



Daniel Family Update

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*Psalm 40:16 Let such as love thy salvation say continually,
The LORD be magnified.*

Aren't you thankful for the great salvation that the Lord has provided you? "Of course!" you say? Well, the psalmist says that you should be continually magnifying the Lord.

What comes to mind when you hear magnify? Perhaps you had some childhood adventures with a magnifying glass. Do you recall the kind of power that could be brought to bear when you allowed that glass to magnify the sun? Why of course you remember what could be done! With a clear, sunny sky, a magnifying glass, and a little patience you could easily learn what James meant by "Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!"

Well, God operates through us just as the sun does through a magnifying glass. A normal piece of glass doesn't have the same effect as a prop-

erly shaped piece. A dirty piece of glass will not have the same effect as a clean piece. Even a properly shaped and clean piece of glass will not produce fire without a great source of light. We, like the illustration of the glass, have no power of our own. No, it is only when we are saved, shaped, cleaned, and focused on the Son that God channels His power through us to accomplish anything.

You cannot magnify the Lord unless you are saved, but what is sad is that many that claim to be saved will not magnify Him because they refuse to be shaped by God and because they are content to remain dirty with sin.

John tells us that if you love Him you will "keep His commandments." The psalmist says that if you love His salvation you will exalt and

magnify Him. The psalmist refused to hide God's righteousness, faithfulness, salvation, lovingkindness and truth (40:10) in spite of the fact that he was surrounded by his enemies (40:12).

I believe that I know what people mean when they pray for the Holy Spirit to "move," but He's not the one taking a break! If anyone is sitting down on the job it is the Christian (myself included). If God's people would shape-up, clean-up, and magnify Him they would see that He is very much alive and at work. If you really appreciate what God has done for you by saving you, you will not be able to hide it! Magnification isn't just the pastor's or missionary's job, but **you** are commanded to magnify God. Together let's magnify our wonderful Savior to this lost

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Travel and Support

In the past weeks we have traveled as far as Michigan and Minnesota where we were able to be in some very good meetings as well as spend some time with my grandparents (in Michigan) and Brittany's parents (in Minnesota). As you might guess, it took a little adjustment to get used to the cold weather in North country!

On the way home we had a very interesting and unscheduled meeting in West Virginia when our van broke down in the middle of the night. Praise God for His unexpected provision! If you would like to read more about that adventure look on

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for the February 1 posting entitled "**Ravens to Feed You.**"

Since our last report two more churches have partnered with us, several others are taking it into prayer and consideration, and two families have expressed an interest in supporting the effort too!



Praise and Prayer

We praise God for

- His continued provision (especially for the major vehicle repair in West Virginia)
- Providing more support
- More meetings scheduled

Please, pray with us

- That we will magnify of Savior as we travel from church to church
- That more churches will partner with us
- For provision for some additional vehicle repairs that we will need to do in the near future