

"By the way of the sea....the people who were sitting in darkness saw a great light" Matthew 4:16

(Pemaquid is a nearby light house)

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Dear Family and Friends:

I really feel as though we are partners together in this ministry. Ours is a spiritual battle, "For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves". Col 1:13. We cannot do this

alone! Jesus said, "Apart from Me you can do nothing," and "this type only comes out through prayer and fasting." The more people we have involved waging this spiritual battle the more effective we will be. I am aware that sharing the gospel puts us on the front line of the spiritual battle that wages between Satan's kingdom of darkness and God's kingdom of light. Your prayers are a vital part of this ministry. In this dark area it takes time, prayer and preaching. Paul said, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. 1 Cor. 3:6. So together we can plant and water the seed with prayer. Each month I will be highlighting a person or a church for you to pray about and for us to be God's tool to reach them.

The first person I would like for us to pray for together is a man in his fifties whose name is Boyd-- his friends call him Buck. I shared in a previous letter that he came to me a couple of months ago and said "because of you I have now come to the Lord." I have been meeting with Buck once or twice a week, sharing the Word of God with him. Buck is an alcoholic whose wife left him and he is losing his house. I believe his greatest struggle is to trust God and give his life completely over to Him. Please pray the he will let go and let God run his life by growing enough to feed himself the Word of God and fellowship with other Christians,

Vickie and I are doing well, taking one day at a time. There is a lot to do moving back to Maine to a house that is gutted and needs kitchen counters, heating system and sheetrock. The old cook stove works well and we will be using that a lot this winter to cook and heat with. We are slowly getting the boat ready and hope to have it in the water this fall to extend our ministry along the coast. I find if I get my proper rest I am seeing a decrease in my headaches, photo-phono phobia and fatigue. Tinnitus is still driving me a little bats but I am getting used to it. A month ago I lost my best friend—my 15 year old lab, Cole. God gave us many good years together!

Our son Daniel and his fiancée are coming to visit us tomorrow and it is hard to believe that they will be getting married in a month! Also I received a call from the Cloughs who said they would like to stop by on their way to Acadia National park in down east Maine. We look forward to spending some time with them. We would also like to invite you to come and visit us as well.

God bless and thank you for being a vital part of our ministry.

With all our love, Chris and Vickie Gerardi

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