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Dear Prayer Partner,

This is Joel Creekmore from Bellevue Baptist Church with our end our latest update as we close out 2018 and start the new year. The Holidays were a wonderful time for the church with our Christmas party and the natural focus on the birth of our Savior. The most exciting thing we had happen was a Baptism and two new members added to the church! During this time, we also hit our high attendance record of 54 people in a service. During this same period, we had another high day of 50 people. While high days are nice, we are thankful for an average attendance of about 40 people.

I still have the same couple in discipleship that I asked you to pray for last time and the man still needs to get saved. I am thankful that the man has moved from complete unbelief to believing some of the gospel message. Please continue to pray that this man would get saved.

In January we were able to attend the Church Planters Conference at Heartland Baptist Bible College. This was a blessing for Christelle and I. The preaching was on point and I needed it. The opportunity to give though, is my favorite part of the conference. The church had set aside a part of our missions budget specifically for domestic church planting and it was a blessing to be able to give to men and families that are establishing local New Testament Baptist Churches across this country. God blessed this little church to be able to give \$2,300. It is more blessed to give than to receive and we pray that God would multiply our small gifts for His glory.

Our last big update is that on January 20th, we had our first Sunday evening service. We took our time adding this last service to our schedule, wanting people to be ready and hungry for it. With that said, you never know how things like this will be received. I am excited to report that we had 27 of our people in attendance. It was a fun night and we celebrated with a dessert fellowship afterwards.

Today, after almost two and a half years I finished preaching the book of Luke in our worship service. This has been such an incredible time of growth not only for the church, but for me personally. I am excited about what God has for us this year. Please continue to pray that we would be able to reach the lost and disciple and train up the saints and that we would at some point in the future send out some of our own.

Thank you and God Bless.

In Christ,

Joel Creekmore