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BRETT AND JENNY—BRINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

August 2023

Prayer Requests

Pray for Amy – she needs a kidney.
 Pray for the health of our people – winter is tough, and sickness abounds.
 Pray for Fiona Murray
 Pray for opportunities to share the gospel.
 Pray for Pablo for his work visa to be approved.
 Pray for Magelyn, she is waiting for a response on her visa application.
 Pray for the salvation of the children of our church.
 Pray for my mom – dealing with vertigo and other dizzy spells.
 Pray for Joel for salvation.

Greetings from Ashburton New Zealand!

As of July 23, Jenny and I have been in New Zealand for five months! We find it amazing that time has flown by as we have been very busy here with the activities of the ministry to which we have been called.

On July 9th, we held a vision Sunday at which time I shared my heart for Victory Baptist Church and the goals that we had to for the church. At the end of July, the church voted for us to be the pastor and pastor’s wife of Victory Baptist Church.

Our services on Sunday mornings have averaged between 50-55 people and around 25 on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. We have letterboxed and done door knocking in our area. The results, however, are staggeringly low. Specifically, folks here do not see a need to be in church, it is not a priority. We have a desire to start a bus ministry and there are some requirements we need to meet before we can do that. We have a church van that will seat 10 so that will be a good start if we can fill it up.

May & June finished up teaching 2 classes for the NZBBTP students. It was a blessing having them help with letterboxing, leading singing at the nursing homes and providing special music for our church services.

1 Thessalonians 5:24 "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it."

We have seen the Lord work in the lives of our people, and He has answered numerous prayers.

We have been able to have a couple of teen activities in our home. One was a mid-winter Christmas theme. The teens all dressed up for Christmas, we decorated a Christmas tree, played some Christmas games, and even had a gift exchange. We had a couple of teens bring their friends who were able to hear a gospel message surrounding the Christmas story of Jesus’ birth.

We also were able take the teens ice skating to an outdoor ice rink. Several of our teens have never ice skated before so it was a new experience for them. Again, several visitors attended this teen activity. We are always so excited when our teens invite their friends to come join in our church activities. Please pray that our teens will continue to reach out to their friends at school.

Brett’s discipleship continues to go well. Jenny was also able to start a discipleship with a young girl. Please pray for these young people to grow in their faith in the Lord.

Our Ladies Bible Study has recently started a study on prayer that coincides with our weekly Wednesday night Bible study on prayer. It has been such an encouragement to see the ladies get excited about prayer and sharing how God is answering prayers in their lives.

We have several prayer requests we would like to share and ask that you pray specifically for these. I have been teaching on prayer each Wednesday night and one of the points of prayer that I have covered numerous times, is that we should pray specifically. We are asking you to pray specifically with us that God would meet these needs.

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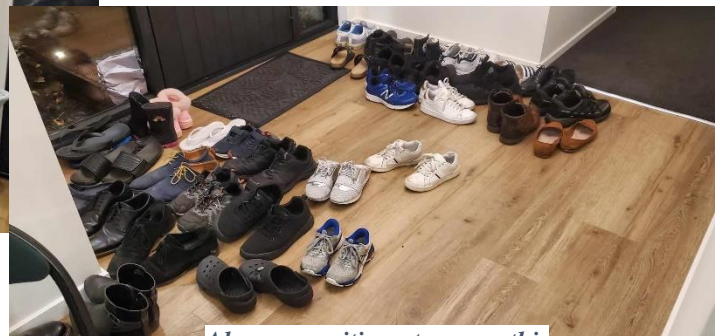
Evening Service in our home



NZBBTP Students Singing



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Always exciting to see this many shoes!

We thank God for each of you for your faithful prayers and support. May God richly bless you as you serve him. If you would be interested in planning a mission trip to Ashburton, please let us know as soon as possible. Our summer months here are a perfect time to get away from the cold wintery months in the US.

In Christ,
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