

Dear Friend,

This month, in addition to reporting to you about the ministry we do on the road, we would also like for you to know about some exciting things on the home front.

Now in our fourth year of homeschooling, the girls and I (Debbie) are hard at work on a daily basis. I praise the Lord for the opportunity to speak His truth into the hearts and minds of our children as we explore history, science, literature and many other disciplines. Zach jumps in where he can. He can say the Pledge of Allegiance and is learning the Shema (Deuteronomy 6:4-9) as the girls recite it each morning. Mike begins the day teaching the children lessons on character, and we end each day with family devotions. It is our hearts' desire to be missionaries and godly examples in our home, as well as when we are "up in front" of the church body.

In our home church, a wonderful opportunity was presented to us. Mike's traveling schedule was lighter this fall, but it seems to have been an opening that God provided for Mike to give a new kind of leadership in our church, Greater Gresham Baptist. He has begun a new Adult Bible Fellowship class on Sunday mornings. We are reaching a niche of people, many of whom were simply not involved in small groups prior to this. God has already created a sweet fellowship in the four weeks we've been meeting. Mike will work over the next weeks to build an operational team of leaders so that when he begins heavier traveling next year, they will be ready to step in.

In addition, Open Door Baptist Church (where we attend Wed. night bible study and our children are involved in AWANA) was quick to invite Mike to preach a four week series while he is in town. On October 12th, Mike began preaching a series on marriage entitled, "Fanning the Flame." (See schedule [right] for the rest of the dates of this message series. Please pray for the marriages of this church to be strengthened and challenged by God's word this month.)

We were on the road the weekend of September 16-18. Mike led a youth retreat for Oak Harbor Southern Baptist, as well as preached a challenge to parents and other adults during the Sunday morning worship service. Students were challenged by Mike's teaching series from the book of Joshua to "Step Out" and live a unique lifestyle as a follower of Jesus and leave a "God print" on this planet. Topics Mike covered over the weekend included: courage, preparedness, obedience, and waiting on the Lord.

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Simply Devoted, Debbie and Mike



Teaching Teens,
Oak Harbor Southern Baptist



Youth at work
during retreat @ Oak Harbor

Up Coming Ministry Events

- Oct. 19 Open Door Baptist Church Troutdale, OR - Fanning the Flame (Marriage Series)
- Oct 26 Open Door Baptist Church Troutdale, OR- Fanning the Flame (Marriage Series)
- Nov 2 Open Door Baptist Church Troutdale, OR- Fanning the Flame (Marriage Series)
- Nov 4-6 Terrace Heights Baptist Yakama, WA - Men's Conference & AM Service

Every Monday Night: Men of Simplicity

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