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Acts 20:26-27 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

A couple of weeks ago, I preached a message on Halloween called, "The Devil's Holiday". In the sermon I covered all aspects of that demonic holiday. As I was preaching, a new visitor, a teenage young lady named Kaylee, screamed out with eyes wide, "I do not want to go outside! I don't want to leave this church!" She was petrified to step outside of the church building. I talked with Kaylee after the service about eternity and she saw from the scriptures that she was on her way to Hell. That morning Kaylee received Christ as Saviour. Amen and Amen!

Also, after I preached that sermon about Halloween, many that come to our church said they had no idea that Halloween was so evil. The following week, Robert Calvert, who is ten years old and attends our church was asked by a class mate what he was going to be for Halloween. Robert replied, "Nothing, I don't do Halloween that is the Devil's holiday, man!" When I heard what Robert had said, I thought, "Someone is listening when I preach and that makes it all worth it".

This past Saturday, while on visitation, I met a man named Donald who is living with his daughter and son-in-law in base housing. Donald told me that his daughter just had her first child three days before and her husband is out to sea on deployment. We started to talk about spiritual matters and I must say, Donald was well versed in the scripture. But when we went over to the book of Romans it was very apparent that Donald only had head knowledge. As I witnessed to Donald, I would start a verse and he would quote the rest of the verse, then he stopped, I saw his whole countenance change. The Holy Spirit of God revealed to Donald his lost condition. Donald received Jesus as Saviour that morning and now has heart knowledge as well as head knowledge.

Keith Jackson, a member of our church, left this past Sunday to go for training in California and then to Washington state for more training before he is shipped over to Iraq for nine months. Keith has a wife and two children, please pray for Keith's safety and for the Lord to comfort his family while he is deployed.

This is the most difficult duty station I have ever experienced during my 30 years of being associated with the military. Almost every active duty sailor in our church is deployable. I do thank God for our fifteen year old son Donny. He is my number one usher, greeter and soul winning partner. He is faithful and willing to do anything needed in the church for this ministry reaching the military for Christ. And I do thank God for the rest of my family and all that they do for this ministry. Each one is involved to a great extent working at Freedom Independent Baptist Church. I must say it is not my ministry but our ministry for the Lord. We as a family do thank God for the opportunity to serve Him, reaching and helping our military folks and their families for Christ.

Pray that God will send some faithful mature Christians to the Mayport area who are looking for a conservative, Independent, Baptist Church to attend and to serve in. Also pray that God would send a faithful man that would lead music in our church. I could really use the help.

In Christ,
Brother Chris War and Family