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## Sending Church

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Dear Fellow Laborers in the Gospel,

As you may know, we recently moved across the province to St. John's. For the last two months, we have been busy unpacking, settling in, and getting involved in the ministries of this church. Last weekend, our church was able to put a float in the local Christmas parade. The theme of our float was "Jesus is the Greatest Gift." About 12 people walked alongside the float and handed out candy canes and Christmas Gospel tracts. We praise God that we were able to distribute around 2500 tracts. Please pray that the folks that received tracts would read them, visit our church, and that some would trust Christ as their Savior.

We are excited about the opportunities for ministry God has given us in St. John's. We are involved in many avenues of ministry here. We are working with the teens and teaching them the basics of God's Word. Please pray for several young people who come to church faithfully, but still have not trusted Christ as their Savior. Beginning in January, Christy will have a weekly outreach to young mothers with a moms and tots playgroup we are starting at the church. Lord willing, it will be a great way to build some relationships with young families in this community. Also in January, we will be starting a weekly Bible study at a local university. Memorial University has close to 20,000 students, including a good number of foreign exchange students. Please pray for these ministries that they would be effective as we try to reach out to these young people and families.

In October, I met Mr. B. He is very knowledgeable about the Bible, but he thinks that what he does or doesn't do will get him to Heaven. I have been able to sit down with him several times now and go through the Gospel briefly. Last month, he also attended an outreach dinner and heard a Gospel message. Please pray for wisdom as I try to build a relationship with him, and that he would trust Christ by faith for salvation.

Last month we had to go to Nova Scotia and visit the US Consulate. We were able to get some of our passports renewed and register Ezra as a US citizen. Thankfully, there were no issues, and we just received our updated documents last week. Now we will be able to work on our visa updates. Lord willing, we will be able to start working on our permanent residency sometime towards the end of next year. Please continue to pray for this whole process that it would go smoothly.

As we see all the Christmas decorations and lights during this festive season, I am once again reminded about the true reason for Christmas. If we leave the baby in the manger, and don't see the Savior on the cross, then we miss the true meaning of Christmas! Christmas is God giving His Son to the world and His Son giving Himself for our sins! We trust that God will bless each of you as you celebrate the birth of Christ in a few weeks!

In case you did not receive our new mailing address, I included it again. 20 Hopedale Crescent St. John's, NL A1B 0B4 Canada

For the Gospel and His glory, Nate, Christy, Vera, Emma, and Ezra Minion "To preach the Gospel in the Regions Beyond" 2 Corinthians 10:16

...Alight that shineth in a dark place... 2 Peter 1:19