



Capitol Hill Independent Baptist Ministries

Capitol Update

"And David said, What have I now done?"

Is there not a cause?" - I Samuel 17:29

Frank Raddish: Founder/Director

James Creager: Field Representative

James David Creager

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Missionary James Creager
will be...

- Evangelistic in his outreach preaching the word of God.
- Your Missionary Christian Ambassador to our legislators.
- Reaching our federal and state political leaders through preaching, witnessing, and Bible study.
- Establishing Bible studies in our national and state capitols.
- Promoting mission teams from various churches to the federal and state capitols.

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Dear Brethren,

"Grace be to you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God" (II Corinthians 1:2-4). I thank God for you and am very grateful for all your prayers and support.

In March, the Raddishes and I had many more opportunities to witness to the Arizona State legislator, their staff, security officers, other government employees, and tourists by way of gospel tract and word of mouth. Please pray for these souls that they will get saved. As I previously stated in my last prayer letter, I had the joy of presenting the work at Lookout Mountain Baptist Church (Bro. Michael Bessinas, pastor) in Phoenix, AZ. Again, I pray that the Lord will bless them for the love, kindness, and fellowship they showed me during my visit. I was also able to get word out about the ministry to a few more churches by giving my information to the pastors during my visits.

About the last two weeks of the month, the Raddishes and I left Arizona for Texas. We first stopped and stayed for a couple of weeks at Victory Baptist Church (Bro. Stephen Dyke, pastor) in El Paso, TX. The Lord bless them for their kindness and hospitality they showed us during our stay. While there we had the opportunity to witness to many of the people who lived there. We also went to the part of the city that was near the Mexican border and handed out many Spanish tracts to the Mexicans visiting and working in the USA. Please pray for all those who received a gospel witness in El Paso.

Eventually we made our way to Cedar Park, TX (after making a brief stop in San Marcos) where we stayed at Victory Baptist Church (Bro. Rick Brann, pastor). We are very grateful for the warmth, kindness, fellowship, and hospitality they bestowed upon us during our visit. Near the end of March and the beginning of April, we began the work for getting a weekly Bible study started in the Texas State Capitol, Austin. The Lord gave us great liberty there at the State Capitol Building. We were able to witness to hundreds of people by word of mouth and gospel tracts. We estimate that we were, by God's grace, able to give out close to 400 gospel tracts in one week. The souls we witnessed to include: State Senators; House of

Representatives; staff people; Security Officers; Texas Ranger Officers; other government employees; and, tourists. (For a couple days many of the tourists we witnessed to were Roman Catholics.)

The Raddishes and I started the Texas State Capitol Bible Study. It was first held on the fourth floor in the State Capitol's Public Chapel Room. Bro. Raddish preached a wonderful message from James 5:14-18 on prayer, and then we had a time of prayer, praying for requests made and our nation especially. On the first Sunday of April, I was visiting Trinity Baptist Church (Bro. David Burkholder, pastor) in Austin, TX. There I met Bro. Harding, the Chief of Staff for House Representative Johnson. He was energized to learn about Capitol Hill Independent Baptist Ministries and what we are doing in service of the Lord. He invited the Raddishes and myself to his office on that Tuesday. After speaking with Bro. Raddish, he got us a House Representative Committee Conference Room for the Bible Study. The Lord immediately provided a local Independent Baptist preacher to take it on. Bro. Raddish has informed me that the new Texas State Capitol Bible Study is doing well.

In my last prayer letter, I mentioned two things: that my older brother, Charles Paul Creager, Jr. has joined Capitol Hill Independent Baptist Ministries; and, that we were planing on making our way to Washington DC to do some ministry work there. The Lord has led Bro. Raddish to delay the Washington DC trip until later in the year, so that he may do ministry work in some of the western state capitols he has not been to before. Pray for Bro. Raddish and his wife as they travel and serve the Lord in these states. As for me, I have returned to South Carolina to train Bro. Charles, help him with his deputation work, and to do some additional deputation work myself. In April, I was able to give an update to my home church, Freedom Baptist Church in Greenville, SC. I was also able to present the work at a Tent Meeting near Moonville, SC. I visited a few churches and provided ministry information to a few pastors. Pray that the Lord will open some doors at these churches for meetings.

So far in May, I was able to present the work at Bible Baptist Church (Bro. Whitt, pastor) in Anderson, SC. I have had a meeting at The Carpenter's Chapel (Bro. James Julian, pastor) in Simpsonville, SC, where I was able to give an update on the work and preached the word. The Lord bless them for their kindness and fellowship. This coming Sunday evening (May 28, 2017) I will be having a meeting at Trinity Baptist Tabernacle (Bro. Tony Pettit, pastor). There I will be presenting the ministry and preaching the word of God. Please pray for this ministry. At this time, there is nothing officially scheduled meetings for June, but I will be visiting as many churches as I can. Please pray that the Lord will provide an open door to present the work and preach His word at these churches. I also plain in June to travel for a few weeks in North Carolina to visit some of the churches there--especially in the High Point area. Again pray for an open door to present the work and preach the word at these churches. Also pray for those whom I will be witnessing to in these towns. Please pray for safe traveling mercies as well.

I also send my prayer letters via email. If anyone who receives my prayer letters via "snail mail" would like to switch over to the email version, please send your request to: jdckjb1611@gmail.com. Make sure you include in the *subject box* "Prayer Letter Request", and in the body of the email tell me your name and/or the name of the church so I'll know who I am sending it to. Every two months (starting the next prayer letter following your request) you will receive from an email with an attached PDF file copy of my latest prayer letter.

The Raddishes and Bro. Charles send their love and greetings in the Lord. Pray for the Raddishes as they travel; for Bro. Charles as he does his deputation work that he will get some much needed support raised as soon as possible. Pray for me as I travel, preach, witness, do my continuing deputation, and get the gospel to our State Capitols and Legislators. Also continue to pray that the Lord will provide me with a Class C RV soon to live in, to work and serve Him out of.

Thank you once again for your prayers and support. "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen" (II Corinthians 13:14).

Yours in Christ,

Bro. James Creager
Field Representative
(Philippians 3:13, 14)