

Dear Brethren,

As you know, over the last couple months, the world has changed drastically. Though we have been blessed that the worst of the Coronavirus has missed us thus far, we are still under a pretty significant "lock down" here in Montana. We have decided, however, to continue meeting for a short period of time together on Sunday mornings. We've moved all other classes and studies to an online format.

We've been having two ladies study with us quite regularly over the last couple months. Mike has been teaching the book of Revelation, and that has attracted some attention. MyLil, one of the ladies, has been to almost every study from the beginning. She is an avid student, but has some deeply ingrained beliefs that we will have to continue to try and "unteach." She holds a staunch premillennial view, which is going to present some challenges, especially as we continue through the book of Revelation. The second lady is a young woman who has also joined the study of Revelation for several weeks. She has been a prime prospect for us, as she had no experience with the Bible at all. She had never even read the bible before connecting with us. Unfortunately, she moved back home to SanDiego, CA. She is continuing to study with us through teleconferencing software, so we are still hopeful that she will heed the truth. We are trying to hook up with brethren in SanDiego so there will be someone local that she can study with.

I am still studying with my friend Jim. He too already has many ideas about scripture that are not accurate, so I am having to work through a lot of his misconceptions. Jim usually assembles with us now, so I have been using some of the sermon periods to teach on baptism. Jim can be easily distracted from the topic at hand, which can make one-on-one studies difficult sometimes. So, teaching in sermon form sometimes works out better to be able to work through more information, and then we can have more targeted discussions afterward.

We have been a little disappointed in how some of the work has been disrupted because of the current shut downs. We had hoped to plan some new things for the work here in Bozeman, now that our group is a little larger. We had to put some of those plans on hold because we just don't know when we will have things opened up for us to do them. We do look forward to some of those opportunities when this all passes.

One thing I have noticed in the current distress is that our young men are growing in faith, and in their abilities. Watching them develop in the way that they think about their own faith, and the way in which they lead the congregation has been very encouraging. Some growth cannot be measured! As I listen to these young men lead the congregation in prayer, I know they have been focused on their faith.

We hope that you all continue to be well. Our prayer for you all is that you are able to avoid the virus that has been so destructive in some places. I know some who have already contracted it, and our prayer for them is that they will heal quickly.

Thank you all for your continued support of the work here. May God bless your efforts in the kingdom.

Your Servant,

Kris Brewer