

Dear Pastors, Church members, and Friends,

January 22, 2025

What a year 2024 was for all of us! I thank God that He is on His throne, and He touches our lives every day! We went for a while without rain in the fall, even to the point of rationing water in New York City. We prayed for God to give rain, and it began to rain late in October. God is faithful to provide and give fruitful ministry as we continue to pray for His working hand!



Praise the Lord for continuing to work in our church here in Jamaica, Queens. We have seen some new individuals coming continuing from the Summer. Pray with us for Soma, that her husband Terry would be saved. Cedric has been coming and attended a men's meeting in November. He recently brought his friend Ayana to church with him. Avi and Nandita are from Guyana. Both had trusted Christ while there, and he and his wife have been a real help in many ways; being willing to take people home after church to helping with some painting. Elsa is Filipino, who has been attending, and Tanisha, and her baby boy Aamir. Tanisha raised her hand in a service for salvation, and Stephanie, our daughter led her to the Lord a week later. God has burdened my heart to earnestly pray since summer to specifically build His church. He has been working and leading these new folks to come to be in our church. I do believe to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!



Our trip to England to see our oldest son's family was quite an experience! They live in the county of Cornwall; not far outside the town of Saltash. You would think England must be very similar to America, but it is culturally different in many ways. Shane and his wife Jericho are adjusting very well and the children also. God is using them in two different existing churches. They will serve with them for several years before they start a church on their own. We went with them to attend services at both churches. I truly enjoyed preaching at both Liscard Baptist Church and Lighthouse Baptist Church, both being in Plymouth. Getting to meet the people and fellowship with the pastors was such a blessing. The highlights of the trip for me were letterboxing, putting John and Romans



packets at the houses, touring through two different castles, and most of all seeing our family there.

On October 27 we celebrated our 25th Anniversary of Gospel Light Baptist Church. We invited Pastor Brian and Cheri Stensaas to be with us on this very special day. Pastor Stensaas preached for us in each service which we thoroughly enjoyed. I was called to preach under Pastor Stensaas and Julie was led to the Lord by Cheri. We have a lot of wonderful history with them, and they have helped us grow so much in the Lord!



We are very grateful for our supporting churches. It is expensive to live anywhere in the US these days, with inflation where things have not just gone up in price but doubled in price. The Lord has been so consistent to help us make ends meet. We were able to present our work to a church in Maryland the first

Sunday in December. We are trying to go to a few new churches to raise additional support. Thank you again to all that have prayed for us and given financially for us. We truly value your sacrifice and faithfulness!



We have had some changes in our church. Justin and Stephanie, our son-in-law and daughter, have moved their family to New Jersey, near Atlantic City. They are going to help a church there in preparation to plant a new church inside of Atlantic City. We are excited for them and praying for God to bless them and lead them in this needful endeavor. Church planting is in our hearts, and we praise God that they can be used of Him. Folks are stepping up at GLBC to lead singing, play guitar, teach Sunday School classes, and working with the audio-visual system. God does truly build His church in many ways to minister to the lost to be saved and to communicate the truth of God's Word to edify believers! Thank each of you for remembering us in prayer that God would be glorified in our ministry here! We also want to thank each church that gave Christmas gifts to us and also for birthday cards! Let's enjoy our Lord and serve Him with all our hearts in 2025!

In Christ,

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