



FRANKLIN ROAD

baptist church

51 North Franklin Road • Indianapolis, IN 46219 • 317.897.1298

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 1, 2015

U-HAUL



LAST FRIDAY AFTERNOON I PICKED UP A U-HAUL TRUCK IN WATERLOO, IOWA AND ON FRIDAY EVENING IT WAS LOADED WITH ALL OF OUR DAUGHTER'S EARTHLY GOODS. ON SATURDAY I DROVE THE TRUCK TO INDIANAPOLIS AND SUNDAY AFTERNOON IT WAS UNLOADED.

THINK WITH ME FOR A MINUTE ABOUT SOME THEMES FROM U-HAUL.

THINK FIRST ABOUT U-HAUL. THE IDEA IS THAT YOU DO ALL THE WORK. YOU LOAD, DRIVE AND UNLOAD THE TRUCK. I TRULY FEEL FOR ANY PERSON WHO HAS TO DO ALL OF THIS BY THEMSELVES. WHILE HEADING OUT TO IOWA, AT A GAS STATION, SHERRY AND I SAW A WOMEN ABOUT OUR AGE ALL ALONE WITH A LARGE U-HAUL TRUCK PULLING A TRAILER WITH HER CAR ON IT. I CERTAINLY HOPE SHE DIDN'T HAVE TO LOAD AND UNLOAD IT ALONE.

THEN TOO THERE'S THEY-HAUL. WHILE DRIVING BACK TO INDIANAPOLIS ON SATURDAY I SAW AT LEAST TWENTY OTHER U-HAUL MOVING TRUCKS TREKKING ACROSS THE MIDWEST WITH ME. THE PEOPLE IN THOSE VEHICLES WERE MOVING THINGS ALSO. THEY WERE HAULING. WHEN I PICKED UP THE MOVING TRUCK IN WATERLOO THE REPRESENTATIVE INDICATED THAT THIS PAST WEEKEND WAS ONE OF THE PEAK MOVING TIMES ACROSS THE U.S. LOTS OF PEOPLE WERE HAULING.

CONSIDER ALSO WE-HAUL. I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE EIGHT YOUNG ADULT FRIENDS OF LYNETTE FROM WALNUT RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH IN WATERLOO WHO HELPED US LOAD THE TRUCK. FURTHERMORE I WAS OVERWHELMED WITH THE GREAT TURNOUT OF FIFTEEN MEN FROM FRANKLIN ROAD HERE IN INDIANAPOLIS WHO HELPED UNLOAD THE TRUCK IN LESS THAN HALF AN HOUR. WE DID THIS TOGETHER. THESE FOLKS FROM BOTH CHURCHES WERE "SERVING ONE ANOTHER" AS INDICATED IN GALATIANS 5:13.

BEST OF ALL IS I'LL-HAUL. THIS IS WHERE JESUS STEPS IN. MATTHEW 11:28 ENCOURAGES ALL WHO ARE WEARY AND HEAVY LADEN TO COME TO HIM AND HE WILL GIVE US REST. 1 PETER 5:7 REMINDS US TO CAST ALL OF OUR ANXIETIES ON HIM BECAUSE HE CARES FOR US. 11 THESSALONIANS 1:7 TELLS US THAT GOD WILL GIVE RELIEF TO ALL WHO ARE AFFLICTED WHEN THE LORD JESUS IS REVEALED FROM HEAVEN. THE PSALMIST WRITES, "RETURN TO YOUR REST, O MY SOUL, FOR THE LORD HAS DEALT BOUNTIFULLY WITH YOU." (PSALM 116:7)

U-HAUL IS HARD. THEY-HAUL IS COMMON. WE-HAUL IS HELPFUL. BUT I'LL-HAUL IS AMAZING. HEBREWS 4:1 REMINDS US TO NOT COME SHORT OF THE REST CHRIST OFFERS. LET'S QUIT CARRYING OUR OWN LOADS AND LET HIM-HAUL!

LOOKING UP,
PASTOR CHUCK CIRCLE