

#### Guy~Logan~Debbie~Erin

# The Bankstons to New Zealand

## April 2003

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#### <u>News & Praise</u>

Two children received Christ as their personal Savior during mission conferences this past month. One got saved shortly after our children (Logan & Erin), did their puppet skits. Three families surrendered to God's calling to full-time service.

Our support level has increased to 61% with an additional 13% promised. Just another 14% needed to meet our goal before departing June 2<sup>nd</sup>. We want to praise the Lord for allowing us to co-labor with several new churches this past month, God bless you. Time is running out and we need your support. If you are not presently supporting us, please pray that we can co-labor with you. Support needs to reach the above address (BBFI) before April 24<sup>th</sup>, in order for it to show up on our monthly report.

Our Visa paperwork was returned to us with a few discrepancies that we need to take care of before we can resubmit them. Please be in prayer that they go through this time.

Several have sent us money for our needs listed below, thank you. We still need to raise additional funds for our household needs, and a vehicle in New Zealand. We are going to be selling our Chevy Conversion Van in May. If you are interested in buying our van and can come get it, please contact Pastor Ken Cornett at 804-379-9500 (Midlothian, VA).

If we have not reached 100% support before completing our first  $1\frac{1}{2}$  years in Wellington, NZ, we will need to schedule appointments in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2004 & 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2005. We are sorry that we are not able to take any new appointments now, as we are having trouble finding time to get everything done before we leave for New Zealand. We have to be out of our home by April 26<sup>th</sup>, as it just recently rented. We also need to get things ready for shipping, and we all know how much time is wrapped up in this task.

You are all such a blessing to us and please keep praying that our support will come in. We are praying God's blessings on you all.

#### **Prayer**

- That God will use us to win souls through Christ
- Those called, to surrender to full-time service
- That our van will sell the end of May

### Needs

- 75%-100% support by June 2003
- Household goods: Cost \$4500 received \$1500

#### **Schedule of Appointments**

- 4/2pm Faith Baptist, Prince George, VA
- 4/6-8 Lighthouse Baptist, Astabula, OH
- 4/6pm Trinity Baptist, Ashland OH
- 4/9pm Tygart Valley Baptist, Beverly, WV
- 4/13am/pm Gospel Baptist, Salem, VA
- 4/16pm Central Baptist, Dunn, NC
- 4/26-27 Layton Chapel Baptist, Spring Lake, NC
- 4/27pm West Fayetteville Baptist, Fayetteville, NC
- 4/30pm Grace Baptist, Gaston, NC
- 5/4am Victory Independent Baptist, Roanoke, VA

- Our household goods packed and stored
- That our Visas will be approved
- Vehicle in NZ approx. \$5000 received \$500
- 5/4pm New Hope Baptist, Roanoke, VA
- 5/11am Blue Ridge Baptist, Amherst, VA
- 5/11pm Midlothian Baptist, Midlothian, VA
- 5/14pm Battlefield Baptist, Gainesville, VA
- 5/18am Westside Baptist, Mansfield, OH
- 5/18pm Calvary Baptist, Ashland, OH
- 5/20pm Jettersville Baptist, Jettersville, VA
- 6/1am/pm Tri-Cities Baptist, Gladstone, OR
- 6/2/03 Departure for New Zealand