

# BOSTON



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Thank you for your words of encouragement and generosity to me and my family as we continue this journey of teaching the gospel in Boston. We appreciate your prayers on our behalf.

## **Christians in Boston**

This past month was a busy month for our church family. On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the church presented our Lecture Series. The Lectures are an outreach tool that the congregation has used for several years to reach out to the community. Typically, the Lectures are held twice a year in a public place, such as the Boston Public Library. The topic of the Lectures is always God-centered and Bible-based, but it is also geared towards a non-Christian visitor. The church works hard to advertise to the surrounding community by handing out invitations, as well as using transit and newspaper ads. These Lectures have been successful in sharing the gospel message with many in the area.

Unfortunately, this year, we could not find a place to host the event. Therefore, we held the Lectures in our homes and changed the primary purpose from reaching out to the community to encouraging our church family. We invited Brother Tim Bunting from the West Harlem Church to teach the Lectures. Tim did an



**Friday evening study at Dan & Sonia's apartment.**



**Saturday Lectures**

excellent job of teaching and encouraging us to love the Lord our God with all of our heart, our soul, and our might – The Greatest Command. Tim was a trooper! He presented 1 lesson on Friday night and 5 lessons on Saturday. That is 6 lessons in less than 24 hours! It was also an encouragement to me to get to know Tim and hear about his work with the bilingual church in West Harlem. I am thankful for those brethren and their work for the Lord.

We also spent time this month working to get to know our church family. One Sunday afternoon, we were able to invite the congregation into our home for lunch. Later in the month, one of our single women invited our family (of six!) over for dinner at her apartment. It has been a blessing to begin getting to know all of our members.

### **Evangelism**

The Lord has blessed me with an opportunity to begin a weekly Bible study with Anthony this past month. Anthony is the father of one of our former members, Giovanna, who recently moved from Boston. She was here visiting for the weekend and brought her father to worship services. Later, I reached out to Anthony about reading the Bible together, and he politely accepted the offer. Anthony feels very strongly about his Catholic heritage. Something that helped open the door for me, was telling him that I just wanted to read the Bible together – not convert him. Our time together consists of reading through the Gospel of Mark and discussing what we see in the text. I am really thankful for this opportunity. My prayer is that Anthony's heart will be open and receptive to God's Word.

### **Personal**

We are definitely feeling more settled into our routine and life in Boston. A fun realization that I came to this past week is the joy that we gain on Sunday and Wednesday when we find a free or cheap parking space for worship services. Something that was taken for granted in Texas has become a source of joy in Boston!

A special milestone that our family reached this month is our youngest, Sarah, turned 5. We celebrated her birthday by going candlepin bowling – a New England tradition. The experience was a fun (and humbling) way to honor our baby girl!



To God be the glory in all that He has done!

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