



Bellevue

BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear Prayer Partner,

We are coming up on our one year anniversary in just a couple of weeks. God has blessed during this first year. We have had three families join the church which brings us to 5 families that are members. Another family has just recently asked to join which is an exciting blessing! We have had an average attendance in the low thirties Sunday mornings. We have been a little low during summer, but on average we continue to see about 5 new visitors per month, for which we are thankful.

We started our Wednesday night service several months ago, and it has been a blessing to see people get engaged in corporate prayer and bible study. As a church plant in our first year, we've had many firsts, as I am sure you can relate. We had our first missions conference and we committed over \$18,000 to worldwide missions. We also had our first revival with Brother Dave McCracken, with a call for the church to be broken before God. We also recently got to experience another first: our first members leaving. In mid-August, we took three of our young people to Oklahoma City to Heartland Baptist Bible College. It is wonderful to see each of these young people give this time of their lives to the Lord, but it is also difficult because each one of them served and played a vital role in the church. From playing the piano, to doing the sound, to faithfully serving in the nursery. We have gaps that need to be filled. At the same time, we lost another woman who had been with us for about 9 months and was our other piano player. She moved to Texas to escape the weather. So, as it stands we don't have a piano player and that is a need for which I ask for your prayers. The music ministry as a whole is really lacking and I would love to see God do something special in this area of our worship of Him. While it has been hard to lose people we love, we are grateful for the Lord's working in their lives.

We also continue to pray for growth and souls to be saved. We have reached people that are saved, but were not growing or receiving the preaching that they needed, but I pray that the Lord would help us to reach the lost and see people come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. I have witnessed to many and have had some great in-depth conversations, but nobody has been willing to repent and turn to Jesus in faith. Would you pray with us about that?

Thank you for your continued support of this work. We are supremely grateful for the Lord's faithfulness over this last year, but we also thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support!

In Christ,

Joel Creekmore