

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Psalm 116:8

October 2021
Nacogdoches & Livingston

GODTEL Report



A Gentry Comes and a Gentry Goes

September celebrations and disappointments have come and gone. Celebrations included the birth of our 15th grandchild, Benjamin Charles Gentry, on the 14th (parents, Joshua and Erin).

We were indeed disappointed to see the Feast of Trumpets pass unfulfilled by the rapturing of the Church and we were shocked by the death of GODTEL's founder and Executive Director — my husband, June Gentry (photo below).



Early in September he and I each developed a COVID-19 infection. His symptoms had been present too long for him to receive the infusion of antibodies. I was able to get the infusion and I had a very light case. June developed COVID Pneumonia and spent two days in the emergency room in our Livingston hospital before he got a bed at St Luke's Baylor hospital in Houston. After five miserable days

there, he insisted that I bring him home where, 14 hours later, his body peacefully succumbed to the disease, setting his soul and spirit free to enter Heaven. Two of our children commented that they found it interesting that from diagnosis to death was seven days. (The number seven being God's number of completion.)

This month's insert has a brief overview of his life and his obituary which our daughter, Joann, wrote for me.

God's amazing grace, mercy, comfort, love and provision are evident in my experience through the words and actions of our many Christian friends and family members. The great, and only true, God that June and I served together for over 48 years continues to provide all I need. Praise His Name.

Some people have asked me what's to become of GODTEL and I reply that the plan is to just keep on ministering. June would have been the first to tell them that this is God's ministry, not June's, and God is still alive and well and in control. Our Board of Directors will be meeting the first week of October to seek God's will and discuss plans He has for the future. I will give you an update in our next month's newsletter.

Meanwhile, we would appreciate your prayers as we go for-

ward—that we would hear God's voice, and obey. We want only what God wants.

COVID Report

The Nacogdoches mission has had an outbreak of COVID which affected almost all of the residents but, thank God, spared our workers. We discovered one of the possible sources to be a resident who knew he was positive but, without telling us, volunteered to help serve breakfast. He moved out soon thereafter and we found hospital paperwork he left behind showing he was positive for COVID. (He is no longer welcome at GODTEL.) I don't know if June caught it from him, or from someone he gave it to, but I do know that God is still in control and has purpose in all that He is allowing.

Once we knew COVID was at the mission we required everyone to wear masks at all times during the day and we increased our sanitizing efforts. Our residents were tested and later retested to monitor the progress of the disease. We still have about nine people whose test results we are waiting on to see if they are clear of it.

Once again we resorted to having new arrivals be tested prior to being admitted.

Giving Thanks in All Things

We are very thankful for the many donations of food and finances, for the many prayers

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Nacogdoches Stats — August, 2021

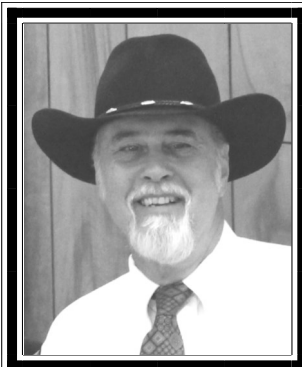
August Residents:	62
Nights' Lodging Provided:	1,005
Meals Served:	3,058
Christian Help Ctr. Clients:	717
2021 Professions of Faith in Christ:	3

Livingston Stats — August, 2021

August Residents:	20
Nights' Lodging Provided:	214
Meals Served:	674
Christian Help Ctr. Clients:	453
2020 Professions of Faith in Christ:	3

Lufkin Stats — August, 2021

August Residents:	45
Nights' Lodging Provided:	653
Meals Served:	2,012
2021 Professions of Faith in Christ:	4



Bro. June Gentry

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Bro. June was the founder and for 45 years the CEO of God's Open Door To Eternal Life 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 NAC & LIV, GODTEL operates "Christian Help Centers" which freely provide clothing, furniture, and household items to the poor.

Bro. June wrote a book titled "Creation vs. Evolution" giving **scientific facts** supporting "recent" Creation and was nearing completion of a commentary on the first eleven chapters of Genesis and a book of Christian fiction about going to Mars. They will be completed.

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

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prayed in our behalf, and for words of encouragement. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Sorrow Upon Sorrow

COVID has claimed another victim in our circle of friends. In last month's newsletter I announced Bro. Findley's marriage to Maria (a.k.a. Mary). We do not understand why God gave them only three months together but, as Bro. Findley told us, God is God and He has the right to do with us as He sees fit. We do not have to understand. We just must trust and obey. Only then can we know the peace of God.

Boat & Trailer for Sale — Still

The Celebrity boat and trailer pictured here are parked at the Nacogdoches location. The boat is 17'6" long. It is a 1984 model with

fiberglass hull and has an inboard/outdrive gasoline engine. The only problem we know of is that the engine needs a water pump. We will consider any reasonable offer. Proceeds from the sale will be used to house and feed the poor and homeless individuals we minister to here at GODTEL. For more information, call or email. *Make an offer.*

— Nancy Gentry



Isaiah 26:3

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusts in Thee.

For Your Information

Bro. June's sermons and music are available for viewing and listening to on YouTube. Just search for "June Gentry preaching" and you can hear the sermons he has preached at the missions.

His music CDs and helpful Christian literature, including the series on Faith by Manley Beasley are also available directly from GODTEL (Contact information is at the bottom of this page). Call, email, or write us.

Please Remember

GODTEL accepts scrap metal donations, including old cars, lawn mowers, and appliances at each of our three locations.

(We will pick up vehicles when possible.)

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