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**Mark 16:15 And
He said unto
them, go ye into
all the world, and
preach the gospel
to every creature.**

Dear Fellowlabourers,

This winter we had several visiting preachers. In January, evangelist Glenn Jaspers preached several services. Bro. Troy Carlson and a group from the West branch of the Bill Rice Ranch were with us for a midweek service in February. Also in February Pastor Tony Finney and a group from First Baptist Church In Conestee, S. C. visited. All of these folk were a blessing and encouragement to us and the church.

In March, we had our annual camp meeting. The Lord gave us a wonderful time. The preaching, testimonies, and singing were just what we needed. We are making a change in our camp meeting schedule. In past years, we have had it annually, but after much prayer we plan on having the camp meeting every other year. So, Lord willing our next meeting will be in March of 2014. Our main reason for the change is that it is so expensive for folk to travel from the East. This way it will give folk two years to save for a trip West. We really appreciate everyone who has sacrificed over the years to be able to attend the meeting.

When we arrived in July of 1992, one of the first people we met was Mabel Homer from Cockleburr Village. Mabel attended the first Bible Studies we held. Then she attended church once we started a Sunday service. When she could no longer attend church due to health problems, she allowed us to hold services in her house. Later she was moved to the tribal nursing home and that opened the door for us to have services in the nursing home. On April 3rd she was promoted to heaven. She was a great friend, loved the Lord and we will all miss her. There was a family discussion about where to have her funeral. I am thankful that part of her family stood up for us and decided to have her funeral at the church. They told the rest of the family, which were against her funeral being at a Baptist Church, that we had been her close friend for twenty years and that their mom would want us to do the funeral. To be honest I was shocked they would allow us to have anything do to with the funeral. Part of the family would not attend the funeral, but I thank God that He opened the door for us to do the service. A large number of friends and family came and God allowed us to tell them the good news that Jesus saves. Please remember Mabel's family in prayer.

Our third annual day camp in Ak Chin is scheduled for June 20th – June 22nd. Evangelist Dale Vance will be preaching again this year. Please pray for the meeting. The Lord has used this meeting in the past to save sinners.

In Christ,

Jay and Becky Shannon