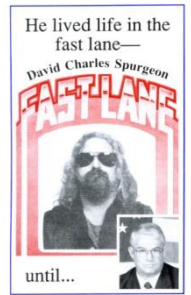




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*Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.* Psalms 116:15

Greetings in the name of our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. I was in Amarillo, Texas on April 21 when the call came informing me that Dr. Peter S. Ruckman had stepped into eternity. I had long held on to the hope that as long as he was breathing, the Lord might grant him his heart's desire and call His bride out of this world during his lifetime. The Lord saw fit not to do it that way, and He has His reasons. We, on the other hand, have our orders. And they haven't changed.

I attempted to write this letter several months ago but I felt that it would have served no other purpose then to let people know that Susan and I are still out here on the firing line. We are. I have learned in this day and age of social media that news travels at the speed of light, and bad news even faster. If we weren't doing what we are supposed to be doing, you would have heard about it by now.

The Lord is keeping us very busy, as usual. In May, a lady and her daughter were saved after the Sunday morning service at a revival meeting in Tiffin, Ohio. That made for a good start to that meeting! Four more folks got saved in June while preaching in several churches in western New York. Two weeks ago, in rural Maine, a sixteen-year-old girl came to Christ. We just finished a six-day meeting on Staten Island, NY in which three adults were saved. To top it off, Bill, a 70-year-old Harley-Davidson repair shop owner got saved at his shop last Friday. Bill had been witnessed to and prayed for quite awhile. God is so good.

A definite highlight this spring was the salvation of Ben Davis. He is a US Marine Corps combat veteran that I met at a local motorcycle repair shop in Dayton, Ohio. Ben took his hat off, bowed his head, and prayed for Jesus Christ to forgive his sins while standing outside the shop, with others bikers walking in and out. A real added blessing for me was that I got to baptize him personally at Charity Baptist Church in July. Pray for Ben. I believe the Lord could still use a "few good men" (*ladies too*) in these last days of "me, me, me....."

Last, and definitely not least. Another very precious saint stepped into the presence of her Saviour this year. Maxine Schmitz, 100 years old, of Vermilion, Ohio went home to be with the Lord in July. She was the mother of nine children, all of whom came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour as well. I have the privilege of being married to number seven. Susan's mother was the nicest human being I have ever met in my life, including my own family! We are going to miss her between now and that glad reunion day, which I am praying is right around the corner.

I will especially miss her prayers for Susan and I as we travel. I appreciate yours, though, and for those of you who support us financially, and sacrificially, we can't thank you enough.

Anticipating the Shout!

*Bro. Dave*

*2 Corinthians 5:17*

*Looking for that Blessed Hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God  
and our Saviour Jesus Christ...*