

# NEWSLETTER

THE BAUCOMS

Missionaries to the North American Natives

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**Dear Long Time Friends & Supporters Of The Baucom's,**

If you have been following our newsletters these last three years you know how sick Elaine and I have been. For me, Dementia and Parkinson's disease plus two procedures on my bladder which was unsuccessful, leaving me with the only alternative of a catheter. No fun, but it helps me stay mobile, praise the LORD!

**What's happening with Elaine?** You know how you had prayed for Elaine over the last three years concerning her mental state. The specialist and doctors nearly killed her with so many pills and potions they gave her. She was in terrible shape. It almost put me in the mental ward as well. There were people (*literally*) from all over the world that were praying for Elaine that we did **not** even know. **Well, your prayers were not in vain.** God has brought her back to us as marvelously as she was before it all started. If you talked to her now you would never know that she had been so sick. She is now volunteering in a Christian Day School about 5 miles from us and she loves it.



**Now what's, happening with Tom?** Elaine spoke with her doctor a few weeks ago about how my condition was deteriorating so quickly. It is now necessary for me to use a walker every where I go. I often have attacks that happen about 1 or 2 times a week. They come without notice and last about 15 minutes. It takes control of my body. The doctor says he seems to think they are seizure related to the Parkinson's disease. Obviously to say, my driving days are over. Elaine does all the driving now.

**Now, what has happened and what is happening with the church?**



Pastor Al Stone

Eric Hilton,

Jeremy Simpson

God has given us four great revival meetings with four great preachers within the last two months. The fellowship and unity in the Church is a lot better than it has been in a long time. Already, new people are starting to come. Elaine & I moved about 20 minutes from the Reservation to a town called Simcoe due to the stairs that were killing us. We try to go to the Church several times a week because there is so much to do and Elaine & I have very little strength to do it.

It is a sad time for me and this native Church. For 34 years Elaine and I have given it all we had, and now we are sick and wore out.

As you know, due to my ongoing health condition I have had to turn the Church over to our two native men in our Church. They have been with us for over 25 years. I have taught them all I know. In the mean time I kept telling the church we needed to start praying about getting a pastor. I could not continue to handle the load. Garlow Line was without a pastor for 11 months before we arrived. We have had several preachers to preach for us. All of them are real good men. The Church will be voting on them in a couple of weeks.

Some are wondering what Elaine and I are going to do now. We are still doing what we can, but on a very small scale. We have about 4 to 5 Churches that have for various reasons discontinued our support. We hear things like, "**They are going in a different direction**", or they never tell us anything. Just leave us hanging. We are not dead yet. I wish I knew back 34 years ago what I know today, we would have done differently about our health and finances. But you know what, we have not went without. God has kept every promise to provide our needs through various ways.

Now, let me say, "**Thank You**" very much for your prayers and financial support. We sure love and appreciate you dear folks. We are not going back home because we can't. Call me and I will explain it to you. There is still a lot of things to do here and we are going to stay here until the Rapture or when we die.

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