



# GODTEL

## Report

March 2024~Lufkin

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*"May my lips overflow with praise, for you teach me your decrees. May my tongue sing of your word, for all your commands are righteous. May your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts. I long for your salvation, O Lord, and your law is my delight. Let me live that I may praise you, and may your laws sustain me." Psalm 119:171-175*

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BOOM!

"I think it was thunder," he said. He turned his head around and went back to sleep.

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### EMPLOYMENT REPORT

New jobs-6

Still working-13

The Mosaic Center-2

The Men's Fieldhouse-7

Praise the Lord!

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The alarm clock rang and we got up for our morning routine. After coffee, prayer, Bible reading and getting dressed, we were ready for the day's work. We headed out the door. As I stepped out the door I looked to my right and I saw a big tree branch leaning against the fence. We looked a little closer. Another big branch was leaning on a storage building next door.

There had not been any rain, thunder or storm during the night. We called our favorite tree guy, Eric. Martin described the damage and sent pictures to Eric. Eric said he and his crew would be here in the morning.

And they were here in the morning, bright and early. It was a complicated situation. They had a bucket truck and ropes and a tree climber with spiked shoes. It turned into an all day "rescue."

The skilled men took great care and got the job done. When the job was done, tree branches, limbs

and sawdust were picked up and whisked away. We, then, did our part. The fence was repaired and the roof of the storage building was fixed. We thank God that Eric was available to come quickly.

Brooke has resigned to concentrate on her health and Christi is back in the office. Christi had cataract removal surgery on both her eyes this past month. She is so glad to see again and so are we. She has been busy since her surgery. We have heard the melodious song of the sewing machine from Christi's office. And now our laundry bag supply has multiplied. Martin gave her another art assignment. It is ready for Resurrection Sunday. Come by and see the three crosses set on the hill of Calvary.

*"How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!" Psalms 119:103*

Our guest cooks showed us their love with delicious meals. We had spaghetti, a choice of red and chicken. French bread and salad complimented the meal. We had lasagna times two, also, served with salad and French bread. Sloppy joes were made and served by our 4th Friday cooks, Believers Bible Church. It is such a treat and blessing fellowshiping with our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

Martin's mom is in Kingsland (aka Texas hill country) for a few

months. She is staying with Susan, Martin's sister. Mom is right there for the unveiling of the spring Bluebonnet extravaganza. There are so many beautiful wild flowers decorating our Texas highways. And don't forget the Dogwood trees.

Our two women students are still attending The Mosaic Center spring session. In fact, it won't be long until graduation. We are proud and pleased with them. Keep it up, girls!

Our men, also, are still going to classes Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105*

Wow! For two weeks we have had every bed in the women's dorm filled. Plus two baby beds were occupied. We have pulled out and set up cots in the hallway. The men's side is, also, loaded with men. There is an empty bed or two. Several are waiting for their tax refund to move out. And others are saving their money to get their own place to live.

Martin and I had the blessing to go south and visit our daughter and granddaughters. We attended one of Emily's basketball games. Her team won the game and she scored 10 points. Lauren goes to gymnastics. While we were there Lauren showed us several tricks she has learned and other goals

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### So You'll Know

February 2024  
1st-35 people  
29th-40 people  
Total helped-73 people  
Praise the Lord!



Martin Baker  
Executive Director

Bro. Martin Baker was one of the founders and is the Board President of God's Open Door To Eternal Life, Inc. d.b.a. GODTEL Ministries, a 501 (c)(3) organization.

We are incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas but we do not seek nor accept government funding of any kind.

GODTEL operates three homeless shelters in East TX, located in Nacogdoches, Lufkin, and Livingston, where the Gospel of Jesus Christ is presented daily in word (twice daily Bible classes & Christian counseling) and deed (shelter, food, clothing, and other necessities).

In Nacogdoches and Livingston, GODTEL operates "Christian Help Centers" which freely provide clothing, furniture, and household items to area residents.

Martin is available to speak about GODTEL to your Church or civic group. Most days you may reach him at the Lufkin Mission.

**"The poor have the Gospel preached to them."  
Matthew 11:5**

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**"I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." Psalm 119:10 & 11**

she is working towards. As always, the time with our family was too short, but well worth the drive.

The next Saturday, we made a one day trip to Nederland and back for a shareholders' meeting. Our son has a business and, being good parents, we have shares in his business. Plus we get to see and visit our son and his two children. Saturday evening, after returning to Lufkin from Nederland, we dressed up and went to Carpenter's Way Baptist Church for a meal with all the different ministries that the church supports. Sunday morning was the Mission Sunday at the church. We are so blessed to be a part of this community of Lufkin believers. We enjoyed seeing folks we already know as well as meeting new ones. We, also, get to catch up on the news of our fellow local ministries. We attended the service.

Praise songs were sung and a message was presented. What a super God-way of ending the month.

*"I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on your laws. I hold fast to your statutes, O Lord; do not let me be put to shame." Psalms 119: 30&31*

Thank you for the good response to the umbrella and rain poncho need request. They have come in handy this past month.

Thank you for your support, your giving, your prayers, your volunteering and your encouraging words.

Because we serve a Living God,  
Martin and Mary Baker

*"I am your servant; give me discernment that I may understand your statutes." Psalms 119:125*

Coming Soon to  
Everywhere!

**RESURRECTION  
DAY**

March 31, 2024