

*The Prestons*  
*Church Planting in Mount Pleasant, UT*

June 29, 2019

Dear Praying Friends,

We are praising the Lord for the good turn out that we had for our three-day VBS June 10-12. We had 22 children come on Monday and 30 children come on Tuesday and Wednesday. Though we didn't have any children pray the receive Jesus as their Savior the children did have a good time and learned many new things from God's Word. Millie taught the 4's and 5's class and one child took notice to a picture of Jesus on the cross and asked "who was he and who shot him." We often lose sight of the fact that there are children here (and other places in the USA) that don't know anything about who Jesus really is or that He died for them on the cross to pay for their sins and rose again. After hearing the child's question Millie made it very clear as to who Jesus is and what He did. Even though the VBS materials were focused on Old Testament persons and narratives Millie changed her last day to teach some basic truths concerning Jesus' coming, His life in this world and of His death and resurrection. Please **pray** that we will be able to reach more families with children and that we'll be able to see whole families come to Christ.

Next month marks 19 years since we started the ground work for the church plant here in Mount Pleasant and as with any church plant the goal is to see it come to self-supporting status. At present the mortgage on the church is right around \$9500.00 and we are hoping to see that paid off by the first of next year before our next church anniversary March 22<sup>nd</sup> so we can have a mortgage burning ceremony on that day. Once the building is paid off we will begin the final step in church planting to help the church in their search for a pastor. The realization that we are coming to this point creates both excitement and a bit of anxiousness in Millie and me as we aren't at this moment sure what the Lord has for us once the church calls a pastor. We realize the church won't be able to provide a salary sufficient to live on so whoever the Lord sends will have to work at least 20 hours a week until the church grows to the place it is able to provide a full salary. With this said we are asking you to **pray** and ask the Lord to lead a man (and his family) here that will have a strong resolve to stay for the long haul and a definite call to labor in Mormon country. We also covet your **prayers** for us that the Lord will give Millie and me wisdom as to where He would have us serve Him next. Please be **praying** for the church folk here as we near this stage of church planting that the Lord will give them wisdom as well. We ask that you continue to **pray** for the spiritual and numerical growth of this church.

Millie and I are planning to take a couple days of vacation up in Montana July 18-22. We ask that you **pray** for our safety and for a time of refreshing. We always enjoy visiting a new church while on vacation. We are grateful that the Lord has gifted Don with the ability to teach as he fills in whenever we go on vacation.

We are grateful for the faithful prayers of each and for the financial support of each church and individual. May the Lord continue to bless your labors for Him in the part of the field He has you serving Him.

In His Service,

*David and Millie Preston*