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# The Bankstons to New Zealand

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#### **Praises**

We want to thank you all for the many blessings you sent our way for Christmas; the cards and love offerings overwhelmed us. We thank God daily for our extended Christian Family, which you are all a part of.

What a blessing God has given us in starting off the New Year with a young girl receiving Christ as her personal Savior. This is another soul credited to your account. We have also seen the Lord dealing with many people about surrendering to full-time service. What a wonderful feeling to be a part of God's glorious plan.

We have only eight openings left in our schedule until we plan to leave for New Zealand in May. If anyone knows of a church that is interested in supporting a missionary to New Zealand, please look at the below openings and let us know.

We presently have 49% of our support and know that God will provide the additional 26% needed before we leave. Many new churches have recently taken us on as their missionary, thank you! We are praying that God will bless you all and are anxiously awaiting the day that you all may be able to take us on and help us reach the people of New Zealand.

Our Visa paper work is almost complete. We are still waiting for Erin's (our daughter) birth certificate to arrive from California. Once we get it, we can send for her passport. This is the only thing that is standing in our way, in order to send in the Visa paperwork. We are praying that we will get it soon, as time is quickly passing by.

Please continue to pray for us while we travel up and down the East Coast the next few months. We have put a lot of miles on our van this past year, and will be putting a lot more on this year. The van has been a true blessing from the Lord!

#### **Prayer**

- That God will use us to win souls for Christ, while on deputation
- That those whom God calls to full-time service will surrender
- That we will be able to get our home rented before leaving for New Zealand
- Time to get our household goods packed and stored
- That we will be New Zealand bound by the end of May
- That we will receive Erin's birth certificate and our Visas will be approved before we leave

### Needs

- 75%-100% support by May 2003
- Home School cost \$3000 received \$1300
- Synthia approx. cost \$1000 received \$300

## **Scheduled/Open Dates**

- 2/2/03am Calvary Baptist, Smithfield, VA
- 2/2/03pm Gill Grove Baptist, Chesterfield, VA
- 2/5-9/03am Capital City Baptist, Columbia, SC
- 2/9/03pm Bible Baptist, Lexington, SC
- 2/12-16/03 Community Baptist, Chantilly, VA
- 2/19/03 Buford Roads Baptist, Richmond, VA
- 2/23/03am OPEN
- 2/23/03pm Heritage Baptist, Ashburn, VA
- 2/26/03-3/2/03 Mid-Way Baptist, Raleigh, NC
- 3/5/03 Heritage Baptist, Zebulon, NC
- 3/9/03am OPEN
- 3/9/03pm Victory Baptist, Staunton, VA
- 3/12-16/03am Neuse Baptist, Raleigh, NC
- 3/16/03pm Midlothian Baptist, Midlothian, VA
- 3/19-23/03 Palmetto Ave. Baptist, Sanford, FL
- 3/23/03pm Liberty Baptist, Tavares, FL
- 3/26/03 Eastland Baptist, Orlando, FL
- 3/30-31/03 First Carolina Baptist, Columbia, SC

- Tickets approx. cost \$5600 received \$3000
- Shipping approx. cost \$4000 received \$3200
- Vehicle in NZ approx. \$5000 received \$0
- 4/2/03 Faith Baptist, Prince George, VA
- 4/6/03am Calvary Baptist, Ashland, OH
- 4/6/03pm Trinity Baptist, Ashland OH
- 4/9/03 Tygart Valley Baptist, Beverly, WV
- 4/13/03am/pm Gospel Baptist, Salem, VA
- 4/16/03 Central Baptist, Dunn, NC
- 4/20/03am (Easter) OPEN
- 4/20/03pm (Easter) OPEN
- 4/23/03 OPEN
- 4/26-27/03am Layton Chapel Baptist, Spring Lake, NC
- 4/27/03pm West Fayetteville Baptist, Fayetteville, NC
- 4/30/03 Grace Baptist, Gaston, NC
- 5/4/03am Victory Independent Baptist, Roanoke, VA
- 5/4/03pm New Hope Baptist, Roanoke, VA
- 5/7/03 OPEN
- 5/11/03pm OPEN
- 5/14/03 OPEN
- 9/28/03 Albemarle Baptist, Charlottesville, VA