

HOFFINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

April 2022

Prayer Requests

Victory Baptist Church – Ashburton, New Zealand For open borders in New Zealand Pastor Larry Williams – liver cancer

Praises

100% promised support 88% of our Setup Funds Received

SETUP FUNDS LIST	
Plane Tickets	\$3,000
Quarantine	\$3,000
Household Furnishings	\$7,000
Vehicle	\$7,200
Shipping Crate	\$3,500
Upfront Rent/Deposit	\$1200
Total Needed	\$24,900
Total Received	\$21,930

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I want to take a moment first to say thank you to each of you for your faithful prayer and financial support of Jenny and I as we have travelled these 3 years on deputation. The prayers God has answered are innumerable. He has been - as He always is - good to us. There is a song that has the following words which tells of the faithfulness and the goodness of God.

"And all my life You have been faithful, And all my life You have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God."

The Beginnings

We started out on deputation on Sunday September 18, 2018, presenting to our sending church West Florida Baptist Church. We were privileged to use the church van for all our travels which was a major blessing to our family. When we began we had 68,000 miles on the van.

The Middle

God has a reason for everything He does and for everything He allows there is a purpose. Those purposes we do not always understand, but they are ALWAYS for our good whether we see the good in what is happening or not. Almost smack dab in the middle of deputation, a virus spread across the world at an alarming rate causing every country to react in ways heretofore never experienced.

Countries closed down including New Zealand – the very place we have been called to go and serve. America experienced shutdowns and many missionaries experienced meeting cancellations as well as difficulty scheduling them. Many lost loved ones to the virus which saddened our hearts. We pressed on as if nothing had changed and saw the Lord work wonders on our behalf. Much of our support came in during the height of the Covid pandemic, for which we praise God.

Near the End

As our full-time deputation travels neared the end, God in His infinite wisdom allowed us to both to experience Covid. As many of you know, I had a very mild case, but my sweet wife spent a week in the hospital and two and a half weeks on oxygen. The prayers and assistance we received from so many was overwhelming and gladdened our hearts in a time of uncertainty. We praise the Lord for how He has provided our every need.

We had a few meetings scattered out between January and the end of March and God provided a few more supporting churches for us.

Proverbs 21:1 The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: He turneth it whithersoever he will.

As we entered 2022 we were hoping and praying that New Zealand would open their borders to the world en masse but to date, that has not happened. We were not able to submit our Visa applications because New Zealand still has the border restrictions in place for anyone who is not currently a resident or who has a previously approved Visa.

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Sending Church

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Interesting Statistics

In the past three years, we traveled roughly 183,000 miles by van (not including the borrowed van in Alaska). We flew approximately 19,300 for a total miles travelled of 202,290. We were in 32 states and 287 churches. God put us exactly where He wanted us, in every church we were in. I am confident that our lives have been forever changed by the people we have met and become friends with. Not just the pastors, but the members of those churches as well as the many missionaries we have met along the way. We are grateful for all that God has allowed us to do, places we have been able to see, the people we have been privileged to meet and call friends.

Next Steps

I have been and will continue to prepare for ordination. A date has not yet been determined. Additionally, we will be plugged into our sending church in whatever ministry opportunities become available. We were able to teach and preach in Chapel a couple weeks ago which was a blessing to us.

Please pray that New Zealand will lift the border restrictions so that we can submit our visa applications within the next few weeks. As it stands, our ability to go will be delayed until October unless those restrictions are lifted.

I love Proverbs 21:1 because it teaches that God has control of the hearts of the kings, the world governments think they are in control, but it is God that has everything in His hand.

We are thankful for each of you who have contributed toward our **Startup Needs** list. As you can see from the graphic on the left, we have received about 88% so far. Would you prayerfully consider donating toward our needs list? **All funds go directly to BIMI and should include our Missionary ID #1603 and a MEMO stating Setup Funds**

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

Some of you have reached out to us via email or regular mail and we would love to hear from more of you. You have partnered with us, and we want to get to know you and know how we can pray for you. Our contact information is on the footer of this letter as well as on our website hoffmanstonewzealand.com

May God richly bless each of you.

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