

Dear Friends,

Again I am privileged to share with you and ask for prayer for the difficulties life and ministry. I first want to thank you for updates and praying for us regularly. Your mean a lot to us. We hope you will feel better pray for us after reading.

Winter is finally over here. Life changes as we see people out again and get started on garden and outdoor activities. Not only that, but church attendance is up. Mother's Day and Easter filled our building more than it had been in a year. The gospel has been going clearly out since our study in Romans began in January and people are growing.

I have had the opportunity to counsel individuals one-on-one because of our study and interactions. It has been a scheduling difficulty, but also a joy. I believe we may yet have another baptism this year as a result.

We are wrapping up our youth group for the year at the end of this month. We are hoping the parents will come out for our year-end cookout to meet some church folks and hear the gospel that we have been sharing with their kids all year. My mentoring at the school will also be done for the summer. This will hopefully free us up for other activities.



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completely

We have started an evening bible study on Sunday nights and Thursday nights for a series on worship. This is overlapping for a couple of weeks. I hope to see more encouragement and come as we adjust. We are planning outdoor services in the community this summer for each month, as well as movie nights. I have partnered with Drive-In Ministries to get licenses to show about 30 different Christian/inspirational movies in the community. The Clam River Chapel elder board is helping preview a few choices for our June showing.

The kids have even gotten involved in the community. Several moms got together to help, and the kids planned and put on a bake sale during Falmouth's garage sale weekend under the name "Falmouth Area Kids Enterprises" (F.A.K.E. for short). It was an opportunity to see more people in the community and build relationships. They may even have an encore at the 4th of July event in town.



We are blessed to be here and the people are grateful to have us. There are always opportunities to serve. Visitation is busy on a weekly basis as well as local funerals and community events. I am working on counseling for performing my first wedding here.

We also have had the opportunity to serve family. My parents have been getting ready to retire and by the end of this month will be moved into a town only 30 miles from us. My sister Amy has already moved in with us after her internship graduation at Frontier School of the Bible. These are good changes, yet we're still working out the schedule changes these joys offer.

This letter is a little delayed and a little longer than usual. However, we still enjoy hearing from you all as you are able. I will end with a Scripture to remember and pray with us in our planning of service:

“The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

(1 Peter 4:7-11)

Thanks again for the prayers. We invite you to let us know how you are doing. We look forward to hearing from each of you.

Your family in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Chapman & family". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Stephen Chapman and Family

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to keep our prayer requests handy:

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Prayer Requests

- Please pray that Clam River Chapel can continue to reach families through the summer even though our school-year outreach is ending.
- Please pray for God's blessing on the preaching of the Word at Clam River Chapel.
- Please pray for God to bless our beginning efforts to learn Spanish so that we can reach out to more neighbors.
- Please pray for us to faithfully disciple our own children.

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