

Orange Family Ministries

And though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; *Heb. 5:8*

What a wonderful time to be serving the Lord! We are so encouraged to see Him doing so many great things. This is the time of year we make our rounds out to Texas and then back to Florida, then back to NC. We are so grateful for all God has done in supplying the needs for traveling in addition to our monthly needs. We started 2026 in Weslaco, Tx. for a revival meeting with the Open Door Baptist Church. This amazing church is doing so much in the valley (that's what they call it down there). They are reaching a tremendous amount of people right at the US/Mexican border. We had the privilege, as we do every year, to get to go out on the church Saturday morning visitation. There were more people on visitation than we see in some of the churches' whole congregations we go into! With the winter weather moving in, the temperatures dropped drastically the day we had to leave out and head north to Alvarado, Tx. for a camp meeting with the Blessed Hope Baptist church. This is also a tremendous meeting where so many people get so much help. It just seems God drops in each year just to see what we all need! What a Savior we serve. After a week of snow and ice there, we began to make our way south as soon as we could. After driving hard to get to Lake City, Fla., we made it in time for the "Pork Chop Supper" kicking off the annual Fellowship Meeting with the Tabernacle Baptist Church. We have seen God move in all of the meetings in great and mighty way with souls being saved and so many of His people getting needed help. We then moved on down to Cape Coral where we held revival meeting with the New Testament Baptist Church. What a blessing to see God move, and heavy conviction on sinners.

We did have some hiccups with the bus in February. We had put a hydraulic pump on to run the hydraulic radiator cooling fan back in December. On our way back to Fl., it went out so we had to fix that in Lake City. With our schedule as it was, we had to leave it sitting in the church parking lot for a couple of weeks until we could get back to fix and drive home. We ended up putting the old pump, which was just leaking a bit, back on to get it home. Now, we are contesting with the company who built the new pump, Hydraulic.net. So far, they aren't wanting to warranty it even though it was only 42 days & 3000 miles after purchase. Please help us pray on this.

For the next few weeks, we will be closer to home due to my daddy being in the final stages of Alzheimer's disease. Fortunately, the Lord has worked it out for us to be closer to home, but we have had to cancel a couple of meetings to be home with my dad, and to help my mom with her broken foot. She is the caretaker and can't do much right now. Please pray for her as this is a very difficult time for her. We still serve a sovereign God and He has a Master Plan!

PRAYER REQUESTS.....

- Please pray for guidance and direction as we try to sell our bus. It's just gotten so old, it is getting to be too much to work on with the limited amount of time we have.
- Pray for open doors to get the gospel out. We love doing the outreach!
- Pray for God's preachers all over under massive attacks from the enemy!
- Pray for so many churches without pastors, including some of our supporting churches.

Thank you to all who have supported us. Your support is invaluable to us, especially your prayers.

Please don't stop praying for us!

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Suffering always *teaches* obedience, although it does not necessarily *result* in obedience if we don't allow the suffering to shape us to God's plan for our lives. Suffering is never to be enjoyable. That would defeat the purpose. Here, in our text, we find the Lord Jesus learned the obedience in His flesh by His suffering. If He had to learn it, then surely we are not exempt. He set His face as a flint and pressed on toward the cross. What would it be if we would consign to set our face as a flint in the face of suffering and determine to learn our obedience. I am afraid many times we're just not interested in that path for our lives. But an intimate walk with God will always involve suffering and learning obedience.

The Apostle Paul pinned down his suffering multiple times in scripture. In 2Cor. 12:9, we find the response Jesus gave to Paul's complaining of his "thorn". "My grace **IS** sufficient for thee: for **MY** strength is made **PERFECT** in weakness." The fact is, we don't like weakness. We tend to want to be strong of our own accord. But our strengths are already weak, so why fight it? Just let the suffering, whether it's brought on by our own sin & failures, or something allowed by God, have it's perfect way. Paul went on record to say, "Most **GLADLY** therefore will I rather **GLORY** in my infirmities..." right after Jesus affirmed to him His will. Heb. 12:2 says, "...who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,..."

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