

The Mansfield Family

Missionaries to **Liverpool, England**

"...they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints" 1 Cor. 16:15



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Hello from sunny England,

It has been a wonderful summer here with Florida-like temps and the occasional rain. Sadly, we have found many people are enjoying the beautiful weather on their weekend rather than spend an hour or so in church! Most of our congregation are baby Christians--easily offended, and require constant love and attention. The Lord has been teaching us how to gently rebuke and guide while striving not to get frustrated at the immaturity demonstrated. We as leaders are still growing and learning!

We had two ladies follow the Lord in baptism. One was Laurie who has been battling her Catholic family over her decision to trust Christ, and follow Him in baptism. Her family came to her baptism and actually enjoyed the service! They are supportive now as she seeks to continue growing in the Lord.



We had our annual men's golf tournament. I didn't win. ☺ I presented David (our Children's Church preacher) with a trophy he can keep until next year. It really bonds us men when we spend a day together in recreation. The women have been preparing for Holiday Kids Club (VBS) at their meetings. Everything is set and organized for the last week of August shortly before the new school year starts. Please pray we would have many children and gain some new families in the church as a result. The lady who was reached through our kids' day a couple months ago accepted

Christ and is growing in the Lord. She and her kids also attend the Tuesday night discipleship class in our home.



We have been doing more repairs to the church but mostly security measures. As the building loses its graffiti walls and gains landscaping it really stands

out in the run-down community! To keep kids off the roof (they are known to stab knives into the felt roof to cause leaks), we put up spike strips, and an alarm on the building which has already been breached and scared the person away before harm could be done. There is still much to be done. We also have received our first law suit! Someone tripped on a broken back step on our property! We are trying to get a fence around the back patio of our property but have to file for permission and the process and paperwork will be about a year we're told!! Thankfully we have insurance that is caring for the suit.

Please be in prayer for our upcoming furlough in October-November. We have a couple staying in our home and running the church while we are gone for 10 weeks. We are booked pretty full with meetings and can't wait to see some of you and allow my in-laws to meet their new grandchildren!

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