

## <u>Please Pray For:</u>

Open doors to more ships

Spiritual growth of the seafarers trusting Christ

Full-time help at Panama City port

#### Our Praise For:

**Co-Laborer James Nowell** 

Two men volunteering their efforts to help at Panama City Port Alan Strunk Ron Maddox

Newer van in Panama City

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Placing the Word in the hands and hearts of foreign seafarers

## June 25, 2018

Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf. II Corinthians 1:11

While preparing some thoughts for our ministry update, It came to my mind that it would be helpful to share the impact you folk have in the ministry we serve in. This verse helps to show the importance of your prayers. We take the gifts (finances for bibles, hygiene items, music cd's, etc.) that you give to us, and as we give them out, the thanks we receive from the seafarers really goes to you. So many, perhaps thousands of seafarers around the world are able to hold scriptures in their hands and Bible verses in their hearts, because of you. You and I will never know the impact of your sacrificial gifts until we get to heaven. Perhaps that is the best way to find it out so all the glory goes to God.

Sometimes it seems we are in the summer doldrums with not many ships in port on certain days. Then, we will get many and it seems to be so busy we don't get the quality time that really makes the difference. However, God still gives us those that are willing to hear.

My bouncing back and forth from Mobile to Panama City is proving to be difficult for consistency sake but my co-laborer, James Nowell continues to do an outstanding job in Mobile. His faithfulness to this ministry is surely appreciated. The work in Panama City is going along very well. I have seen the Word impact so many these past months. A seafarer by the name of James found out his father had died that morning I was aboard his vessel. Of course he was distraught and looking for help as he wept in the crew messroom. After praying with him and showing him scriptures he seemed comforted. The next day the second officer asked me to conduct a service in memory of James' father and to encourage the crew. We rejoice as seven men came forward (including James) after the service acknowledging their faith in the finished work of Christ on the cross. We have found that asking them to see us after the service is a good way for them to secure their decision for Christ and get the *Anchors of the Faith* discipleship course. Just being on board at the right time is all of God and His perfect will for the gospel to go out.

Karen and I remain well. The summer heat in Alabama keeps us close to the A/C when we are home. We sometimes reminisce how we miss the cool mountain air of our previous home in Colorado. We were able to travel to Kentucky the first part of June to attend my mother's 80th birthday and see all of my siblings again in one location. We have much to be grateful for.

Please see the attached photos. I wish I could tell you the story of each one and the difference you have made in each life.

Gratefully submitted,

Ken and Karen Kraich