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As a result of the closures this past year, the Deaf throughout the US and the world have developed a hunger for God's Word.

I have observed locally that some Deaf churches have not reopened as of yet. Sadly, we have also seen both Deaf ministries within hearing churches and Deaf churches either discontinue their ministries or close, never to open again.

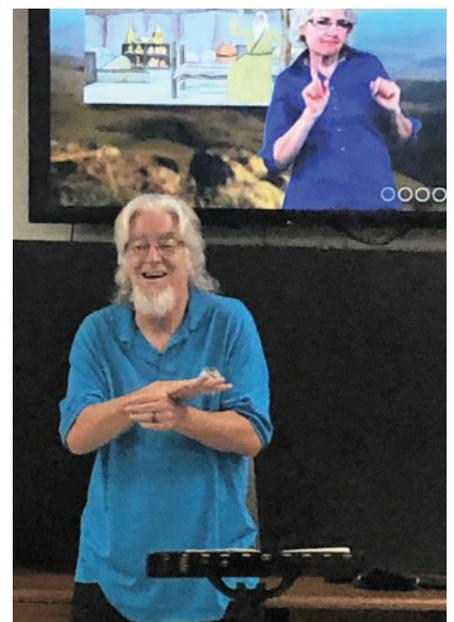
Those who leave everything in God's hands will eventually see God's hands in everything.

"I will restore to you the years that swarming locust has eaten...." Joel 2:25

As we move forward and begin to open up, I want to thank the Lord for redeeming what Satan sought to steal away.

Our work in Raleigh, North Carolina, is a blessing and a testimony of His power:

1. **We have a strong, godly Deaf pastor, Rob Wright.** He is also a 2-by-2 teacher who is leading our Deaf church, Deaf Community Fellowship (DCF).
2. **Our 2-by-2 teams are training others for ministry.** We have a new 2-by-2 teacher who is being trained, with plans to develop a new Deaf Bible study for Deaf women.
3. **DCF is open and the Deaf are attending in-person, eager to learn.**
4. **Sunday mornings we have begun using Facebook Live to reach the Deaf who cannot attend in-person. Through Facebook Live, we are reaching the Deaf with God's Word like never before.** They are given the opportunity to participate by asking questions which will be answered in real-time or just making comments. We get viewers from Virginia, California, Washington, New Mexico, New York, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, and Florida to mention a few. Deaf people from the Philippines, India and Africa are reaching out to us with questions as to where they can find God's Word in their heart language.
5. **Our team has plans for beginning a believers' fellowship locally this summer which would meet in-person weekly.**



6. **Thursday evenings we plan to continue our Zoom Deaf Bible studies that are now reaching the Deaf locally and in other states.** Because of this outreach through Zoom several Deaf have expressed an interest in being trained in DOOR's Deaf methodology so they can begin using the CBT in their towns.

God is using the Chronological Bible Translation to reach the Deaf in their heart language. Dialogue and discussions to achieve clarity are key tools to teach Deaf people the character of God and their need for Him, changing hearts and lives. **It is clear our Deaf attendees only have one goal: to learn more about our Lord and how to apply His Word to their lives.**

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that there are 70 million Deaf people worldwide and that 68 million are still unreached?

Did you know that DOOR International has planted approximately 1000 Deaf churches? DOOR has been planting Deaf-led, reproducible, and sustainable churches among Deaf communities around the world since 2005. These churches are not "DOOR churches." Instead, they are led and run by local Deaf believers.

Did you know that DOOR has over 40 2-by-2 teams serving in 15 countries? The work here in the US is progressing forward.

There are many churches in the US that are using CBT, but **did you know Raleigh, NC is the only place that has 2-by-2 teams and the only church plant in the US?** Pray for our church plant, Deaf Community Fellowship, and its Deaf leaders. Please pray for our 2-by-2 team as we go out to reach Deaf who want to serve in leadership and church planting. Rob Wright is beginning to reach the Deaf in Eastern NC. Please pray for him. Pray for me as I train Deaf women this summer for ministry within DCF and women on our 2-by-2 team.

REJOICE IN BAPTISM

We are praising God for three Deaf who were baptized in June. A Deaf pre-teen who was baptized signed, *"I want to be baptized to show people that I want to follow Jesus. Before I accepted Jesus, I felt lost and bored. My mom, Pastor Rob, Arlene, and Cindy helped me to understand I was a sinner, and I needed a Savior. I prayed with my mom and Cindy.*



"I am learning about God through the CBT in my heart language. In the CBT story about Noah from Genesis 6:1-9:17, I saw how God used Noah and his family and the animals to keep His promise of a Savior. But mostly how He gave His promise through the rainbow to never destroy the earth by a flood again."



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