



An Abundant Harvest

Matthew 9:37

Presbytery of Wisconsin & Minnesota



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Welcome to the October 2026 edition of “An Abundant Harvest” the newsletter for Home Missions in the Presbytery of Wisconsin, Minnesota, and the Upper Peninsula of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church.

Shining a Spotlight on the Lord’s Work in

Zoar, WI - Menominee OPC

This is our newest mission work even though she has a lot of history. Pastor Jonathan Peters is slated to begin as Stated Supply on November 1. Please pray for their travels and adjustments.

Despite being in PA, he is pastoring the people. He was excited to report that a lady seemed to recently come to know the Lord. The gospel finally clicked for her. Her boyfriend went to prison for drug usage and pushing. He is out and retraining as a drug and alcohol counselor. His parole officer could not make a speaking engagement with 30-40 people of the Menominee tribe, so he asked John to take his place. John spoke and talked about how Jesus made all the difference in his life. When he completed his talk the 30-40 people gave him a standing ovation. WOW! The Lord orchestrated that and He gets the credit!!



Moving on to Madison Chinese Christian Church (MCCC) – Church Planter Joseph Wan

I believe they had 9 new students who involved themselves with the “Tours of Madison” that the church sponsored. There was a final gathering at the home of Pastor Nate. One lady from the congregation who has training in mental health offered her help to students who are struggling with all the transitions.

Glenda, who is Bill’s (elder) wife, in her 70’s, had a stroke recently and is regaining her speech and movement on her left side through rehab. Pray for them both in this setback.

Joseph is burdened with his son, Jason, who took his step 2 Medical test. He did not pass. The family is struggling with what to do next. Jason is of course disappointed. Please remember him in prayer.

Continue to pray for Joseph's green card as his expires in June 2027.

Moving on to Covenant Life Church – Shawano, WI – Church Planter Gordon Oliver

The year started off with about 30 worshippers. Then this month there was a hard setback as a family of 5 announced they are leaving soon. The family is moving to Missouri to take care of his ailing father (which is great!). Earlier in the year, 3 people left to go to the revitalized Zoar work.

Pray for the Lord to grant new growth. They are forming an Outreach & Evangelism Committee. Pray for their meetings.

Moving on to Alexandria, MN



area.

A fellow named Taylor reached out to the CHMCE office and to me via email. I called him that day and talked with him for about a half hour. The talk was very good. Because of the birth of 2 of our grandchildren, I delayed visiting Alexandria for about a month. Meanwhile, he is talking with a few other interested families and Lord willing we will talk again tomorrow.

Alexandria is about 2-2.5 hours NW of the Twin Cities on the interstate. It has over 15,000 people. The area is known for its Scandinavian history and its outdoor sports during the summer and winter. The closest Reformed Church is about an hour away. There is a liberal PCUSA church in the next town over. Pray for the Lord to open a wide-open door of opportunity!

Please contact me with any contacts you have in the Alexandria, MN

Moving on to Abundant Grace Presbyterian Church – Burnsville, MN

I prayed for two sparks plugs to come to our church and the Lord answered with one so far. His name is John and he is a PCA ruling elder that we have known for years. A good servant. He has been improving our footprint and getting our name out there. Thank the Lord for that!

We had a town meeting after service to discuss the next 2 months. A vote was taken on whether to shut down worship at the end of September, or the end of October, or keep on going indefinitely. Just before the vote, a text was inadvertently received by one lady which told of a new family of 6 who hoped to start coming. Later we received a message that another couple was considering coming. How the Lord works! One gentleman came to this month's Prayer Meeting but in the subsequent weeks no newcomers have come to worship. Keep praying.

October Plans

1. I am focusing on Burnsville for the month. I will also take a week of vacation to meet our newest granddaughter, Molly.

Please pray...

1. Give thanks for the births of our granddaughters Cora & Molly. Cora is well but Molly is still working on breathing on her own. The moms are both doing great. Praise the Lord!
2. Pray for the Lord to lead and help the Burnsville work as we are running services for at least one more month. Pray that the Lord would make her future clear and add new people to her ranks.

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