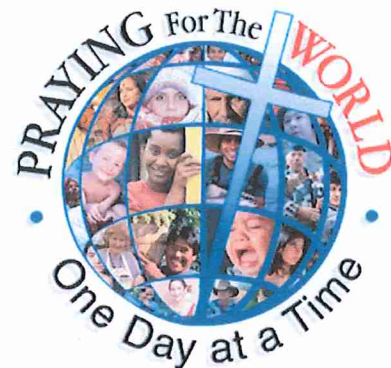


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Dear Friends in Christ,

This has been a sad time for us lately. The month of June wasn't too kind. Our stay at SMITE this year was interrupted as my older brother Larry was sick in Texas and I had to go talk with him one more time about being saved. It never worked out for him as he believed that believing in a Supreme Being was sufficient. That's just about the world's view. Believe in a Supreme Being and be as good as you can. Of course no one has ever determined how good you must be or believe. On June 19<sup>th</sup> Capt. Larry Hicks passed away. Being the preacher of the family, I preached my dad's funeral as well as my mother, Larry's wife, Larry's daughter-in-law and then Larry's. About two days after Larry died, his son, David had a heart attack and died.

Our granddaughter, Victoria, Mark's daughter, was six months along in her pregnancy when the baby's movement stopped. The doctor tested and confirmed that the baby had died. Medication was given to induce labor and a perfectly formed little "Noland" was delivered. The umbilical cord was wrapped twice around his neck. It's so sad to think that people abort perfectly healthy babies because they don't want the responsibility of raising the child. Jesus had some important things to say about children. "And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when his disciples saw *it*, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them unto him and said, **Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein,**" Luke 18:15-17.

I missed being at SMITE for the entire meeting. But, as usual, the turnout was good, there were xxx kids who were saved, and a good number of SMITE students who surrendered to fulltime Christian service. In a world where teen agers are doing drugs, alcohol, and promiscuous sex in record numbers, it is such a blessing to see young people giving their lives to the Lord.

We have a number of people we are working with in the area who need to be saved. Pray about our witnessing here and as we travel.

Yours for souls,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bro. Hicks".

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