



Hoffmans

BRETT AND JENNY—BRINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

March 2023

Prayer Requests

- * Victory Baptist Church in Ashburton
- * That we would find the right place to hold church services
- * That the Holy Spirit would prepare the way before us to share the Gospel
- * For souls to be saved in Ashburton
- * For new members to be added to the church
- * For our young people as they attend public school
- * Knowing what to preach each week
- * That we would find the right vehicle
- * That we will learn the New Zealand culture

Praises

WE'RE IN NEW ZEALAND!!!

Greetings!

The best news I can share with you is that as of February 22nd, Jenny and I arrived in New Zealand. After many delays starting with the closed borders because a cyclone which caused Auckland to shut down, flights being canceled, rescheduled, canceled and rescheduled again, we have arrived. We praise the Lord that He has brought us safely to the place He has called us to serve.

Soon after we arrived we were welcomed by our pastor Michael Grove and his wife Nancy and that night at the evening service at their home, many of the members of the church were in attendance and greeted us, happy to finally have us here. We saw many familiar faces and then found some new faces as well.

Our first Thursday here, we attended a funeral for a 96-year-old lady who was not only one of the founding members of, but also faithfully attended Victory Baptist Church here in Ashburton. She and her twin sister were residents at one of the local retirement homes.

On Sunday, February 26th, I was privileged to preach both the am and pm services and led the nursing home singalong. We had 2 visitors in the am and 2 in the pm service, one of whom was there that morning. We are glad to have visitors and look forward to following up with them to find out if they are saved and if not to hopefully be able to share the gospel with them. We don't want them to fall to the wayside and be snatched up by the world.

The past couple of weeks have been filled with other activities as Jenny and I were able to purchase many of the items we need for our house. Two weeks ago, a 9-year-old son of a family on the North Island passed away after a very short battle with cancer. Jenny and I drove about an hour north to Christchurch to pick up a couple of other families and then we drove about 2 hours south to Timaru (Tim-uh-roo) for the funeral and then back to Christchurch.

We have enjoyed spending time with our church family over the past three weeks this afternoon we are preparing for the church tonight. I will have many opportunities to preach throughout the month for which I am grateful. Please pray for wisdom as I will begin this week to prepare a new series on prayer and that the Lord will give me wisdom to know what to preach each week.

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Thank you all for your faithful prayers and financial support. We are excited to be here in New Zealand where the Lord has called us to serve. Please let us know how we can pray for you also. We are on Signal and WhatsApp – both are free to call/text internationally.

In Christ
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