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A New Year!!

The first couple of weeks of the new year my 2006 Chevy trailblazer died. I ended up with a 2021 Nissan Altima. See the inside story how God made it all work out.



Third week started off with the presidential inauguration. The next day a snowstorm moved into the state. It snowed nonstop, all day. The storm dropped a foot of snow. The interstate and all the bridges were closed. We only get a light snow maybe once every 10 years. We left Thursday for Chattanooga to attend the Conclave conference. It took us 2 hours just to get out of the city.



Conclave is a youth ministers conference. We brought nine of us to the conference. We were confronted with so much good information about youth and their culture. Everyone came back with ideas to improve the youth program.

The main hall at Conclave is filled with ministries that have set up booths to present to the visitors what they can do for them. They give out T-shirts, stickers, cups, and all sorts of items for you to take home and remember them by. I fill up on all these knickknacks and take them home to give to our kids for our Super Bowl party in two weeks. We have all kinds of food, a commercial making contest, games, you could win a jaw of candy if you could guess the amount in the jaw. Everyone had a great time.

Our church doesn't have a pastor and our sanctuary was destroyed in the last hurricane and the insurance company doesn't want to settle with us. So, on February 22 we had a day of prayer and fasting. It was very needed.

Since the end of February is four days before Mardi Gras we decided to have a king cake party. The king cake is a tradition in New Orleans around Mardi Gras. It is also very profitable so everyone is designing their own king cake. Everyone brought their favorite king cake and everyone had a chance to taste them all.

My Christmas Gift!!

In the beginning of January, I started having problems with my car. I thought I had a bad tank of gas. So, I brought it to my mechanic. He did a diagnostic on it which said it could be a number of things and wasn't worth fixing.

I have two different friends who both told me at the end of the year their clients buy new vehicles and they sell their old cars. So, I called both of my friends but they hadn't heard of any deals. They both knew the same dealer. He found a great deal on a car. It was a



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miles on it for \$16,000. Everyone told me it was a great deal so I bought it.

That afternoon my director and his wife called me. They said I made too much money in January and our missionaries shouldn't make over \$9000 a month. I didn't know that because I never came close to that. I asked how much did I make. They said \$16,000. I told them I was buying a car and that was the exact amount I paid for the car. So they said we'll just put it toward the car. Most of the money came from gifts people sent me for Christmas. I thank each and every one of you who sent me gifts to make this miracle come true.

130 Year Snow!!

Monday, January 20 was Inauguration Day. At night the storm came through. It started snowing at six in the morning and snowed constantly all day till six that evening. For many of you it's just normal weather for this time of the year. But in New Orleans it seldom snows. And when it does, they shut the schools down just for a little dusting. The



whole time I lived here I have never seen a snowstorm this heavy. In fact the last time a storm this heavy came through was 1895. When it was all over it had snowed a foot. We had nothing to help us. Arkansas lent us two front shovel trucks.

Thursday morning we had to leave to go to Chattanooga for our youth conference, Conclave. It took us over two hours to get out of the city. All of the interstates and bridges in the city were still closed. In fact, when we came back Saturday there was still ice and snow on some of the highways.

Conclave!!

Conclave is a youth ministers conference. There are guest speakers, breakout sessions, and a whole hall of ministries that are set up to show what they had to offer. Nine of us went & all came back with lots of ideas to help the youth. We also brought back a lot of shirts, caps, sunglasses, cups, and candy that we used for our Super Bowl party. It was a real learning experience.

Super Bowl!!

Each year we have a Super Bowl party. I must admit a lot of the kids are not in the football. But we have our own games. The youth can make their own Super Bowl commercial which we all vote on. You can guess how many candies are in this big jaw and if you are closest you get the jaw. We have a lot of food and we use our Conclave give-aways as gifts & prizes. The young people really have a great time.

King Cake!!

King cake is one of the traditions of Mardi Gras. The cake is colored on the outside and in one of the sections is a baby doll which represents baby Jesus. If you get the doll you throw the next party. Two Sunday school classes had a King cake party where you can taste all of them.



PRAYER REQUEST

- *For our **President** and our **country**.
- *For **Bob's Ministry** and his **Support**.
- *For the **Students** in **Bob's Ministry**.
- *For those whom **Bob Counsels**.
- *For **Bonnabel & Destrahan** high schools.
- *For **Be One Together**.
- *For **Jacob** & his walk with God.
- *For all the **Youth** in bad home situations.

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I would like to give monthly (circle) \$30 \$60 \$90 \$120 or \$ _____

I would like to give a one-time gift of \$ _____

I will be praying for Bob and his ministry.

Please send me your prayer/newsletter as it is available.

Please assist us by completing the information below:

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