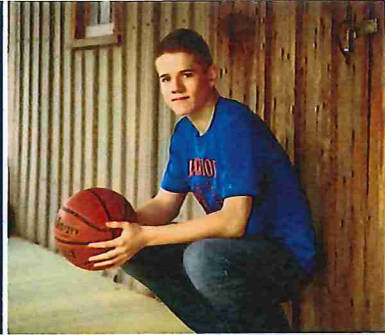
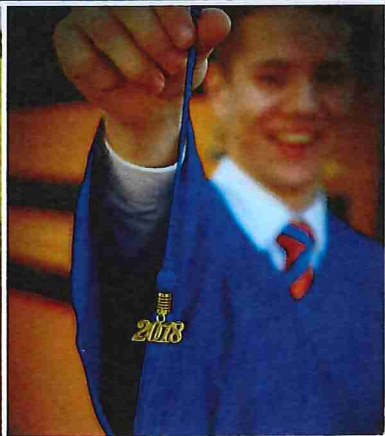
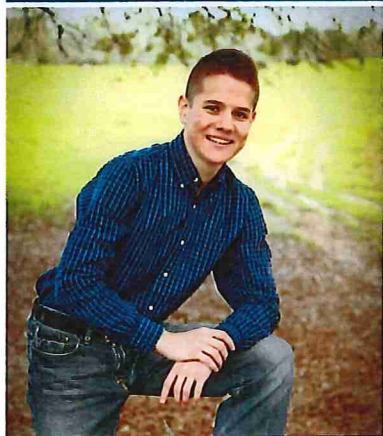


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Dear Pastor, Church & Praying friends,

*"And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink." Luke 5:7*

### ON HOME SOIL...

March was spent on the road, causing me to think on this Scripture... How essential, & how wonderful that the Lord allows us to beckon to our partners to help us in prayer as we go! How precious the local New Testament church! As we labour together in our respective ships, may the Lord continue to fill *both ships* with souls & changed lives! Both the anchored ship of your local church, and the sailing ship of the missionary! Amen!

**Youth conference...** I was privileged to preach a youth missions conference to over 100 Romanian young people in Ohio! What a blessing it was to teach and preach not only in English, but in Romanian again! There were many testimonies, but one in particular was as sure as you could wish to hear... *"I have been praying, but now I know the Lord is calling me to be a missionary!"* **THANK GOD** He continues to call out from among this young generation. OH, how we must pray for them...

**Missionary Classes...** traveling back late Sunday night after youth conference, the Lord saw me safely into TN for the first of this year's Missionary Classes Monday morning at Rock of Ages. Among the new missionaries was Brother Zsolt Kovacs from Hungary, with a great burden to see the prison work grow in his home country. Brother Zsolt has been serving for some time in the Hungarian prisons, led by Brother Mike Van Horn. Having lived in neighbouring Romania for many years, it was a personal joy for me to spend time with Brother Zsolt & work together on visa paperwork. *Please pray the Lord would allow a smooth process.*

**...And privileged to see three professions while prison-preaching with my Preacher!** My local church made its regular visit to prison in Cottonport, LA where I thoroughly enjoyed preaching together with my Preacher!!! We rejoiced in a tremendous service blessed of God, and saw **3 men profess Christ as Lord Saviour!** One of our faithful young men in church (who's name is David), came not knowing if he would be allowed in, due to changes in paperwork. But God got him in, and he personally led 2 of those men to the Lord... And **both were also called DAVID!** What an encouragement for him! Now only the Lord could do that!

### INDIA...

Pastor Thanga is still seeing 150+ men coming to services. We still pray for the possibility to meet with the men after services. Please keep praying... this would be a HUGE answer to prayer in the religious environment he is working in. After his last visit Pastor Thanga wrote: *"Was amazing. God is use me marvelous, can hardly believe! I preach "God good all the time... or you just say is like that?" I tell inmates we must be rejoice to share the love of God to our room mate."* Pastor is working hard making missionaries behind bars, teaching those who have professed Christ to witness & disciple others. Pray for him & for the saved in prison!

### BRAZIL...

Thank you for praying! I traveled with Brother Michael Adams to help oversee Missions School and teach the first round of Leadership Training for our 4 longer-serving national missionaries. Our aim was to see 75% of Missions School taught in Portuguese. Praise the Lord, we were right at 80%! Our desire is the transition be completed next year & the Brazilian team take 100% of the school. Leadership Training proved to be a time of deep challenge for all concerned, me included! *Oh, how sweet the conviction of the Blessèd Holy Ghost!* We trust the Lord has begun something wonderful at a new level in the lives of these men. Amen.

