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Utah Churches Stand Together



ST is thrilled to celebrate the unity demonstrated by two local churches, Mountain Springs Community Church and K2 the Church, as their congregations served side by side to help provide a brand new 4,000 sq. ft. home for a needy Salt Lake family. This extreme makeover brought together some 250 volunteers and over \$200,000 in donated time and materials. Jesus tells us that when the world see the Church in unity they will believe that the Father sent the Son (Jn. 17:20-21). We salute the unity of these two churches and all those who served to turn an empty lot into a home!



Chaplain to Salt Lake Bees Baseball Team

During the middle of last season, Greg was asked to serve as the chaplain of the Salt Lake Bees Baseball team, the AAA affiliate of the Los Angeles Angels from Anaheim, CA. Serving once again this season has been a lot of fun and a real honor. Getting to know young guys who are so close to realizing their life long dreams of playing in the big leagues, but who also know there are no guarantees that they'll make it, is powerful. A brief chapel service is offered on Sunday homes games for both the home and visiting team, and a mid week Bible study is held for the Bees whenever the team is in town.



Worldwide Church of God Open House

The move is complete, the Worldwide Church of God has relocated it's headquarters from Pasadena to Glendora, CA and Greg was thrilled to represent **ST** at their recent Open House celebration. The transformation of this church from cult status to genuine Christianity continues to encourage us in our work here in Utah. We pray that God would likewise transform Mormonism!

On a Personal Note...

I like balloons, don't you? We had a bunch of them at our daughter Cali's recent 4th birthday party in late July. Balloons are festive, fun, and colorful, and like the feeling we get when we see a big bouquet of them. Jill and I can't help but smile at the wonderful children the Lord has given us. Indiana is like a bright red balloon, enthusiastic and smart. Our son Reagan is a blue balloon, thoughtful, tender, and proud. Cali is the color purple, full of laughter and verbal intensity. And then there's baby America, hard not to think of a cluster of red, white, and blue balloons when we think of her. She's got a fantastic smile. Quite often we're reminded that we need to enjoy this season of our family life because our kids will grow up faster than we realize. As such, God has been using Jill to remind me that it's family first, then ministry! If you could pray for me in this area I sure would appreciate it! Let's all remember to put our families first!!!



Prayer and Praise Items

1. We praise God for the unity expressed in recent pastor's meetings acknowledging our desperate need for God to move in Utah.
2. We praise God for our weekly T.V. program on channel 20 in Salt Lake, *This Week in the Word*, and the outreach opportunity this program provides our ministry.
3. We pray that God would mightily bless *Christian Solidarity Sunday* on September 10th where some 40 churches will affirm the theme of "One Church, One God, Jesus Christ, Worship Him Here."
4. We praise God that Robyn Thomas, who has just graduated from Biola University, will join our staff in late September as our new Administrative Assistant. We are so excited!!!