



# The Bankston Family to New Zealand

## Praises

- Visitors (10)
- Church Growth
- God blessed 2023 and we look forward to 2024

## Prayer Requests

- Souls to be Saved
- Citizenship approval for Brittany
- Teen Activity in February
- Large children/teen rally planned for June.

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Greetings,

These last several months have been quite a whirlwind. We are so very thankful for all that God has been doing in the church. We have seen 10 first time visitors with 6 of them being the first time they had ever been to church. PRAISE GOD for visitors! Please pray that they continue to come back and accept Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

## A Few Events

Over the last few months, we have had two big events that our church has been apart of. The first was Men's Prayer Advance. This is about a 9 hour drive from us without stopping. Jerry Judd and I ended up taking a plane up and back which allowed them both to be refreshed and ready to go on Sunday. The Prayer Advance was a wonderful time around the preaching of the Word of God and around fellowship with fellow believers. There was around 60+ men in attendance with several men that had only been saved a few months but were completely on fire for God. It was such an encouragement to my heart to be able to see men on fire!

The second event was Heritage Camp right after Christmas. Several churches of like faith, from all around New Zealand, come together at one place to hear good preaching and to sing hymns to the Lord. The best part of the singing is when the piano cuts out and all the voices blend together in harmony...amen! Both Brittany and I were able to help in the music portion of one of the Services, with myself song leading and Brittany playing the piano. I was also able to speak for a few minutes and give my testimony to the entire camp. We had over 120 people in attendance at camp.

## Mini Furlough

From February 22nd to April 9th, Logan will embark on a brief visit to the USA. The challenges posed by the heightened cost of living in New Zealand, coupled with the circumstance of some individual supporters no longer being able to contribute financially, have significantly impacted our situation. After extensive prayer, and seeking counsel, Logan has decided to return and engage with as many churches as possible to secure additional support. Fortunately, God has already shown His blessings, and the schedule is rapidly filling up. However, there are still several available slots. If you are aware of any churches seeking to support a missionary family, we kindly request that you share their information with us. Please send your recommendations via email to [logan.bankston@gmail.com](mailto:logan.bankston@gmail.com). Your assistance in connecting us with potential supporters is greatly appreciated.

## The Future is Bright

We are extremely excited for this year and praying that God's hand of blessing is upon it. We sat down at the end of 2023 and part of this month to plan out this whole year. We have church activities, teen activities, children's activities and much more planned for this year. We are praying that God grows Harvest Baptist Church of Masterton New Zealand. We are praying for souls to be saved this year. Even if just one soul is saved my heart will rejoice!

**Thank you for continuing to support our family through your faithful prayers and giving.**

**Logan, Brittany, Ella, Emma, Hunter, and Fisher Bankston**

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Hunter matched one of our church members on a Wednesday night.



Heritage Camp December 2023



Ella, Emma, and Hunter playing with our neighbor's son. Please pray we can be a witness to him and his family. Would love to see them come to church, but most of all to accept Jesus as their Savior!



Sunday morning services