

THE BATE FAMILY

planting Faith Baptist Church
of Roseville, CA

under GFA Missions



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THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD

*I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.*

These are wonderful words that celebrate our God's awesome power in creation. I hope that you have had a moment or two today where you stand in worship before you God for his majestic greatness.

EXPLANATION

I actually wrote this newsletter a month ago, but I never had a chance to finish it up and send it. That means that what is written below was written a month ago. I will send you this month's newsletter in a couple weeks.

A MONTH PACKED WITH SPECIAL BLESSINGS

Katrina and I feel utterly spoiled this month. God has blessed us in so many ways. For the sake of brevity, I will just give you a list. I know you will be rejoicing with us.

- We had a supporter this month that was not able to give their financial support this month. God arranged it so we received several unexpected donations this month – just enough to make up the difference.
- We were able to spend some good quality time with Matt and Amy (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/team). We only get to spend time together once every six months these days.
- There is a man who has generously given to our ministry before. This last month he sent us a generous check once again. This will help will help us with our start-up fund.
- We spent some more time in Roseville researching and preparing.
- We spent some time with our sister church (fbcfolsom.org).
- The power steering in our van has been very cantankerous, and I didn't want to spend the money to look into a possible solution. A few days ago, we received news there was a recall on our van for the power steering system!

THE COST OF FOLLOWING JESUS CHRIST

I met an older lady a few weeks ago who had lost her husband years ago. But, she didn't lose him in the way you might think. Her husband left her as soon as she became a Christian. This reminded me of the cost it is for us to follow Jesus Christ.



DRIVE ACROSS THE COUNTRY

Some of you have hinted at it. Others of you have plainly told us. Either way, the message is the same – “You guys are crazy!” Well, I suppose you are right. Katrina and I drove across the country this month. It was a lot of fun, and it worked out great! We were in New York City on one Sunday and San Francisco, CA area the next Sunday. We drove interstate 80 from start to finish in three days. We have a picture in this month’s pictures of the sign that says, “Interstate 80 begins now”. We praise the Lord for the privilege of serving him in this way.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT GOD WILL DO

Many of you are aware that we found an elementary school for our church to meet in. It is in our target area of Roseville, it is a very good price, and the Principle and her staff are wonderful to work with. Although there has been nobody else interested in renting this school for years, just this last week, someone else approached the school about renting there. So, it looks like for now that we will be looking for another place to rent. I am looking forward to seeing how God will provide. It is a joy to trust God!

OUR FALL CIRCUIT

We are currently in the middle of our Fall circuit. Next week we start driving back across the country to South Carolina and Florida (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/itinerary). Our family has been healthy and things have been going well. Thank you for praying for us as we travel.

CALIFORNIA MINISTRY

Do you realize that roughly one and ten Americans live in California? For many reasons, the state of California is an incredibly strategic place to minister. Is a transition coming in your life soon? Please prayerfully consider ministering in the state of California.

California is filled with cities, but also rural areas. It is filled with residential areas, but also with rugged terrain. There are desert places, but there is also lots of farm land. There are ministry needs of all kinds. There is ministry to the military, to Spanish people, Jewish people, Asian people, Indian people, Russian, and many other types of ministry. Minister in California and you are ministering to the world.

There are Christian camps looking for laborers, there are churches looking for senior pastors, there are churches looking for assistant pastors. There are churches looking for faithful church members. There are churches looking for piano players and song leaders.

There is a generation of people in fundamental churches that has been serving in California for 30 to 40 years now. It is time for a new generation to step in and fill the gaps.

PICTURES

There are a lot of pictures this month because we have covered a lot of ground!
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May God be glorified!

Nathan

On behalf of the team (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/team)

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ITINERARY

November 2, 2011

Pear Park Baptist Church
Grand Junction, CO

November 6-9, 2011

Westgate Baptist Church
Spartanburg, SC

November 18-20

Bethel Baptist Church
Havana, FL

December 4, 2011

CrossRoad Baptist Church
Buckeye, AZ

December 4, 2011

Evangelical Church
Phoenix, AZ

January 8, 2012

Calvary Bible Church
Westport, MA

January 15, 2012

Grace Bible Church
Dracut, MA

January 22, 2012

The Bible Church
Port Washington, NY

January 29, 2012

Calvary Baptist Church
Lima, OH

February 5, 2012

Southwest Community Bible Church
Parma, OH

February 12, 2012

Hope Baptist Church
Hope, MI

February 19, 2012

Bethany Baptist Church
Grand Rapids, OH

February 26, 2012

Community Bible Church
Norfolk, NE

March 4-7, 2012

Bible Baptist Church
Kingsport, TN

March 18, 2012

Faith Baptist Church
Reidville, SC

March 25, 2012

Westside Baptist Church
Martinez, GA

May 20, 2012

Bible Community Church
Mentor, OH