**AND FINALLY...** I thank our God for you! Let us continue to labour together, looking unto Him to **fill both ships!** **Amen & Amen!**

*Brother Mark Waddington & family*

### **Praise:**

- **The desire in this generation to do something for God!**
- **3 professing Jesus as Lord & Saviour in prison!**
- **How God is working through Pastor Thanga in India!**

### **Prayer Requests:**

- **Young people who made commitments at conference**
- **Those who have professed Christ at prison, in LA & India!**
- **India: Opportunity to talk with prisoners after service**

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*"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before...." Philippians 3:13*

### *"Re-set" for 2018... and every day!*

The more I think on this verse the more I realise how I need personally to apply it. Yet not only "those things which are behind" in the way of old ways, but to apply even to the "successful" times, the high points of ministry. I thank God I can look back over 2017 to God's goodness, His touch on sermons, on witnessing, on the ministry. But as encouraging as those things are, I certainly can't afford to live on *those things which are behind!* So it's not only "re-set" for 2018, but this year I pray to "re-set" after every small success, recognizing that no good thing is of me, every "success" is of HIM, and let us "reach forth unto those things which are ahead" in 2018!

### *A busy start...*

Over Christmas and New Year I had the opportunity to preach in Romania again at a Romanian Baptist church! From the privilege to preach missions the first of the year, I've been asked to preach a youth missions conference in March. Young adults from different areas will gather for a challenge on missions. The first week of January was in Chattanooga preaching revival services and seeing hearts stirred and decisions made for the Lord. The Rock of Ages office was next for two days of meetings, and from there drove directly to a missions service in Mississippi. After services, I drove back home in my first experience of "freezing rain." (In all my years in the deep snow of Romania, I had never heard of freezing rain, and officially decided I *don't* like it!) I thank God for His safe-keeping for a 3-hour journey that normally takes 1½(!), especially pulling a trailer-load! February took us to Crestview, Florida to preach a Missions Conference. A tremendous week saw God work in & through His people! Among many testimonies was a lost law enforcement officer that decided to come to church but couldn't make it because of shifts, so stopped at the church for prayer; and a young couple living together (being friends of a church member and witnessed to), realized their need of a Saviour, prayed and received Jesus as Lord, then got married the very next day to put things in order before God!

### *Annual Alabama Prison Campaign...*

Preparations for the Campaign is surely a challenge, but *oh, the rewards are eternal!* Final totals are included with this prayer letter but in brief, a total of **241 professions of faith**, including 3 at McDonalds, 1 at Wendy's, and a prison officer praying to accept Jesus! I met Steve in prison. Steve had a few months to serve and his wife & children told him they were praying for him. I asked Steve if he knew where he would go if he died... He didn't, and I had the privilege of leading him through the Scriptures to the Lord! He was due to call his wife and children that evening and couldn't wait to tell them!

### *Salvation in prison services at Manipur Prison, India...*

A few days ago, talking with Pastor Thanga in Manipur, India I asked him how the prison services had gone. These were his words: **"Yes sir, today we have altar call and many raise hand want to receive Jesus!"** He & brother Khailam are still refused the possibility of meeting with the men after services in Manipur jail. **PLEASE PRAY WITH US ABOUT THIS!**

### *Coming up in March & April...*

Among other things: Missions Sunday in MS; Youth Missions Conference in OH; RoA Missionary Candidate Class Week in TN; Missions Sunday in TX; Missions School to be taught & Leadership Training given in Brazil.

### *Brother Mark Waddington & family*

#### **Praise:**

- **The hand of God at Missions Conference!**
- **Professions of faith during Alabama Campaign!**
- **Salvation in Manipur Jail, India!**

#### **Prayer Requests:**

- **For every person that confessed Jesus as Lord**
- **Pastor Thanga: chance to speak with inmates after service**
- **For new missionary families coming to Candidate Classes**



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# 2018 ALABAMA CAMPAIGN

COORDINATOR	PRISON	ATTENDANCE			TOTAL ATT	SALVATION			TOTAL SALVATION
		TUE	WED	THU		TUE	WED	THU	
D. ROTH	KILBY	199	208	343	750	18	20	38	76
M. NEW	DRAPER	17	35	38	90	3	0	3	6
T. MARTIN	ELMORE	95	66	68	229	8	1	2	11
R. McKINNEY	ELMORE JAIL	168	102	82	352	46	10	8	64
L. KEY	AUTAUGA	21	-	19	40	11	-	3	14
J. BELLAMY	Mt. MEIGS	17	39	26	82	8	11	16	35
G. SEBAST	FRANK LEE	21	19	16	56	3	4	0	7
K. JAMES	TUTWILER	-	-	44	44	-	-	0	0
R/J HILDEBRAND	MONTGOMERY FEMALE INST.	9	31	19	59	0	0	0	0
E. PETERS	MONTGOMERY FEDERAL	All visitation cancelled due to internal issues taking priority							
J. DAVISON	STATON	22	42	49	113	4	6	3	13
L. KEY	HOMELESS	30	-	8	38	9	-	1	10
OTHER	McDonalds	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
	Wendys	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	Prison Officer, Mount Meigs	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>599</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>241</b>