

The Smith Family Church Planters to Nova Scotia Canada



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Dear Church and Praying Friends,

I Peter 1:8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, <u>ye rejoice with joy</u> unspeakable and full of glory:

Winter has been long and brought many, bitter cold days, as our fireplace was lit in early October and still going strong, putting us through roughly 10 cord of wood. However, the Holy Spirit has kept the fires of the church burning just as solid. Our hearts continue to rejoice and be amazed at the goodness of God throughout this past year. We have had 200+ first time visitors and seen many wonderful new faces return, with some becoming faithful attendees and joining the church. We have given out over 7,500 pieces of gospel literature while knocking on over 6,000 doors, enabling us to completely go through the city nearly 1½ times. People throughout the community are continuing to talk about the church in a positive way. One of the most exciting parts of the ministry is seeing new Christians grow in the Lord, as well as mature Christians renewing their vision of God's work and Word. Many are extremely excited about getting back out door knocking after the weather breaks up and look forward to seeing what the Lord is going to do in this new year.

When we purchased our building, we knew it was going to need a new roof. We began to pray and seek direction from the Lord. As estimates came in at around \$44,000 we took a few special offerings which raised close to \$4,500. In addition, a visitor who came to our Anniversary service saw the need and gave an offering of \$12,500. The Lord continued to prove Himself faithful by providing the additional \$27,000 through Jehovah Jireh Ministries. What a tremendous answer to prayer!

I have had a particularly rough time with my recovery from the ankle surgery. I have begun strengthening exercises in Physio and things seem to begin to be better as far as activity goes.

On the home front, Elisabeth is doing great in her recovery, and Sarah has fully recovered from her surgery. The rest of the family is doing well, and we were able to go down to Maine and enjoy a few days with our son Bradley and his family, welcoming our first granddaughter into our family. With spring coming, we are planning some projects on the house that the Lord provided for us last fall.

Our theme this year is "Victory In Jesus". I have been challenging the church to do more in their Christian walk this year, as we can all do more in service for the Lord. Please pray that our church moves forward in a greater way this year as everyone is getting more involved in services. We are thrilled with the great things that are happening as we push forward in the Lord.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

Living by Faith,

Rob Smith and Family

Prayer Requests:

Roof installed on the church Souls to be saved More faithful families to join our church My ankle to fully recover - rehab Elisabeth's knee recovery - rehab