



February/March 2010 Newsletter
**The Grove Family to
New Zealand**

*Forgetting Things and
remembering people...*

God is using our deputation to teach us many things. In Philippians 3:13-14 Paul wrote he wanted to forget the things of the past, yet, he did not say he wanted to forget the people he met along the way. We, like Paul, choose to press forward to the things that are before us.

The Grove family is pressing forward toward our "things." We press forward in the direction of New Zealand toward our goal of working with the young people pictured above and others who need to hear what Jesus did for them on the Cross. While there are some "things" we would like to forget; there are many people we won't forget.

This past month we were reminded of just that thought. Our deputation travel to churches to present our ministry also allowed us the privilege of visiting with old friends from college days and our home church. We presented our ministry in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, West Virginia, Michigan, and Indiana! Two of the churches are pastored by former college roommates who had an impact on my life.

While in Alabama I spent an afternoon in prison! Pastor Tom Woodfin of Tri City Baptist Church in Millbrook, AL and Chaplain in the Elmore State Prison gave me the unique opportunity to observe his duties. I visited Christian men, saw four men baptized (including one former witch), and preached in the Elmore State Prison. These were people I will truly remember and take with me lessons that I learned.

Two new churches have added us to their missions family. They are Living Word Baptist in Sweet Valley, PA and Emmanuel Baptist in Keene, NH. This brings our support level to 50% of what is needed to go in late September, or October for a 6 month term.

Our plan is to assist Victory Baptist Church in Ashburton, New Zealand on the South Island. They have been without a Pastor for over a year and are anxiously awaiting our arrival. Victory Baptist is the only Gospel preaching church within a 50 mile radius. It is critical for that region to have a stable, indigenous, and independent Baptist church.

Please continue to pray that God will get us there in His timing. Thank you again to all those who are assisting us! We are Grateful!

In His Service,
The Grove Family

Itinerary:

March 10,11

**Northeast Baptist Church
Independence, MO**

March 14

**Pear Park Baptist Church
Grand Junction, CO**

March 17

**Eagle Baptist Church
Eagle, CO**

March 21

**Moab Baptist Church
Moab, UT**

March 21-24

Twin Falls, ID

March 28

**Calvary Baptist Church
Bremerton, WA**

March 31

**Cornerstone Baptist Church
Brush Prairie, WA**

April 4

**Portland, OR area
Open – Please pray**

April 7

**Greater Portland Baptist Church
Portland, OR**

April 11

**Westside Baptist Church
Eugene, OR**

April 14

**Faith Baptist Church
Puyallup, WA**

April 15

**Open Door Baptist Church
Des Moines, WA**

April 18

**Bellingham Baptist Church
Bellingham, WA**

April 21

**Lincoln Park Baptist Church
Wenatchee, WA**

April 25

**Chewallah Baptist Church
Chewallah, WA**

April 28

**Liberty Baptist Church
Spokane, WA**

May 2

**Dillon Baptist Church
Dillon, MT**

Current Support List:

**-Eagle Heights Baptist, Kansas City,
MO**

**-South Haven Baptist, Springfield,
TN**

-Individual Family, Kansas City, MO

**-Heritage Bible Baptist, Kansas
City, MO**

**-Desert Gateway Baptist, Gilbert,
AZ**

-Sonrise Baptist, Tucson, AZ

**-Calvary Ind. Baptist, Huntingdon,
PA**

-Trinity Baptist, Wilson, NC

-Shenandoah Baptist, Cleveland, TN

**-Love Valley Baptist, Kings
Mountain, NC**

-Individual Family, Tampa, FL

-Individual, Huntingdon, PA

**-Verity Baptist, Colorado Springs,
CO**

**-Living Word Baptist, Shickshinny,
PA**

-Emmanuel Baptist, Keene, NH

Prayer Requests and Praises:

-Opportunities to see souls saved

**-Hearts to be moved to do more for
missions**

**-Praise the Lord for getting us
through the flu bug!**

-Praise God for new support!

**-God's blessing on His faithful
people despite the circumstances
around us!**