



March-April  
2026

# The Last Frontier

## Prayer Requests:

- Please pray for our church attendance to grow, and for our outreaches.
- Pray for us to see people saved and baptized
- Pray for the church to have a new roof. This one leaks
- Pray for our church to become self-sufficient
- We are praying for an all-wheel drive vehicle for the winter.
- Pray for wisdom about our church sewer drain system situation



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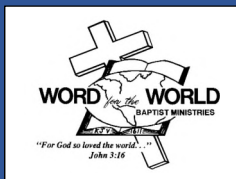
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**“Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.”—Luke 10:2**

The month of March started out pretty slow as we saw a drop in our attendance. We’ve had a record amount of snowfall and high winds, and it always seemed to happen just before Church services. Soul winning was difficult with the weather and the timing of it, but we saw one person come to a saving faith in Christ while door-knocking, and we have had some excellent conversations about the gospel with people who, while they did not get saved, still listened to me and understood it.

One blessing in March is that one of our church goers, was standing outside and another homeless man approached him to speak. He had been passing through town looking for work. They spoke for a couple of hours and the next day on a Wednesday evening, he came to church with a testimony about their conversation. He said, “This is the kind of church I want to come to!” After I got done preaching, the Lord led me to give an invitation. He came down the aisle in tears. This was the first time we had someone come down the aisle during an invitation since we opened. It was a significant milestone for us. It was a very special service and he was grateful for it.

In March I as able to go to the men’s retreat at Victory Bible Camp. I have been praying to God for some time as to what it is that He would have me to do next in our church. I prayed for direction and I believe I got that direction while in camp. The preaching there was phenomenal. I was speaking to a man from Bible Baptist Church in Fairbanks that heads up an addictions recovery ministry called Reformer’s Unanimous. He spoke to me about some verses that are found in Luke chapter fourteen about bringing in the lame, the halt, and the blind. God impressed upon my heart to start an addictions recovery meeting by faith.

The next day during my morning devotions, the Bible text I was reading happened to be in Luke chapter fourteen. That entire chapter so heavily impressed upon me to start a recovery ministry that it brought me to tears. I surrendered to the will of God in the matter. I decided to start an addictions ministry called “Free Indeed”. We will be starting it after July 4<sup>th</sup> and will be meeting on Friday mornings. Please pray that we will have people genuinely interested in this as I believe it can be a real help to others.

The weekend I went to go to the meeting Satan attacked us. Although we had replaced every part in our car (including the radiator) yet the thermostat gave out and the car was overheating. I was on my way to camp in a rental car, while Marla was driving back. She had to pull over a few times to let it cool down. I could not do anything until I got back. When I got back, I discovered the radiator cap had done its job and unscrewed a little, letting fluid leak all over the engine. When I brought it to the mechanic, they informed me of the thermostat problem and it cost \$993.00 to fix! I also had to pay my taxes in a few days. I paid the bill, but had to pray for the money to cover it so I could pay my taxes. God answered that prayer when someone from one of our supporting churches called me about it and told me they would like to reimburse me for the invoice. I am so thankful for the people who love and support us!

The last part of April we had three visitors from out of State as well as a returning visitor from earlier in March. Please keep our church’s sewer drain situation in prayer. It has been backing up every two or three weeks and costs us \$400 each time to have a clean out done with no end in sight. We think it has to do with the City, but they are unwilling to do anything about it.