## March 2008 Report East Gate Missionary Baptist Church Colorado Springs, CO

### **Monthly Blessings**

Springtime in Colorado brings showers but mostly of the white fluffy kind. Even though we had to cancel a couple of evening services due to hazardous driving conditions, we still had a blessed month here. We had 6 returning visitors and 1 first time visitor. Our study about evangelism and reaching out to others with the gospel has gone well so far. We are continuing the study in April. Please pray that we would all be willing to put what we've learned into action. The name of the study was "About our Father's business" and started from the example of Jesus at the age of twelve already speaking the good news to those who needed to hear. I hope this study will motivate the group here to be more of a part of this wonderful work of pointing lost souls to Jesus and to lead those who accept Him further into His service through East Gate. We also have finalized our design for the sign and are in the process of getting a fixed price bid from the sign company. We look forward to having our space more noticeable and to have a more established look.

## **Building Fund Goal**

In looking at the land/building costs here in Colorado Springs, we've decided to set a goal for our building fund of \$100,000 by August 2010 for a down payment on a more permanent meeting place. I very much appreciate the support for our building fund that we have received so far. Anyone that would like to send a special offering towards this need can send to the address below, designated to "East Gate Building Fund". We hope and pray that the Lord will provide an opportunity in this area during the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> year of our lease agreement. As you may already know, we have the option to buy out of the agreement after 3 years and again after 4 years. This will be around August of 2010 and 2011. If you are able to help in this specific need, we would greatly appreciate it. If you are not able to at this time, please keep this in your prayers for us that the Lord would provide a place at a reasonable cost for us long term.

# Thank You

Four years ago in April we started the work here in Colorado Springs. It doesn't seem like it has been that long! I am so thankful to all of the churches and individuals that have sacrificially given to provide for our needs over the years. Only the Lord knows everything that has gone into the support of this work. I trust that He has blessed and will continue to bless all of those who have helped along the way. I know that it is easier to note the financial support received but that is only a part of the support we have received. I'm sure that prayers are offered daily for us because of people's love for the Lord and His work that we are doing here. There have also been cards and notes of encouragement that have been so dear and meant so much to me. I can not express my gratitude in adequate words but I just want each and every person that has supported us in so many different ways to know that I love you all and pray the Lord's continual blessings on you. As the Apostle Paul wrote to the Church at Philippi: "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you..."

#### **Sponsoring Church Address**

Financial support can be sent to this address: Cross Road MBC c/o John Nowlin 111 Ashley 391 Crossett, AR 71635

Thank you and may the Lord bless you all,

Paul Breshears – Missionary Pastor of East Gate MBC Our Website: www.eastgatembc.com



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Beginning Balance			\$12,885.57
Contributions			
Antioch MBC - Van Buren, AR	\$85.35		
Egypt MBC - Hamburg, AR	\$500.00		
Egypt Ladies Aux - Hamburg, AR	\$50.00		
Bartholomew Association Mission Fund	\$250.00		
South Crossett MBC - Crossett, AR	\$50.00		
New Hope MBC - Rison, AR	\$125.00		
West Crossett MBC - Crossett, AR	\$247.02		
Crigler MBC - Star City, AR	\$384.60		
Cross Road MBC - Crossett, AR	\$720.92		
North Loop BC - Crockett, TX	\$100.00		
East Gate Tithes and Offerings	\$3,144.27		
Total Contributions		\$5,657.16	
Expenses			
Lease payment	\$1,800.00		
Crown Publications - website	\$29.95		
Home Depot	\$89.71		
Qwest Phone	\$47.41		
Missions	\$100.00		
Transfer to Bldg fund (10% of East Gate MBC			
Offerings)	\$314.42		
Pastor salary	\$2,137.10		
Total Expenses		(\$4,518.59)	
Increase/Decrease for month			\$1,138.57
Ending Balance	_		\$14,024.14
Building Fund			
Beginning balance			\$8,961.56
Cross Road MBC - Crossett, AR		\$150.00	
Judson MBC - Hamburg, AR		\$85.95	
Bartholomew Association Mission Fund		\$250.00	
Landmark MBC - Delta, Co		\$156.24	
Loan Payment - First State Bank, Crossett, AR		(\$422.43)	
10% of East Gate MBC offerings		\$314.42	
Spare Change Collection - East Gate MBC		\$29.05	
Interest		\$0.07	
Ending balance			\$9,524.89
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Beginning balance	_	\$300.00	
Transfer from general fund			
Ending balance			\$300.00
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Attendance: SS - 19, SM - 19, SE - 16, WE - 15

