

The Elders  
Trenton church of Christ  
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Dear brethren,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I trust the Lord's body in Trenton continues her march toward victory in Him.

May 4, 2008 I began working with the South Pine Avenue congregation in Ocala. The congregation has been in existence for some 40 years. This past Sunday the attendance was 18 at both the Sunday morning and evening service. The Wednesday PM attendance was just 10.

From the outset of this work, we mailed out 70 letters **per week** to new residents in the area. As a result we have 6 enrolled in the 8-Lesson John M. Hurt Bible Correspondence Course. I've baptized one lady who completed the course with whom we continue to study on Monday evenings. We continue the weekly mailing program.

Additionally, I placed posters in two chains of local grocery stores in the area - with their consent, of course - offering a **FREE BIBLE COURSE**. One young man has completed the course but has not implemented what he has learned. We've had 3 others enroll in the Bible course through that effort.

We have a Christian lady place membership with us this past Sunday from one of the institutional groups here in Ocala. She just mentioned Wednesday night how much she has learned since identifying with us. We have a couple from the Christian Church in Belleview who began attending Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and has not missed one Bible study or service since then - including our October 5-10 meeting w/John Zellner. They have a better record than some of our "regular" members! We're making good progress with them.

A lesbian couple has just started attending the services on Sunday. They ride with us to services since they live close by us and don't have a car. They, too, have enrolled in the Bible course. I've offered to a personal Bible study with them and they've verbalized an interest but haven't committed to a day and time at this point. One of them has a 10 year-old daughter who really likes attending the Bible class.

**Our support is inadequate.** The South Pine congregation will have to cut its weekly commitment by \$425 beginning January 1, 2009. That'll leave us down by \$1,700 per month.

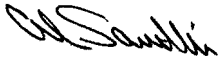
My wife and I have depleted our savings account and our IRA's trying to meet our financial needs without imposing on our brethren.

Would you be able to help us with support on a monthly basis or a lump sum one time contribution? As you know from past experience, the day South Pine can assume more of my support, I'll insist that she do so!

Charlotte works as a Data Entry Operator at a local prison for women. Her job is **very stressful**, but, as she always has, she is willing to be spent in order to support us as much as possible in evangelism.

Feel free to ask any question(s) you'd like regarding this matter.

Yours in His Service,



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