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THE DAVIS FAMILY

What a joy to serve the LORD in one of the most beautiful places in the world! The morning and evening temperatures are much cooler and some of the poplar trees are beginning to turn off yellow. It is hard to believe the Spring/Summer has passed so quickly and everyone is starting to settle in for the Fall routine. I trust the Lord will find each of His children faithfully serving Him in whatever the next months bring to pass.

1. Bible Conference ... June 2 -3. Four services in two days with emphasis directly on God's Word. The meeting was a great encouragement to all that attended. In the day we live there seems to be no sure foundation on which people build their lives, homes, marriages ... everything is in constant fluctuation. Yet, the Word of God liveth and abideth for ever (1 Pt. 1:23). The Scriptures must be our sole authority in faith and practice. This was the exact message delivered to the flock making up Hinton Baptist Church. Stand on the old Book! We need nothing different. It was a wonderful blessing to see an entire family (7 individuals) each have **new bibles** in their hands for church time just a few weeks later!

2. Visits from Family ... We love serving the LORD in Hinton, Alberta. We have made some wonderful friends and I pray we have impacted many of them for good and for God. However, in an earthly setting nothing can compare to spending time with family! My dad was able to come up in the late Spring. As the years pass I am greatly appreciative of every chance to spend a little time with my dad. His trip was just that ... a little time ... and almost as quickly as he arrived it was time to leave. Then, just a few weeks ago, my in-laws pulled in the driveway and the visiting began again. Wonderful food, laughing, and several projects were taken care of during their stay. Yes, almost as quickly as they arrived it was time to leave. The wonders and glory of Heaven are beyond our understanding but, one thing I am looking forward to (Christ Jesus is first) is the wonderful truth there will be **no good-byes in Heaven!**

3. Gospel Outreach ... Knocking on doors, handing out John and Romans Scripture booklets, hanging church information on doorknobs up and down the streets around town; each Thursday evening and as opportunities arise throughout the week the simple Truth is given. The Lord did not tell us how big the harvest would be ... only "*Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest*" (John 4:35). There is a someone that will listen to the good news of Jesus Christ! May God help us to remain steadfast in sharing that good news with every someone.

4. Youth Conference ... August 23-25. Three young people from Hinton Baptist and myself had the privilege of attending the Youth Conference of Faith's Door Baptist Church in West Kelowna, B.C. Eighteen teens registered (6 different churches) for the conference. The games and activities were a blast! The fellowship among the pastors that attended/chaperoned was encouraging. The perception of "I'm not the only one trying to live for God" that some of the teens came away with was certainly beneficial. The preaching was straight down the line ... biblical! convicting! applicable! In short, this was **a very good experience for those that went.** Please, help us pray that other adults in our church will see the wonderful benefits and be willing to chaperone for future youth meetings.

Thank you for your prayers and continued support throughout the years. Thank you dear friends ... Your faithfulness and prayers make all the difference!

God Bless, Shane Davis