

the **MINION** family

NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

Dear Fellow Laborers in the Gospel,

Winter 2025

As we begin a new year, we are ever grateful for your prayers and your partnership with us in God's work. We thank each of you who sent Christmas cards, emails, and Christmas gifts for our family. We appreciate your love and care for us so very much!

One answered prayer I want to share with you is that we received a good report on our youngest daughter Reya's kidney issue. The issue is still there, but the most recent test showed a large improvement in her kidney functioning normally. They will check on it again in about 6 months. The hope is that it will function normally for at least a few years, and when she is older, they can more easily do a small surgical procedure. We appreciate all of you who have reached out for updates and to let us know that you were praying for her!

We had a good Christmas season. We put a Christmas float in our town's parade again this year. Several of our church folks helped us walk the parade route, and we were able to distribute about 1100 treat bags with Christmas Gospel tracts and church information in them. They were well received.

At our Christmas program, the kids from our kids ministries narrated the events of the Christmas story. We had a great turnout with several new visitors attending to see their grandkids in the program. After a short Gospel presentation, a young person raised her hand for salvation. She has had questions about salvation before, and we pray that she will understand the Gospel soon and trust Christ. We had a blessed time at our Christmas Eve service as well.

Last week, we added a teen group to our kids ministries. We have tried to do this in the past, but it has not been very successful because of a lack of teens in our church and the difficulty of getting teens from outside our church to come. But now some of the kids from our kids ministries have gotten old enough, and some of their friends from school are coming as well. We had a good beginning to it last week with 8 young people, and we know of two others who are planning to come as well. This makes our younger kids ministry a bit smaller, but we are thankful that we can expand our outreach in this area to reach more young people. I think that several of them do not know Christ yet, so please pray for these young people for salvation and spiritual growth.

A family recently moved here from India and began attending our church. We were able to help them move into a more permanent housing situation a few weeks ago. Their teenage son is excited about being part of our teen group. We are thankful too for a young lady who just joined our church last Sunday. We pray that in this year, we will have a greater impact on our community of Carbonear and the surrounding areas. We look forward to the ministry opportunities that God has for us this year, and we trust that God will enable us to reach new people with the Gospel. Please pray in that regard.

On the home front, Christy continues to homeschool the kids. Vera is in grade 6, and is taking piano and ukulele lessons. Emma is in grade 4 and is taking piano lessons as well. Ezra is doing well in grade 2 and is always full of energy! Cara is 4 and is learning a bit from watching her older siblings do their school. Reya will be a year old in March. She is starting to stand a lot on her own and will soon be walking. She is full of life and loves to play.

Thank you again for the part you have in our ministry thru your prayers and partnership with us. We are privileged to serve the Lord here in Newfoundland with your help. May God bless you as you serve Him!

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



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Christmas program

Parade float



Christmas Eve service