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Dear Friends of the Gospel,

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“God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.”
I Corinthians 1:9

I am very thankful for God's faithfulness! Without it, what would I do? So often I don't see what I want to see in the ministry. Souls being saved, this church growing, men being called to preach and sent out; these are all hopes we have that one day will become a reality because God is faithful. We don't see it yet, physically, but I see it with eyes of faith and I can't quit, because God is Faithful! Pray for this dark area! Men's hearts are so hardened to the Gospel. Thank you for being faithful to us and for not giving up on us. We know you desire fruit here, maybe as much as we do. Thank you!

My daughter, Unity, received Jesus as her Saviour on the 30th of July and I was honored to baptize her on August 6th! What a blessing!! “I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.” (III John 1:4) Please pray for her as she grows in the Lord. She has already shown much fruit!

Grandma Trudy has started a ministry in our local nursing home. She goes in twice a week (plus on Fridays with us as a church) and reads the Bible or books about spiritual subjects to whoever will gather with her. She normally has about 8-10 ladies gathered around her as she reads. Grandma Trudy is turning 86 in November! Just shows you are never too old (or too young) to serve the Lord! HALLELUJAH!

I reported in our last letter about our van dying. I am blessed to announce that all the funds for the new bus have come in!!! Thank you to the following churches for giving: Little River BC (Spring Lake, NC), Tri-County BC (Osseo, WI), Solid Rock Deaf BC (Colo. Springs, CO), Faith BC (Colo. Springs, CO), and Ellicott BC (Ellicott, CO). Y'all will never know how much this meant to us. It goes way beyond the dollar amounts! God bless y'all! The bus has been in the shop getting some repairs done and hopefully we will be picking it up soon. I also want to say a special thank you to First Baptist Church of Peaceful Valley in Colorado Springs. They have been letting us borrow their 15 passenger bus since the van broke down. What a blessing! Thank you!!

My wife and I will be celebrating our 20th wedding anniversary on September 13th!! What a blessing she has been in my life. Without her encouragement and prayers I am not sure I would be where I am today. She is a true Proverbs 31 lady! “Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.” (Proverbs 18:22) I SURE HAVE!

Thank you all for your prayers, support, letters, and cards. Each is a special blessing to us.

On the Firing Line,
Mike Thornsley and Family

**Under the Authority of:
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and resurrection on the second day; and the return of Jesus and the judgments to follow on the third day. Thank God for His Word and It's power! I was disappointed that nobody showed up but God has shown me to just keep pressing toward the mark! He is worthy!

Bro. Perkins' three oldest girls Hannah, Sarah, and Leah and my boys JP and Nate (Michael was working) all helped tremendously during the NBC. These teenagers wrote out the memory verses on poster board, came up with a daily skit, put together games, and led the singing! What a blessing! I'm glad they got the opportunity to serve God and use their talents for him.

On the first day of our NBC our faithful van gave up the ghost. After 200,000 miles of faithful service I spun a bearing in the engine. We have needed a bigger vehicle for over a year. When Liberty was born we had to use two vehicles to go anywhere as a family. I didn't know what we were going to do. I have not had the money to even think about getting another vehicle. We have desired a 15 passenger (or more) shuttle bus. These have much better head space and room than the regular vans and my boys really need that room. LOL! Well, a church has decided to sell us their 20 passenger shuttle bus for \$5,000.00! HALLELUJAH! We hope to pick it up soon. Some have already expressed a desire to help us pay for this blessing. Tri-County Baptist Church in Osseo, WI, THANK YOU for the \$2,000 sent for this bus. Thanks to my home church that is taking up an offering this week. Thank you to Lighthouse Baptist Church for selling us the bus at a great price!! If anyone else would like to help us in this purchase you may send it to our home church and mark it as "Thornsley Bus Fund". There are a few things that we will have to get worked on so any gift is a blessing and a help. God bless you!

Our family is doing well! Michael left today (8/3) for a Christian football camp in Illinois. Pray for his safety and that he will allow God to work on him at the camp. All of the kids are doing well in school. I'm so thankful for my wife who agreed, before we ever got married, to be a stay-at-home wife and mother. She is a wonderful teacher and works hard to ensure the kids get a good education. The public schools will be starting again this month and so I will be back to bus driving. Pray for this ministry that God will open doors to proclaim the Gospel to the kids and my co-workers. Pray as I work at the post office and the furniture store that God will use me as a witness. Pray for my online surplus business to start getting customers. Pray for our nursing home ministry. Pray for our church plants. It is discouraging to not see visitors but we press on. I am grateful for Bro. Fred and his wife, Sister Sue, for their faithfulness to church at the Deer Mountain Baptist Mission. Pray for them to keep growing and for God to bless their efforts in inviting folks to church.

Thank you for all your faithful prayers, support, and love. We do not forget your labor of love. We pray for y'all often too. God bless y'all!!

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