

Dear praying friends,



Trinity Baptist,
Texas City, TX

This month's letter comes to you from the Finger Lakes Region of New York state. We are busy continuing down the deputation trail. The Lord gave us a great summer after our return from New Zealand. Here are some of the highlights from those meetings.

On the Road Again

We returned to the States and "hit the ground runnin' " as they say in the south. Between June 26th and August 31st we were in **fifth-teen churches, across eight different states**. We travelled nearly **8,000 miles** during this time. We are thankful for God's protection as we travel.

VBS First Baptist, Wayland, MO

Undoubtedly, the highlight of our meetings this summer was **VBS at First Baptist, Wayland, MO**. The theme for that week was sheep. David brought some of the messages for the week. He also played the role of "Sillie" the shepherd in the skit that week. The kids had a great time. We enjoyed reconnecting with several of our friends from Ambassador Baptist College as well. God greatly blessed the meeting.

Fourteen children made professions of faith during the week and one received assurance of salvation. Praise the Lord!

We've been sharing several new things at our table from New Zealand. Our pet kiwi, "Pokey," has definitely been the most popular addition to our display.

New DVD

We have been working the past month on updating our presentation with new pictures and information from our trip this summer. It will be available on our website soon.

Victory Baptist, Ashburton brochure

Pastor Mike Grove in Ashburton told us the church has begun using the brochure David designed for them to use letter boxing. It is a blessing to know our ministry there continues despite our departure. Please continue to pray for this church family.

School

The middle of August, **Elizabeth, Abigail and Andrew returned to school**. Andrew began a new class in our local elementary school specifically for autistic children.

Despite our busy summer, Andrew continues to improve his speech and motor skills. We are eager to see how this new class will help him progress even further. Elizabeth and Abigail started first grade in our church's Christian school. Despite our busy deputation schedule, this still seems to be the best option for us at this time. Amy and the children will be traveling a lighter schedule through the fall. While David continues to travel full time. **Please pray with us as we seek to do God's will, God's way.**

Maryann

Maryann celebrated her second birthday September first. It is hard to believe our youngest is two years old! She had a very good birthday complete with cake, ice cream, grandparents, a balloon and presents. What more could a girl want? Maryann has been referred to a dermatologist for a persistent skin rash she's had this summer. **Please pray they will be able to treat it and resolve the issue.**

Finishing Strong

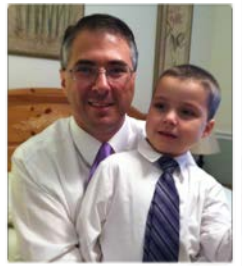
We are into the last half of our itinerary for this year. We have over **twenty meetings, including nine mission conferences, in seven different states** the remainder of this year. This has been an incredible year for us. God has been so good. **Please pray we finish strong** as we continue on the deputation trail. We are excited to see what God has in store for next year. Psalm 40 says, "Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works . . . and thy thoughts which are to us-ward . . . Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire . . . burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required. Then said I . . . I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart." Thank you for joining us on this journey. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support. Together, we can reach Kiwis for Christ!



Van loaded with two car carriers on top.



Our pet kiwi puppet, "pokey"



David and Andrew at Grace Baptist, Oxford, PA.



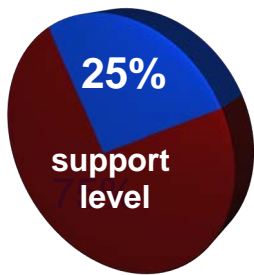
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Andrew with Dan Fox, assistant pastor, First Baptist, Wayland, MO



David dressed as "Sillie" the Shepherd



Maryann turned two!



David Smith

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