minute 'Hello' turned into a 45 minute conversation. Since then he has been to every mid-week service. We are excited to have him back with us but still very concerned about his spiritual needs. Please continue to pray for him and our Old Testament Survey class on Thursday nights.

Besides starting the Survey class on Thursday nights, I have started to encourage our church to participate in a Bible Reading Challenge. Each week we keep track of what days we read the 'Walking in the Word' Bible reading series. Participation was not very good starting off this year, so for February we are trying to increase the participation each week. Please pray that we will encourage one another to stay in the Bible daily. It is my desire that through this development of a consistent daily quiet time, we will see growth in everyone at Liberty Baptist Church.

If you remember back to last February, we had a major leak in the children's Sunday school class. The source of the leak was an issue that the landlord had to repair and has been putting off. Thankfully this repair has finally been made. Now we just need a good rain to test the fix and make sure that it will not leak again. Unfortunately this seems to be a dry year and we have not received nearly the same amount of snow and rain that we had last year.

Over the last several weeks I have been doing a series about "Choices". We have taken a look at Bible Characters and the choices they have made. We then discuss similar choices that we face in our life and how they are impacting others and ourselves. This has been an opportunity to address some big decisions that need to be made in our spiritual walk. Over the last few weeks I believe that the Lord has been working in people's hearts, but the devil desires to distract them from these decisions. Please pray that we will all follow through with the decisions that God has given us.

Over the holidays we had a visitor during our Christmas Eve service. We are praying that she will come back and visit with us again. Thank you for all of your faithful prayers and support over the last year and as we move forward serving the Lord in the New Year.

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