



# REPORT: ALAN & SYLVIA FOX

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

**D**ear brethren,

Imagine going from Spring to Autumn (Fall) and you will understand how we felt about not having experienced Summer yet, because we are in the Northern Hemisphere! Every three years Sylvia and I are privileged to travel to the US and meet with churches and individuals who support us in the work of the Lord in Johannesburg South Africa. It was sad to take leave of our loved ones in SA but also joyful to see our loved ones in the US. Our travels have gone well so far and once again the Jouberts (Hendrik and Suzette) came to our rescue by allowing us the use of their van – we are blessed to have such good friends! Sylvia and I are in good health and looking forward to seeing the rest of the saints in the various states where we plan to be travelling.

**P**reaching appointments

## **MEBANE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## **NORTH CAROLINA**

We landed at Raleigh Airport on Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup> and Hendrik kindly made sure we are picked up and taken to their home to freshen-up before the evening service. Their midweek service starts at 19h00 and there were about 15 saints present at their midweek studies. I presented a lesson on “Feelings” and how we are subject to them but should not be controlled by them. The lesson was well received and there was good participation in the class from the members present.

## **WOODLAND HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## **INDIANA**

We left the Jouberts’ home on Friday September 11<sup>th</sup>, just after breakfast for a 12 hour drive to Marion Indiana and arrived at our meeting point just after dark. One of the elders (Tim Purdom) met us in town and we then went directly to Wendy’s for an evening meal. Thereafter he took us to their home where his wife (Christ Purdom) had prepared a very comfortable room for us. We were invited to attend a wedding ceremony on the Saturday but Sylvia became seriously ill and we had to take her to a local doctor and I stayed at home to make sure she would be OK. On Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> I preached two lessons: “Who then can be saved” and “What God has in store for you” The brethren were kind and complimentary in their comments of the lessons. We visited with various saints in Marion as well as with the two other elders (Bruce & Kathy Everett and Steve & Connie Gates) and stayed on until Wednesday morning at which time we departed for Anderson Indiana.

## **ANDERSON CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## **INDIANA**

It did not take us very long to reach Anderson and one of the elders (Vernon White and his wife Susan) made us feel comfortable and at home. I preached the midweek evening session class on the topic: “What God has in store for you” Carl Mc Murray is now one of the elders at Anderson church but he was away on a preaching trip when we attended their services. We departed the next morning and made our way to Kentucky to the home of our dear friends Ralph and Gerry Wright.

## **NORTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## **KENTUCKY**

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Ralph Wright and Keith Burnett are the elders at the Northside congregation and we had a very enjoyable visit with them. On Thursday evening we accompanied Keith Burnett to the song practice evening at Eastside congregation in Bowling Green where, to our surprise we met up with Bob Buchanan. On Saturday morning I went with Keith Burnett to the radio station where he hosts a call-in program for Bible related questions. On Sunday morning my class topic was based on Genesis 34 and the sermons: "For of such is the Kingdom of God" and "The Exodus Challenge" We left Kentucky for our next appointment in Tennessee on Tuesday morning.

### **HICKORY HEIGHTS CHURCH OF CHRIST**

### **TENNESSEE**

We stayed in a motel for one night (Tuesday evening) and were thereafter invited to the home of Joe and Sandra Greer. On Tuesday evening we accompanied Joe Greer to Collegevue church of Christ for a Gospel Meeting and on the Wednesday evening I preached at Hickory Heights at their midweek services and departed the following day on an eleven and a half hour drive to Dallas.

### **PLEASANT RUN CHURCH OF CHRIST**

### **TEXAS**

Although the time spent on the road was exhausting I managed to drive straight through to Waxahachie Texas to our good friend sister Delois Nash where we were given a very warm welcome. Brother Lloyd Nash was a faithful Gospel preacher for many years and had just passed away in January and our dear sister Nash has that emotional trauma to deal with and still invited us to stay with her for the time we would be in Dallas – what a brave and generous Christian lady! The elders (Willard Brockinton Larry Buck) at Hickory Heights asked me to take the class session as well as the preaching in the morning and the evening service – what a joy! Sylvia and I spent quite some time visiting with the saints of this congregation and we truly enjoyed our time with these Christians. We also had an opportunity to meet up with Hendrik and Suzette Joubert who came to visit their daughter Michelle who works at the Fort Worth Zoo and they took us to spend some time with them there. We left sister Nash's home on our way to San Antonio on Wednesday morning.

### **BOERNE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

### **TEXAS**

We drove a four and a half hour trip down to San Antonio on Wednesday morning and arrived at the home of Rob and Fiona Wiggins. Rob had to go out of town but Fiona was an excellent host and drove us to services as well. It was good to renew our friendship with the saints at the Boerne congregation. I spoke about the progress of the work of the Lord at Brixton and afterwards presented a lesson to the saints. The next morning we left for Birmingham Alabama to the home of Sam and Gloria White

## **I** **ITINERARY: "USA 2009"**

Attached is an updated copy of our itinerary, please let me know if you are able to suggest appointments for those slots which are still open (Confirmed slots are highlighted yellow)

We are looking forward to seeing you brethren once more [Lord willing] and to enjoy fellowship and the giving and receiving of matters of our faith

Greetings to the local congregation of which you are a part

Your servants in Christ

*Alan & Sylvia Fox*

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<b>Sundays</b>		<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Contact Person</b>		<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Contact Person</b>
						September 9, 2009	Mebane	NC	Hendrik J.
September 13, 2009	Morning Evening	Marion Marion	IN IN	Bruce E. Bruce E.					
						September 16, 2009	Anderson	IN	Carl Me
September 20, 2009	Morning Evening	Russellville Russellville	KY KY	Ralph W. Ralph W.					
						September 23, 2009	Lewisburg	TN	Donald F.
September 27, 2009	Morning Evening	Lancaster Lancaster	TX TX	Willard B. Willard B.					
						September 30, 2009	Bulverde	TX	Rob W.
October 4, 2009	Morning Evening	Athens Athens	AL AL	Owen G. Tony A.					
						October 7, 2009	Tuscaloosa	AL	Whit R.
October 11, 2009	Morning Evening	Athens Florence	AL AL	Owen G. Frank R.					
						October 14, 2009	Buford	GA	Mac Payne
October 18, 2006	Morning Evening	Roswell	GA GA	David T.					
						October 21, 2009		GA	Mac?
October 25, 2009	Morning Evening	Marietta Alpharetta	GA GA	Don D. Darren B.					
						October 28, 2009		FL	
November 1, 2009	Morning Evening		FL FL						
		Valrico	FL	Marty P.					
						November 4, 2009	Trillecoochie	FL	Tim F.
November 8, 2009	Morning Evening	Brooksville Brooksville	FL FL	Vic Mc. Vic Mc.					
						November 11, 2009	Brooksville	FL	Vic Mc.
November 15, 2009	Morning Evening	Taylor Taylor	SC SC	Ronny H. Ronny H.					
						November 18, 2009	Taylor	SC	Ronny H.
November 22, 2009	Morning Evening	Warne Warne	NC NC	Sakkie P. Sakkie P.					
						November 25, 2009	Warne	NC	Sakkie P.
November 29, 2009	Morning Evening	Cary Mebane	NC NC	Hendrik J. Hendrik J.					
						December 2, 2009		NY	Hendrik?
December 6, 2009	Morning Evening		FL FL						
						December 9, 2009	Mebane	NC	Hendrik J.

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