

Ichthus News September 2007

Greetings & blessings from the beautiful Smoky Mountains of North Carolina! It is amazing how quickly September arrived... it seems that only a moment ago we were looking at January and the start of 2007. Now we are almost three quarters through the "new year"! It must be a sign of age that time is gaining momentum in my life.

For whatever reason, September has been a month of significant change for me over the years. In September 1990 I became director of Ichthus Ministries. On September 3, 1994 Edith & I were married. In September 1999 we purchased the original twenty-four acres that are part of the Haven. AND on September 20, 2007 our first son, David Gabriel Dingle was born!

Please rejoice with us as we remember and celebrate these milestones in our life and ministry.

David Gabriel arrived two weeks early yesterday at 3:39 PM. He weighed 8 lbs. 3oz and was 20.5 inches long. He & Edith came home this afternoon and are doing well. Emma, Reah, & Lydia are excited to have a new little brother. I am overwhelmed at the goodness of our God!

This month, I fully expected to be reporting to you that we had sold the old retreat center and had received a large grant for the new retreat center at the Haven. Such is not the case as we neither received our grant nor sold the center. Unless our current financial situation changes dramatically, our leading is to continue hosting groups at the old facility in the coming year and construct the new facility in stages as funds/materials/manpower become available. We have remained debt free in ministry and personally since 1994 and believe that we are to operate in that way as we serve our King.

Want to help? Here's how:

PRAY, PRAY, PRAY...

- a. For God's protection, provision, direction.
- b. For favor with all people
- c. For God's role for you personally in Ichthus Ministries

Thank you for taking the time to read this. Next time I'll share some things we saw The Lord do this summer. Please pass this on to anyone that you think may be interested. Blessings!!!!

Trusting JESUS,

Bill

Prov.3:5-6

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