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Now, remember that our Baptist state convention has identified the 250 places in our state where there are high percentages of unchurched, lost people who do not know Christ as Savior. We call these places "pockets of lostness."

Trent and his church are right in the middle of one of those areas, right in downtown Gastonia. They started off in a community building, but soon outgrew that and so they began meeting in the gym of a boys and girls club building.

This new church has begun drawing people from the surrounding neighborhood to services where Trent preaches strong messages setting forth Bible teachings.

Let's pray for Trent and the strong group of Baptist believers who are working with him to establish a strong, new church. He is our missionary and let's ask the Lord to bless his ministry.

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