

## **Testimony of Ralph & Brenda Ruckman**

### **A Miracle of Protection**

This testimony occurred on Christmas Eve 2023. Ralph and I attended the Christmas Eve service at Outreach Restoration Branch. After the service, we were heading home, I was driving, and it was pouring down rain. I was driving south on Noland Road and turned to go east on 39<sup>th</sup> Street. There was a car behind me on 39<sup>th</sup> Street that was practically riding my bumper, even though I was driving the speed limit. (It was still pouring down rain.) As I was almost to Phelp's Road, I got in the right-hand turn lane. I looked to see if the car behind me was turning also, but I was thankful they were going straight. As I looked ahead, I immediately saw a stalled car in the lane beside me at the green light going straight (at 39<sup>th</sup> and Phelps), with no car lights working. I knew that the car behind me was going to crash into them. I looked in my rear-view mirror again, and it looked like he had moved over like he was going to drive in between our car and the stalled car, but I knew there was absolutely no room. Suddenly, there were beams of colored lights (Ralph saw this, also) flashing past our driver's-side window. It seemed like this went on for a long time, but it was only two or three seconds. Then the car was in the intersection going down 39<sup>th</sup> Street. We had witnessed a miracle, and God saved us from death or injury. The van beside us was filled with people, and their lives were spared, also.

After going home, I started thinking that maybe there was room for the car to go between the two cars, because I had gotten over to the right far enough. I really believe Satan was trying to make me think it wasn't really a miracle. Two days later, I drove to that intersection and realized that there was no room for a car to drive between our car and the van. I don't even think a motorcycle could have driven between them. I immediately began praising and thanking God for His grace and mercy. God had really provided a miracle of protection.