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Baptisms (Cameron, Malachi & Tania)



Children's Bell Special (Easter)



Logan & Brittany's Commissioning Service



Praises

- 4 joined the church ● 1 salvation
- 3 baptisms ● Logan & Brittany leaving for deputation ● 4 kids to be baptized in May

Prayers

- Souls to be saved ● Physical and Spiritual Church growth ● Cody's Internship ● NZBBTP Van ● NZBBTP Programme

In the beginning of March, the New Zealand Baptist Bible Training Program (NZBBTP) students returned for their class on Public Speaking and Computer Applications and Essentials. They were with us for one week and during that time they helped with the ministry at church and used their skills in Public Speaking by giving their testimonies to the children at our Friday night Kid's Club.



One Sunday in March we had a young Samoan gentleman come to our services. He had been listening to some preaching over the internet and knew that what his Samoan church was teaching was not right. After attending three services, Logan was blessed to lead him to the Lord. In April he was baptized, and Guy has been discipling him every week. To God be the glory!

Another young family of five started attending our church before we left on furlough last year. After we got back, we met and talked to them about their salvation. The parents were saved a few years ago but had not been baptized. They were then baptized and joined the church. The same Sunday they joined we had two other ladies also come forward to join the church. They have been faithfully attending and have started serving as well. Guy is also taking this family of five through discipleship classes.

Our children's program is doing very well. We had them practicing hand bells for a couple months and the Sunday before Easter they did a special for the church as well as sang a hymn. Many of these children's parents don't attend church, but they were all there for this service and a few of them stayed for our church luncheon. Several of these children have come to receive Christ as their Lord and savior over the past few years. Their lives have changed, and we are praying that their families will see this and be drawn to Jesus. We are excited that 4 of the kids will be getting baptized in May. Our Intern Cody and his wife Nicole have been overseeing these ministries along with Debbie and 4 others. We have been using two vans to pickup the children, one of which needs to make two trips. What a blessing to have such a problem as this. Of course, the 12-seater van we have been looking for will help greatly with transportation.

In April Brittany taught a course covering "Music Theory and Congregational Song Leading" to the NZBBTP students. Logan held their last College & Career, Young Adults and Young Marrieds devotion and activity before He and Brittany packed their bags and return to America. They have surrendered their lives to be full time missionaries to New Zealand. They have been faithfully working as interns with us for 5 years and Logan has been the Assistant Pastor for nearly two years. They have been a huge part of Harvest Baptist Church and we are sad to see them leave on May 2nd to start their deputation. If you would like to have them in your church, to present their work and burden, you may contact Logan at logan.bankston@gmail.com or cellphone 352-232-1066.

Thank you so much for your continual prayers and support of these ministries. May God richly bless you for your faithfulness. God bless, your Missionaries in New Zealand: Guy & Debbie Bankston