



P.O. Box 851
Carlisle PA 17013-0851
717-385-7932
www.carlisletruckstopministry.org

Sharing Christ with Truckers and Travelers Since 1985

January 2021

Dear Ministry Supporters:

The events of 2020 have changed so many aspects of our lives - our daily activities, schooling, travel, relationships, work, and even the way we worship. 2020 has been described as challenging, difficult, unprecedented, trying, troubling and turbulent. But we, as believers, know that our good God is still in control of all things. Hymn writer Margaret Clarkson put it this way:

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
no pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,
you hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

What a blessing to know that our dear Savior loves and cares for us - His children. He will never leave us or forsake us. And, He will receive honor and glory through all that is happening!

We wanted to take this opportunity to update you on what is happening at the truck stop ministry:

After five years of service with Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry, Inc. (CTSM), Co-Chaplain Craig Shambaugh submitted his resignation effective December 31, 2020 in order to pursue other ministry opportunities. In December of 2020, Chaplain Craig completed his online Master's of Divinity program with Liberty University. In the months prior to his graduation, he felt that the Lord was calling him to a different kind of ministry and he has been pursuing those opportunities. As a Board, we pray for Craig as he seeks God's will for the next steps in his life. May God give him guidance, wisdom and great blessing as he seeks to serve his Savior.

In light of the above, CTSM is accepting applications for a new part time co-chaplain. If you know of someone who might be qualified and interested, please contact David Bell, Sec./Treas. at 717-776-7191. Please pray with us that the Lord would direct the right person to us. Please also pray for Chaplain Dave as he tries to 'cover the bases' in the meantime. He is doing well after his radiation therapy, but still has a tendency to 'overdo it.'

We had a successful cookie event with over 11,000 bags of cookies being distributed to the truck stops, trucking terminals, hotels and motels in the Carlisle area. The Director of Sales for one local hotel emailed us to say, "I noticed the cookie drop off in our lobby and I must say that was very nice of your organization. Keep doing the work that the Lord has blessed you all with - God bless!" Many drivers have also expressed their sincere thanks for a bag of homemade cookies.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our two major fundraising banquets in 2020 and currently it does not look good for holding our 2021 spring banquet. We'll keep you posted. However, the Lord has been faithfully providing our financial needs through you, our supporters. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

We pray for God's continued watch-care and protection for you and ask that you do the same for us as a Board. Blessings for 2021!

Paul E. Miller, Chairman

P.S. We have a few 35th Anniversary mugs left. Let us know if you'd like one - \$10 if picked up at the trailer or \$20 if mailed to you.