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"...ordain elders in every city" Titus 2:5

**Great Start to the New Year...**that is until Satan showed up! "...but God delivered the Victory!"

Goals in place, theme in hand, and looking forward to Vision Sunday on January 6, on the Saturday before while on visitation the Lord allowed me to win a man to Christ whose wife (a regular attender) had almost no hope that her husband would ever get saved. Praise the Lord for that victory! Right after that I received the call from the school custodian where we meet for River Ridge every week. He let me know that we were not on the schedule and so he would not be able to open the building for us on Sunday. After much prayer, text messages, emails, and unanswered phone calls we were faced with the reality that we had no place to meet on Sunday morning for River Ridge. That evening we made all the phone calls to let them know that we would be combining our service with Southport at 9:15 am! Needless to say, it did affect our attendance, but we know for sure that with new church plants—unexpected things always come up, and new Christians don't do well with changes. For 3 weeks we had to combine services meeting at the location for Southport, at the time we normally meet for River Ridge. On January 27, we were able to resume our regular times and locations for both churches. On Sunday, January 13, 3 souls were at the point of salvation until one of the visitors completely disrupted the invitation causing the regular attendee that brought them to church to stop coming back! We have since met with them and we're hopeful that they may return. In spite of the bumpy start to this New Year, the wife whose husband

got saved on January 5, realized that though she had been attending church for many years, she was not saved, and Dina trusted Christ as her Savior as well! Thank each one of you for your faithful support in prayer and financially; we greatly appreciate both! **Yours for Souls, David & Terrie** 



#### **River Ridge announces new Pastor!**

On Sunday 27, we held our Victory Service rejoicing over all of God's blessings in 2018. We are pleased to announce that Pastor Dawayne Graves will be taking the pastorate later this year after raising support to cover his salary.

Southport Baptist Church may move to a new venue at a local church building down the street from where we are currently meeting. If our



proposal is accepted, it will not only save us in our monthly rental costs, but it will also enable us to have our morning, evening, and mid-week services all in the same location!

Currently, we are holding our mid-week service at a nearby community center, and evening services at our home. Please pray for us as we believe this move will help tremendously!

# **New Prayer Requests**

- New Venue for Southport
- More laborers, pianist, song leader
- 12 New Christians currently going through discipleship class—pray they finish
- Support for Pastor Graves so he may take the pastorate at River Ridge

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#### **Praise the Lord!**

- 2 souls saved!
- God met our needs for January
- For the faithfulness of all our partnering churches that pray and support us financially
- Opportunity to attend the Preacher's Delight Conference in Washington hosted by Pastor Smith, and update and preach for Pastor Kinney in Kent, WA
- One of our church plants, Lighthouse Baptist Church, Turlock, CA sent their first Bible college student to WCBC!