

Dear Friend of *Abiding Above Ministries*,

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**Blessings in Independence.** Thank you for praying while I was conducting a revival in Independence, Missouri. God blessed in such a special way. During the invitation of the Sunday morning message we saw more than 20 people come forward making decisions for Christ. The rest of the week, though it rained in torrents, we continued to have people make decisions as they were refreshed and encouraged with the teaching of the Believer's Position in Christ. We were able to sell books that have been a blessing in my own life and also to sign up many people for our free Bible study lessons. Before I made it back to Memphis one of our new pupils completed a lesson and mailed it to one of our volunteer graders! Thank you for making it possible for me to take the revival message to this town and thank you for praying for me while I was there.

**Memorial Day at Memphis Union Mission.** This past Memorial Day I had the privilege to preach at the Memphis Union Mission. More than 150 gathered at this homeless shelter in downtown Memphis. Some of these men and women are highly educated but alcohol, drugs, and other addictions, along with poor decisions have put them in their current state.



I shared with them from Psalm 32:8-10 and encouraged them not to be stubborn like the horse or the mule but to open themselves to God and let Him come inside to save them, instruct them, and guide them for the rest of their lives. Praise the Lord we had 12 come forward for salvation!

My friend, this is what we are all about. Sharing the simple gospel with the lost and encouraging believers in who they are in Christ. God is using us, and we are humbled and grateful.

**Prayer for Revival.** Please pray for me, when you receive this newsletter I will be in the middle of a revival here in Tennessee. Pray that God will bring salvation to many and that genuine revival will break out among His children. We need revival in our land! We need to turn back to God and walk with Him in child-like faith. In many ways we are like Lot's wife in the story of Sodom and Gomorrah. She was trailing behind Lot as they escaped the city but her heart was still in Sodom. She looked back and turned into a pillar of salt.

My friend, we need to turn our eyes back to Jesus. Look full in His wonderful face and let the things on earth grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace.


**New Tract.** Enclosed you will find our new tract that was developed by my good friend Brad Jolly. Please read it and pass it on to someone else. If you would like additional copies please e-mail or write to us and we will be happy to send you more. Also, please help us by sending your birthday (month and day), we want to pray for you on your special day. We want to pray God's special blessings upon you and your family. If you would like to follow along with me when I am out of town preaching with updates and pictures we can put you on our e-mail list. Please send us your e-mail address. You will find a sign up sheet in the envelope with this newsletter. Please mail it in the return envelope provided.

**Making a Difference.** *Abiding Above Ministries* is making a difference. Each year we are seeing numerous men, women, boys, and girls pray and ask Jesus into their hearts! We then personally disciple them through the mail. We are really doing a wonderful job! Without your support this could not happen. We are so grateful to you. I recently heard that the majority of our thousands of churches see only 1-3 people saved a year in their church. Millions of hard earned dollars are spent to maintain buildings that are practically empty and ministry that is ineffective. Abiding Above Ministries has seen hundreds of people saved this year alone and it is only the month of June. Please help us continue on.

As you know, postage has gone up from 39 to 41 cents per stamp. Postage to mail out discipleship lessons to our students is one of our largest expenses. **We need your help! We need to increase our monthly support! Please help us with a gift of some amount...even if it is \$10, \$15, \$25, or whatever you can afford right now. Please help us.**

We love you and thank God for you. Our prayer for you and your family is God's richest blessings in every area of your life. You can know you are God's child, He sees you perfect because He sees you already in heaven at His right hand. In heaven, when God the father looks at God the Son He sees you in Him! Praise God! What a position to be in and all because God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son!

Abiding above,



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Colossians 3:1-3