

February 29th, 2020

To the elders at Oaks West,

I have received your support and I am very grateful for it, and your prayers. My family and I are well. We recently had an evaluation for Daniel to begin a program here at one of the schools to assist him in his short comings. He will begin sometimes in March, but we haven't determined exactly when. Carson is doing pretty in Kindergarten and we are very thankful for this. Your continued prayers in these matters are greatly appreciated.

In February we started our Friday night bible studies back up and we have had a decent turn out. I have also had the opportunity to study a few times with Princeton Simons, though due to our schedules not as often as I would have liked. This month has gone well.

I have continued with my weekly encouragement videos and plan to keep this up. The past two weeks have been busy with travel, but I will be pick this back up the first week of March. I do believe that it is effective and the brethren enjoy it.

I am not sure that I have mentioned that I am attempting to study with an inmate at the Gatesville prison. I am supposed to become a spiritual advisor for a lady named Lucinda Wilson at the Lane Murray women's facility. It has been very slow going due to the paperwork required, but I am hopeful that it will come to fruition soon. I am not sure how productive it will be, but keep this work in your prayers. I can elaborate further if you'd wish in a separate email, for there is a lot of detail involved.

For March we will be focusing on our invitation event called, "Come and See." The focus being to invite people we have a relationship with outside of the church. I will be spending time encouraging the brethren to be there and to invite at least one person they know. I am praying that we will have more visitors than we did last time, but that doesn't measure success. My real aim is for people to plant the seed by inviting people. God will be more disappointed if we do not try.

Once again, I thank you for all the work you do in your area, and for the support you provide us here. Your prayers are just as valuable to us as the literal support you provide.

Your brother in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan J. Herring". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

Ryan Herring