



Merry Christmas!

Maynard Ministry News



The Blessings of 2008

Merry Christmas and Happy New year from the Maynard Family! It is hard to believe all that has transpired in 2008. At this time last year I was employed full-time and wondering how we were possibly going to be able to make it to all of the meetings we had scheduled for 2008 with the small amount of vacation time I had left. God chose to allow me to be laid off on January 7th, and although at the time we couldn't see how we would make it, He has shown Himself faithful to us and has blessed us beyond what we could ever imagine.

I have not been able to find a full-time job since then, but we have used the extra time to work full-time on the prefield process. The Lord has chosen to bless our efforts greatly. Last January we were at 11% of our needed support, and during the year the Lord laid on our hearts to pray for 50% by the end of 2008. I'm excited to report that as of the writing of this letter we are at **49%**, and only need about **\$50** per month to go over the 50% mark! That is a testimony to the the Lord's faithfulness to us. Won't you pray with us that the next 50% will come in during 2009?

We have also been blessed to have visited so many new churches this year and have enjoyed the prayer support and encouragement of so many people. We have grown deeper in our walk with the Lord, and have enjoyed the opportunities to make friends all over the country! In 2008 we visited more than 35 new churches as well as several supporting churches. We traveled more than 18,000 miles on prefield and only had to call AAA once! We also saw 6 new supporting churches and 5 individual supporters added, and a total of 12 people added to our SWAT prayer support team. It has also been great to see how the Lord has used us in our neighborhood and in various ministries to share the Love of Christ.

I have no idea what the coming year holds. With all the economic and political changes going on around us it would be easy to worry and be afraid. But the Lord has once again made it clear that He is in total control over every aspect of our lives, and we choose to put our confidence in Him. Thank you for all of your prayers and support – we look forward to the day when we will be able to send you an e-mail inviting you to our commissioning service!

