## Maine Maritime Ministry Sharing the love and gospel of Jesus along the coast of Maine and beyond

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few." Matthew 9:27

Dear Family & Friends,

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I am beginning to understand what our Lord meant about the verse written above. It seems like everywhere I turn there is someone else to witness to. God keeps setting up divine appointments. The other week our

neighbor's dogs got out and I walked them over to their house. After talking for a little bit, they confessed that "we are not very social but we would like to invite you and your wife over for a barbeque." Then a couple of days ago Greg came over to use my air compressor to fill his tires and asked, "Would you be able to come over for Memorial Day cook out?" I replied, "Yes!" Vickie reminded me it was our anniversary so we figured we can celebrate it before or after the barbeque. It's neat that God open doors as we share Christ's love even to people who are "not very social." Please pray as we continue to share the gospel in Word and deed.



Our purpose statement written on top of every newsletter is our pattern of ministry. Sharing Christ's love opens



doors to sharing His gospel. As one wise person once said, "They don't care how much you know until they know how much you care." I go to a Craniosacral Neuromuscular Re-education Therapist once or twice a week for a full hour session. We have gotten to know each other, now that I spend more than half the time sharing the Lord with her at each session. Even when we were coming back from New York from our grandson Mason's first birthday party, our trailer blew two tires. I worked with the repair man for over two hours trying to mount two new tires

along the Massachusetts Turnpike, giving me ample time to share Christ with him. He claimed to be saved but hadn't gone to church in a long time. I encouraged him that he needs to build his house on the rock, not sand.

After a long winter, we pulled the boat out of the water for repairs and upgrades. The mast was in danger of falling down, as one of the side stays (called a shroud) broke its wire strands as a result of metal fatigue. I always think of this part of the boat when I sing the hymn, "Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed." As the "stay" holds the

hymn, "Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed." As the "stay" holds the mast upright and makes it useful, so are we when we are "stayed" upon our God. Praise the Lord as most of the money has come in for the radar! We will be ordering it soon and installing this major piece of safety equipment on the boat. Please continue to pray for our ministry as we share the gospel in love and word.



On a personal note: We can also use your prayers in dealing with insurance companies. As of now, the insurance company is only willing to pay us for ¼ our house's value from the fire and that is not enough to even pay off the mortgage. Also we have been waiting over 2 months for my "prismatic glasses." Worker's Compensation hasn't approved it yet, so they still are not ordered. God has been showing me from Ephesians 6 that we are in a spiritual battle. He has provided us the shield of faith to combat the devils schemes and fiery missiles. OUR GOD IS IN CONTROL!!

Your servant and His,

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