

the **MINION** family

NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

Dear Fellow Laborers in the Gospel,

Spring 2023

We want to praise the Lord for His goodness in our ministry. The last few months have been difficult with bad winter weather, short daylight hours, and some ministry challenges. But we praise the Lord for how He is working in different ways. We had good services on Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday. There were visiting guests in both services who clearly heard the Gospel.

The brother of one of our church members was moving here last fall, and his vehicle broke down. I drove several hours to pick him up and bring him back here. We had a good conversation about salvation and spiritual things that day, and I invited him to church. I was disappointed when I did not see him again for a few months. It was a great blessing when he began attending some services recently, and we trust that God will work in his heart. Ministry often is a difficult work of investing in people's lives even when we do not see visible results.

We have seen some spiritual growth in some of our regular folks. Three people have joined the membership of our church in the past month! They are the first new members in many years, and it is exciting to see the church welcoming them and growing! Lord willing, next Sunday, we will be baptizing our two older daughters, Vera and Emma. A woman who has been attending also wants to be baptized, but she is not quite ready yet. We look forward to baptizing her soon.

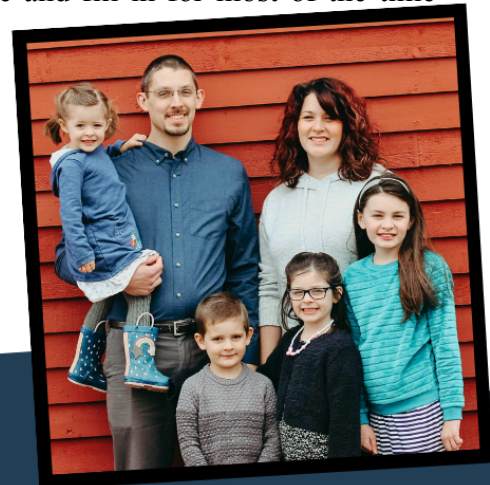
In February, we held a friendship dinner outreach and invited many people who are not part of our church. Only a few guests came, but we were able to befriend another new family. The mom brings one daughter to our kids programs regularly, and she stays and listens to the Bible lessons with her daughter. Please pray for this family to trust Christ. Their names are Peter, Elizabeth, Nadia, and Elise.

We are looking forward to our upcoming furlough beginning on April 18th. We will spend 2 weeks with family, and then we have a full schedule of visiting many supporting churches until the end of July. We look forward to seeing many of you and telling you of what God has done here in Newfoundland. Unfortunately, we will not be able to visit all of our partner churches on this furlough. It is difficult to get someone to come and fill in at our ministry here for just a few months, much less long enough to take a full furlough. Lord willing, we are planning to take another short furlough in about two years to visit the churches that we cannot visit this year.

Please pray that we would be a blessing to the churches we visit, and that God would use us to challenge more people about the need for missionaries around the world. Please especially pray for safety and for our vehicle to work well as we will be traveling many miles. We have to drive 36 hours and take a 8 hour ferry ride just to get to our sending church in Virginia. Please pray also for our church here to remain strong during our absence. God provided an evangelist and a retired pastor who are both from Ontario, to come and fill in for most of the time while we are on furlough.

We look forward to seeing many of you in the next few months. Thank you all for your faithful partnership and prayers as we do God's work here in Newfoundland. We now have a new email address, so please remove any old emails you have, and update it to this new one: nate@theminionfamily.com.

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



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