

# Home Missions Today

This is John Shaw reporting the April 26, 2023, edition of Home Missions Today. God is using your prayers to develop the ministries of Orthodox Presbyterian mission works across North America.

## MANASSAS, VA — Acacia Reformed, John Paul & Corinne Holloway



“The Lord has continued to bless us financially with generous giving, and frequent attenders and visitors are beginning to join!” Pastor John Paul Holloway reports on the Lord’s goodness to Acacia Reformed, especially in the areas of fellowship and outreach. “We have had several families interviewed for membership and join. Further, we are looking forward to a Spring evangelism conference for our presbytery and a joint church picnic with Sterling OPC. In terms of evangelistic opportunities, the Lord gave me an opportunity to share the gospel with a man at a Turkish coffee shop that I frequent. I have had many conversations with this man over the last year, but he recently mentioned preparing to fast during Ramadan, which led to a discussion about Christian practices and ultimately the gospel. He was excited to learn about Christianity and to receive a gospel of John, which he said he would read! Please be praying for him and our future interactions.”

## MOLINE, MI — Living Hope OPC, John & Katie Terrell



Rev. John Terrell is immensely grateful to the Lord for recent and ongoing provision. He writes, “We’ve been praying for the Lord to raise up officers, and the Lord has given us more eligible leaders than we could’ve imagined. We are so thankful for the Lord’s answer to this prayer. Additionally, we’re seeing many new visitors; nearly every other month we’ve been taking in new members, and there are some kids who want to make profession of faith. In this, we are blessed to continue to sense a special bond as a church family. The Lord has blessed our congregation with not only adults but little kids who are evangelists. At a couple of our last outreach events, we’ve seen families in attendance resulting from invitations from adults and children. Please pray for families in our congregation who are facing issues concerning jobs, marriages, parenting, and serious illnesses.”

## WILMINGTON, NC — Heritage OPC, Ethan & Catherine Bolyard



Rev. Ethan Bolyard reports, “Concerning church office, the Lord raised up three deacons to serve in the ministry of mercy. One of these deacons (Mike Kelly) is temporarily laboring alongside his wife, Sylvia, in Neon, Kentucky, to assist the Disaster Response work there. Concerning Christian education, we’ve successfully launched Sunday school classes for the first time. Likewise, we had several families and individuals complete our new members course, with plans to interview them soon. As for Christian discipleship, the women’s fellowship is unpacking the practicalities of exercising hospitality. So far, they have shared meals and prepared 16 freezer meals for future mercy ministry needs. With gratitude for the Lord’s provision, we request prayer that he would continue to establish the works of our hands.”

## PLACENTIA, CA — Resurrection OPC, Mark & Celeste Jenkins



Resurrection Presbyterian is thankful for Christ’s provision of a new elder and is also thankful for the ongoing work being done through a local ministry to the homeless. They are grateful to have received some new members recently but are in need of many more if the work is to be sustained. Pastor Mark Jenkins has been blessed by getting to know experienced evangelists in the area and is praying for his own growth in that crucial area of ministry. Please pray for increased contact with unbelievers and opportunity to read God’s word with them. Pray that God would bless Resurrection’s youth group with more regular visitors from outside the church and faith.

