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While others made their way to Spokane, Washington, for the annual messenger meeting, I stayed behind to fill the pulpits at Calvary in Magnolia, Arkansas, for Bro. Micah Carter, and First MBC of Delight, Arkansas, for Bro. Bryan Sellers. Bro. Bryan had also asked me to look at a possible ABATech project for his church while I was there.

The congregation at Calvary in Magnolia reminded me that two years ago, I had come to install a camera live streaming package for them. They had planned to take up a love offering for me the following Sunday, but COVID struck and they did not meet that Sunday, and I had not been back since. I had forgotten all about it, but Bro. Micah had not! He had invited me to fill in for him while he was in Spokane this year so that the church could finally give me that offering. Meanwhile, terrible storms ripped through Texas, Louisiana, and Arkansas, the weekend of the ABA Meeting. Sunday morning, just before Sunday School was scheduled

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to start, lightning struck the underground power at Calvary and the decision was made to cancel services. The congregation joked that the last time I came, I brought a global pandemic, and the next time I came, the power went out, so I am not invited back to Calvary in Magnolia. The church still gave me an offering, and we had prayer in the parking lot.

Dismissing before Sunday school allowed me to make the drive up to Delight in time for morning worship. I reviewed their need for a new display at the front of the sanctuary. They were interested in replacing their projector with TVs but after looking at their building, I did not recommend TVs due to the size constraints and the distance from the furthest pew to the front. Instead, I quoted a new laser projector. I enjoyed lunch with some church members and an afternoon nap at the home of one of the members before preaching the evening service. It was a long drive and a tiring weekend with work waiting on Monday morning, but to serve the Lord and His churches is worth it!

I was asked by Bro. Danny Mendoza, Sec/Treas of Missions for the state of Texas, to design an ad campaign calling for prayer, centered around Luke 10:2. We have so many churches across our state, and around the country, without pastors. We also have so many areas that are unreached with the gospel and have no presence of a scriptural church where we need missionaries to send. The Lord did not say, "There are plenty of laborers, but the crop has failed." Quite the opposite. He said the harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few. In the state of Texas, we are calling for prayer on August 6, but I use my platform to invite all churches, regardless of your state, to join us and unite in prayer, calling on the Lord of the Harvest to send forth more laborers. - Brandon Jones



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