

# Sawyers Hollow

## CHRISTIAN REFUGE

October 2024



Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. *Philippians 4:6*

### Prayer Requests

Bro Wendell & Ms. Rose's health  
Riley family travels  
Anja's cancer recovery journey  
Finances & Building Projects  
Tractor for property maintenance



Preaching at a nursing home in Mississippi



Mission Project at Bethany Baptist Church in Mississippi



Lexi & Remy cleaning the carpet

Dear Pastor and church,  
Well, fall is on us already!

In the month of August, we attended Mt Pleasant's Camp Meeting in Clay, AR, then traveled to Alabama for Sam to preach and our family sing for Bro Andrew McAfee. The next week,

the Lord allowed us to do some mission work for Bro Tim Ellis and help his church with a remodel project. The rest of August was filled with doctor visits, starting a new school year and trying to catch up on maintenance tasks on Sawyers Hollow.

In September, we made a quick trip out to South Carolina through Alabama to preach, sing, and attend a camp meeting. Our return trip allowed us to stop in Georgia to be in service with Bro Eddie Wyatt as well as Bro Joe Arthur. We ended the month of September at home with Anja having her port removed as the final step of her cancer treatments. Praise the Lord!

October began another round of travels, with our first stop in Hornbeak, Tennessee at Calvary Baptist Church's fall camp meeting. Bro Carl Southerland's meeting is always a breath of fresh air! We then traveled to Pennsylvania to preach and sing in a couple churches.

Anja's Cancer Journey  
*But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of my head.*  
*Psalms 3:3*

I feel like this journey is soon coming to an end!  
Hallelujah! We had my infusion port removed since I am no longer taking treatment through it. I am still seeing my oncologist and getting scans every few months to make sure the cancer is staying gone. The Lord has been so gracious to me through this whole journey!

-Anja Riley

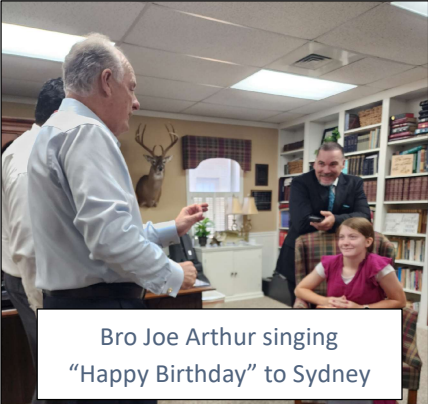
Hebrews 10:24-25

And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.



Bro Sam preaching

These churches in Pennsylvania have become very special to us! Bro Phil Thomas, the pastor of Bible Baptist in Meadville, took the time to invest in our children, particularly in our boys by allowing each of them to preach while we were there. We thank the Lord for his protection as this year seems to be the year of storms. As we were traveling to one of the churches on Sunday evening, we found ourselves driving through the edge of a tornado!



Bro Joe Arthur singing "Happy Birthday" to Sydney

We then traveled south to Tennessee to take part in a camp meeting under the direction of Pastor Keith Smith. Our young men got the opportunity to preach here as well. The next week we traveled to another camp meeting in Hartselle, Alabama where we were privileged to witness the new birth of two young souls! Also, we, as a family, got to minister in song and Bro Sam preached.



Celebrating birthdays while home for a couple days.

Back in Arkansas, we celebrated 171 years with Center Hill Missionary Baptist Church under the direction of Pastor Derek Hulse. It was a blessing to learn some of the history of this church, which stayed active during the civil war and both World Wars, survived a small pox outbreak, multiple church building projects, church splits and many other untold hardships, yet they are still active in trying to reach the community around them. What an encouragement! We then supported Pastor Frank Fason and his church's mission revival through music as well as Sam preaching with Bro. Elvis Sneathern.



~Bro Sam & Anja Riley, and crew



## Vision & Goals

Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.  
Proverbs 29:18 KJV

Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls...  
Jeremiah 6:16 KJV

Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.  
Proverbs 24:27 KJV

The Lord has been so good to us and we give Him all honor and glory! By His grace and provision we will continue in the work He has called us to.

- ❖ Finish the tabernacle.
- ❖ Edify and encourage more men and women of God to continue.



### **Tabernacle Materials List & Estimated Cost**

Lumber - \$10,000

Metal - \$8,000

Electrical - \$5,100

Plumbing - \$6,000

Sheetrock - \$1,700

Total: \$30,800

