

Serving God's Servants

TJI June, 2024 Report

Greetings to our friends and congregations who encourage us in numerous ways. In our travels we often run into people who receive this monthly newsletter and we are thankful that it serves as a way to update those of you who so supportive of the work we are endeavoring to do. As the summer heat begins to bear down, we are blessed to remain busy working with preachers, elderships, and congregations.

The month of May was another full and blessed time for TJI. Dale taught a Technology Tools and Tips for Ministry class for the Nashville School of Preaching, preached for the Holly Hill Church in Frankfort, the Hillcrest Church, the Red Hill Church, in Byrdtown, the Roland Church in Oklahoma, the East Walker Church in Alabama, and the Chapel Hill Church.

Jeff was blessed to preach for the Carter Lake Road Church in Bowie, TX, the Southgate Church in San Angelo, and the Blossom Church near Paris, TX. He also preached a Gospel meeting for the L'Pond Church in Brewton, AL where our dear longtime friend Steve Parker preaches. He and his sweet wife Connie, have worked with this good Church for many years.

Together we held a One-Day Better Conference that was hosted in a wonderful way by our good friend, Blaine Anderson and the Roland Church which is just down the road from Fort Smith, Arkansas. Somewhere around forty preachers came from Oklahoma, Arkansas, and surrounding states to be a part of this Better Conference. We are indebted to Paul Shero and Chuck Monan for joining us and doing their normal outstanding job. Throughout the month we also met with various preacher groups as well as individual preachers. We also met with elders who are looking for preachers to help them with their searches.

We were also richly blessed to speak for the inaugural EQUIP Preacher Training Camp hosted by Freed Hardeman University. We are thankful to our dear friend, Doug Burluson and his entire crew who worked so diligently to make this camp a reality. There was an outstanding group of young men who attended who are great workers in the Kingdom and will be for many years in the future.

A part of our work that we don't discuss as often is our work around the world. Last year we worked with preachers, schools of preaching and churches in eight countries. We will travel to several countries this year to preach/teach and to work with churches. Our next trip out of the country we will spend time meeting with preachers in Nicaragua and Honduras. As you might guess the cost of travel to other countries has increased significantly. If you would like to help support this upcoming trip, we would love to speak with you about it.

Our word of encouragement for this month comes from our friend, Stephen Kelley, who works with the Cathey's Creek Church. "Preachers need encouragement. With TJI, Jeff and Dale effectively become the Aaron and Hur of any preacher who chooses to lean on them. To support Jeff and Dale is to support numerous preachers."