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The Bankstons to New Zeala

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Our family was required to attend the week long Missions Retreat in Fayetteville, AR this past month. This turned out to be a true blessing from the Lord. We had the honor of being with missionaries that had been on the field for thirty plus years, to new missionaries just like us. The Lord really ministered to our needs and the needs of our children. We returned with renewed spirits and many new friends. Praise the Lord.

The last week of July we were back at our sending church, Midlothian Baptist, for Vacation Bible School. What a blessing to see eighty-six children eager to hear God's Word. Logan and Erin worked with the puppets, and Logan was also a crew leader. Guy taught Bible lessons, along with being David for a day, and Debbie ran the Power Point and VCR. We were privileged to see six young people accept Christ as their Savior. To God be the glory! The kids took up a collection for our family to help with deputation and it was a true blessing.

We wanted to say, "thank you and God Bless" to those churches that have decided to take us on for support. We are praying that God will bless those churches and look forward to co-laboring together. We are anxious to get to the field and know that God will provide.

Prayer Needs

- Souls to be saved
- Christians surrendering to God's call
- Meetings for support (If you have not had us in your church please call)
- Travel expenses
- Tickets for our family to get to the field of New Zealand (approx. \$5000)
- Children's home schooling (approx. \$2000)
- Mandatory Missionary Candidate School August 2002 (approx. \$600)
- Good health

Interesting Facts About New Zealand

- There are still active volcanoes in New Zealand
- Highest teenage pregnancy rate in the world
- The first to air a homosexual current events television program

Scheduled dates

- 8/8-24/02 Candidate School, Springfield, MO
- 8/11/02am Grace Baptist, St. Charles, MO
- 8/11/02pm South Side Baptist, Springfield, MO
- 8/14/02 W. Div. St. Baptist, Springfield, MO
- 8/18/02am Seminole Baptist, Springfield, MO
- 8/25/02am Faith Baptist, Round Lake Beach, IL
- 8/25/02pm Victory Baptist, Pleasant Valley, WI
- 9/1/02am Faith Baptist, Seneca, PA
- 9/1/02pm Bible Baptist Temple, Franklin, PA
- 9/8/02pm Central Baptist, Portsmouth, VA
- 9/11-15/02 Choice Baptist, Fredericksburg, VA
- 9/18-22/02 Battlefield Baptist, Gainesville, VA •
- 9/23-25/02 BBFI Fellowship, Washington DC
- 10/5-6/02 Cross Timbers Baptist, Klamath Falls, OR
- 10/9/02 Bible Baptist, Longview, WA
- 10/13/02am Sun River Community, Sun River, OR
- 10/16/02 Evergreen Baptist, Snohomish, WA
- 10/20/02pm Bible Baptist, Everett, WA
- 11/3/02am Bible Baptist Church, Fort Mill, SC
- 11/3/02pm Grace Baptist Church, Thomasville, NC
- 11/6-10/02 Shiloh Hills Baptist, Kennesaw, GA
- 11/11-13/02 New Testament Baptist, Monroe, NC



- 11/17/02am Lamplight Baptist, Roanoke, VA
- 11/17/02pm Freedom Baptist, Harrisburg, VA
- 11/24/02am/pm Fellowship Baptist, Charlotte, NC
- 12/4/02 Bible Baptist, Durham, NC
- 12/14-15/02 Page Valley, Luray, VA
- 1/1/03 Calvary Baptist, Bedford, VA
- 1/12/03am Holly Hills Baptist, Powhatan, VA
- 1/12/03pm Calvary Baptist, Midlothian, VA
- 1/19/03pm Southside Baptist, Knoxville, TN
- 2/5-9/03 Capital City Baptist, Columbia, NC
- 2/9/03pm Bible Baptist, Lexington, SC
- 2/12-16/03 Community Baptist, Chantilly, VA
- 2/23/03pm Heritage Baptist, Ashburn, VA
- 2/26-3/2/03 Mid-Way Baptist, Raleigh, NC
- 3/9/03 Victory Baptist, Staunton, VA
- 3/12-16/03 Neuse Baptist, Raleigh, NC
- 3/16/03pm Midlothian Baptist, Midlothian, VA
- 3/23-26/03 First Carolina Baptist, Columbia, SC
- 4/13/03 Gospel Baptist, Salem, VA
- 4/26-27/03am Layton Chapel Baptist, Spring Lake, NC
- 4/27/03pm West Favetteville Baptist, Favetteville, NC
- 9/28/03 Albemarle Baptist, Charlottesville, VA