



Hoffmans

BRETT AND JENNY—BRINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

May 2025

Prayer Requests

Salvation of our Sunday School age children

For our teens as they deal with peer pressure, to remain faithful to the Lord

For visitors to come as a result of our door knocking and letterboxing efforts

For the several discipleships we are engaged in to have an impact in the lives of the students.

For the Lord to provide property and or a building for us to have a permanent place to meet

That God would save five souls in 2025

For our bus ministry to begin in the next few months

Greetings from the Hoffmans in New Zealand!

We are so thankful for each of you who faithfully pray for us and support us financially. Your prayers and support are a blessing to us.

We have been back in New Zealand for about 6 weeks after our trip to the US to spend time with my brother before he graduated to glory. We are thankful for the time that we were able to spend with him and both our families before returning.

While we were in the states there were several pastors from around New Zealand who filled the gap for us and were a huge blessing to our church. Additionally, one of our young men trusted Christ as his Savior and is currently in a discipleship program. We have two young adults who are going through discipleship and one teen who is as well. We praise the Lord for the folks who have been saved in the past year and a half. Once they complete the discipleship program they will be baptised and voted in as members at Victory Baptist Church. Please pray with us that more souls will be added to the Lamb's Book of Life.

We also met with a young couple last week for a meal at our home and discussed church membership with them. I am amazed how God works in the hearts of people. They stated they had been praying about joining so the timing was perfect. This past Sunday they were voted in as members at Victory Baptist Church. Please pray for them and us as we seek to involve them in the ministry at Victory Baptist.

We are coming into fall now and the mountains are covered in snow. I remember the words of *Psalms 147:16* *"He giveth snow like wool: He scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes."* **The heavens truly do** *"...declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork."*

We have several door knocking outreaches planned in the coming weeks, and we would ask for you to pray for us as we go into the community to invite folks not only to come to church, but to see their need of a Saviour, Jesus Christ, and place

their trust in Him before it is eternally too late. God has called each of us to go. Matthew 22:1-14 tells of a king who commanded his servants to call the invited to his son's wedding. They refused, so the king commanded his servants to go into the highways. *"Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage."* ¹⁰ *So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests."* We must be faithful in this.

This past weekend, Brett and one of our young men travelled to Whangarei on the north island to observe the bus ministry outreach of pastor David Smith. We were able to go out on Saturday with pastor Smith and visit those children that ride the bus. Our eyes were opened to the fact that the children here and the children in the US are not that different regarding the kinds of homes they come from. It is heartbreaking to see them not have any idea about church or God, and to come from such broken homes. We desire to reach the children as well as adults here in Asburton and we hope to begin a small bus ministry here so that we can bring in the children, give them the gospel and see them trust Christ as their Saviour. Please pray for us as we work to begin this ministry in the next few months.

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On 10 May, Jenny hosted a ladies fellowship. She has been working diligently to prepare a wonderful time in God's Word to be an encouragement to them. The turnout of ladies who attended was encouraging.

We have been diligently seeking property for the church to purchase where we could build a church building. I have spoken to the owner of one location a few times and the price is right. It is a triangular piece on the corner of two fairly well traveled roads. The Ashburton Baptist School is on one side and much housing on the other. As folks come into town, from the farming communities, it would be the first major structure they would see if the Lord is willing for us to purchase this property. I am once again reminded of *Nehemiah 2:18* "Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, **Let us rise up and build.** So they strengthened their hands for this good work."

We desire to build a house of worship and would ask that you pray that God will provide the funds necessary for this project.

As we close this letter, we want to thank you all once again for your faithful prayers, and financial support. Several of our supporting churches have increased our support and that is truly a blessing to us.

May God continue to richly bless you for your faithful service to seek the lost around the world.

God bless you all.

In Christ,
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