

THE SANTOSO FAMILY

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Praise reports...

- Salvations: Margaret and Nicolas.
- Completion of fit-out works for our new church's space at the Three Kings Plaza.
- Financial supports for our building project from seven of our supporting churches.

Prayer requests...

- City Council's approval for Code of Compliance Certificate.
- Funding for off-road church signs (USD\$3,500).
- God to raise up more godly leaders in our Church.
- Some men and women in our church to surrender into full-time ministry.
- 45 more souls to come to know Christ in 2024.
- Salvation: Chris Bui (the builder), Savaii, Conner, Gary, Yuuki, Mark, Zion, Esther, Matthew, Sione, Timur.
- God's strength and wisdom to endure.

Family corner...

Adeline is nearing the end of her final year of high school. She has been given a part time job and we are praying for her as she decides her future. Please pray for Amy and I to guide her.

Anna is finishing her final year of her undergraduate study at university pursuing her art degree. Pray for her as she decides her future whether to continue her education or get into the work force.

Abby has had a great but challenging year with her teaching. She has recovered well with her knee injury from 11 months ago and she is stronger now. We praise God for revealing Himself to her this year.

Amy and I are taking one day at a time with ministry and family. Pray for us to lead our family well and impact our church for His glory.

Greetings from New Zealand.

First and most of all, we want to give God all the praise and glory for what He has done for us in the last three months. We praise God for Nicolas and Margret, who desired to place their faith and trust in Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and God! Nicolas is one of our daughter's friends who had been attending our church's Bible study and worship services. He was very attentive and interested in hearing the truth from the Word of God. On the last Sunday of July, as we ended the message series on the book of Ephesians, he desired to know Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and God. Praise the Lord! Margret is a 93-year-old Scottish lady who has been attending our worship services with Fiona, a Christian lady from South Africa. Through her faithful discipleship, Margret received Christ as her personal Saviour and God in the middle of August. Let us continue to pray for 45 more souls to be saved this year.

Secondly, we praise God for His miraculous provision for our church's building project at Three Kings Plaza. From the city council building consent application to the demolition and renovation work, it took us two and a half months.

Despite a few challenges, God's hand was evident in every step, working all things together for His glory. We spent much time praying for God's continual provision for this project, and He is answering our prayers! We received a total of

USD\$51,746.71 from seven of our supporting churches. Praise the Lord! God truly works in a very mysterious way: One of the men in our church, who had just lost his job, was hired by a construction company to be their project manager at the same time when we needed a project manager and a construction company to do our building project. He and his company then became the contractors for our church building project. The builder, a Vietnamese man who was not a Christian, gave us a big discount for the project, bringing the renovation work to about USD\$18,000 less than what was budgeted. Praise the Lord! We are continually in awe to see the glory of God through our ministries at International Baptist Church Central in Auckland, New Zealand.



Speaking of ministry, Amy and I received a Certificate of Recognition from the Baptist Bible Fellowship International for our twenty years of ministry as missionaries in New Zealand. We praise God for enabling us to do His works in New Zealand through many prayers and support from churches in America. We are deeply grateful for your love, prayers, and financial support. Your partnership has been a source of strength and encouragement for us. We cannot do what God called us to do without your love and faithfulness for us and our ministries. God truly works in a very mysterious way. God knew that Amy and I did not have much experience in church planting, but we knew that God built His church. One of my favourite quotes from Hudson Taylor is, "God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supply." We can all testify to this truth: "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). We sincerely thank you for your love, prayers, and support for our family and ministry.

International Baptist Church Central

New Facility at the Three Kings Plaza, Auckland, New Zealand



Main Entrance inside the Plaza



Main Hall/Auditorium



Children Classroom #1



Children Classroom #2



Youth Classroom



Nursery Room



Kitchen



Sound/Media Room



Restrooms



Pastor's Study Room