

## **God is awesome**

Dear Brothers and Sisters at Immanuel,

We send you this letter with much thankfulness for your support of us in ministry, and even more so as our society decays and runs away from God. Nevertheless God still does great things and changes lives in the midst of great opposition. The following story is our recent past and current experience with a couple we are spending time with.

About six months ago, a couple came to the bible study I am teaching on Wednesdays at our church. They were looking for marriage counseling and really needed a lot of help. We along with others at church helped them physically and tried to influence in good ways, but they shortly disappeared from our lives. A few months later Lisa saw her begging on a street corner. We later found out that she was living in her car. She was able to get a hold of us and we met her at a grocery store not too far from us. She was at the end of her own strength. Their kids had been taken away from them by Child Protection Services (CPS) and put into custody of family members. They had no recourse.

She and her husband were separated but didn't really want to be. After a life of crime and drugs they truly reached out and realized they needed help. During the next couple months, we and others from church have been able to help them walk towards getting their lives right with God and move towards a healthy family life. In just a few short months, they both have jobs, a house to rent, and just a week ago CPS granted them custody of their children.

For the past few months I have been mentoring him and get to experience the awesome change of mind that God is doing in this man. For the first time in his life (according to his wife), he is stepping up to be the leader in his marriage and with their children. She is in constant contact with Lisa who gives her woman to woman godly counsel. They attend church regularly and have found a great support system in the body of Christ. Please be praying for this couple as they still have things to work through. Pray for strength and consistent renewal of their minds.

One detail from our family, I have had the opportunity to have a Bible study with our daughter's boyfriend for the past couple months. He has very little knowledge of God and His word and is lost when he goes to the church she attends. Pray that God would convict and convince this young man's mind and heart as his understanding grows.

We are so thankful that we get to come alongside people to help in their process of being a follower of Jesus Christ. Our society gets worse, but our mission is still the same, to make disciples of Jesus Christ, be and make people who love, obey, and imitate our Lord.

In His Service,

*Kevin and Lisa Lewis*