ADMINISTRATIVE BISHOP'S Parting Thoughts

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It is hard to believe this is our final article as your Administrative Bishop and needless to say we are filled with mixed emotions. The eight years we have been with you has been some of the most enjoyable years we have ever had in ministry. Ruth and I cannot find the words to adequately describe how we are feeling right now. The love and support which has been shown to us over these years is something we will cherish for the rest of our lives. West Virginia, you are the best and we thank you from the depths of our heart for all the love and support you have given us.

Bill and Amanda Woodruff have served with us these last six years and the work they have done has been exceptional. Anything they have been assigned to do has been done with excellence and with the heart of a servant.

I want to commend the wonderful office staff that has worked so well with us to make sure that our office is run efficiently. Tammy Taylor our State Treasurer has fulfilled her responsibilities with excellence and is to be commended for a job well done. Sarita Smith the Overseer's secretary is one of the best and I commend her for the faithfulness she has exemplified over these years of service. Lisa Newsome is a blessing to the office and works diligently in her role as the Youth and Discipleship Secretary. This staff has always shown a spirit of cooperation and willingness to do whatever in order to get the job done. We will miss each of them and especially the times we spent together in our staff meetings having devotions, praying over the requests received on the Mountaineer Ministries envelopes and just sharing with each other. May God bless and reward each of you for your faithfulness.

The State Council, Youth and Discipleship Board, USA Missions Board and Women's Ministries Board have served with excellence and are to be commended for their service. All boards and committees operating throughout this state are to be commended for a job well. How do we express our appreciation for the New River Ranch, Carla and Brad Phillips, as well as, all those who labor in love to minister to hurting children? No doubt there will be a special reward in heaven for each of those. The NRR Board of Directors have served with passion; conviction and deep interest in seeing this ministry thrive. Mark Pittman who serves as the Maintenance Director for the New River Ranch Children's Home has always shown a willingness to do whatever in order to get the job done. I thank you Mark for your service. I also want to commend Thomas and Crystal Snuffer our caretakers at the New River Ministries Center for their service and willingness to do whatever is necessary for the smooth operation of those facilities.

Every board, committee, Regional Overseer or anyone who has served in any capacity of leadership is to be commended for your service and I want to personally thank you for everything you have done. West Virginia the quality of the ministry here is second to none. You have always shown yourselves as a people who desire to serve with excellence and get the job done regardless who gets the credit. Never lose that attitude of willingness for great will be your reward in heaven. To every person that has labored in any capacity of ministry regardless what that is; I want to thank you from the depth of my heart for your service.

To every pastor I want to commend you for the innovative way you worked through the season of this pandemic and continued to spread the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ. Needless to say, we have never faced anything quite like this before but you are to be commended as to how you navigated your way with excellence and continued to share the message of hope when there seemed to be none found anywhere. Keep up the good work and I believe as a result of your efforts we are going to see another great awakening take place in this nation. Revival fires are beginning to burn and a harvest of souls are going to be birthed into the kingdom. Work even harder as you see the days approaching to the coming of the Lord.

The kind expressions of your love shown to us at the Camp Meeting will be something we will cherish for the rest of our lives. The surprise of our induction into the Hall of Prophets was a real shock to the both of us. You all are very good at keeping secrets.

As I close this article I want to share these scripture with you: Jude 24 & 25 "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy 25. To the only wise God our Savior be glory and majesty, dominion and power both now and forever. Amen" Ephesians 3: 20 & 21 "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think according to the power that worketh in us. 21 Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages world without end. Amen ORDAINED BISHOP LICENSURE David Babbitt

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Congratulations to Ruby Kammer on Pastoral Appointment at

Foundations Church of God St. Albans, WV

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The Church of God State Office Staff is praying for each pastor, pastor's wife, minister and lay member, and attender of our churches, that God will provide and keep you and your families safe during this time.

Mountaineer Ministries Prayer Requests:

(these requests come from the white envelope enclosed)

Our country; Our President and State Leaders; Military; Health Care Professionals; Health and Wellness; Finances; Jobs; Marriages; Family; The Church; A miracle healing for Joshua; Son's marriage; My lost children; Test results to come back negative; My marriage; Sickness; My daughters heart problems; Marriage to be restored; My home; God's will in my life; A new car; To get off some medicine's; My husband to be saved; My children to be restored to God; My Finances.

Mountaineer Ministries Praise Reports:

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My home; The church; A pastor who cares; God healing my body of sickness; God saving lost souls; My job; God's hand on my life; Feeling God's presence; Positive test results; My children; Saving my daughter; Financial Blessings; Protecting my children; Living in a free country; A place to live and food to eat; My family; My church's food pantry; God sending our church a Pastor; God making a way for my family; Sending new people to our church; God's hand on my life.

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