

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Thank you for your love and support. We know the sacrifice that you give for us to do this work in Boston, and we do not take that for granted.

Personal

When we first moved to Boston 2.5 years ago, we decided to rent because we were having trouble finding a home to buy. This month, the Lord blessed our family with the opportunity to buy a home in the Boston area. Specifically, we have moved to Quincy, MA – the City of Presidents. It is the birthplace of John Adams, John Quincy Adams, John Hancock, and Dunkin Donuts!

This home is a blessing in so many ways. Housing in Boston is extremely expensive. However, buying this home has allowed us to lower our housing costs from our rental. It also gives us stability in knowing that our housing costs will not increase, which would inevitably happen in a rental. This home still allows us easy access to a train station and highway – which is important for us in



having accessibility for the congregation to come to our home. Related to that, we have received expressions of joy from some of the members of the church that our buying means we are putting down roots in Boston, which is important for such a transient group as we have. I also don't want to overlook the blessing of being able to get a mortgage, which ended up being somewhat of a challenge.

We were able to close on the house early in the month and move in a couple of weeks later. It has been a stressful month, but we cannot let that overshadow the amazing blessings we've received from the Lord!

Christians in Boston

Our congregation is still meeting outside in one of our member's backyard for Sunday morning worship. Thankfully, the weather has still been pleasant. However, we know

that this will not be sustainable for much longer when the weather turns cooler. We are currently trying to find a place for our group to meet inside, but that is proving difficult with the restrictions that are in place by the state.

This month also brings college students back into town, which always adds life and excitement to the congregation. One of our members came back from being home for the summer, and we know of at least two new college students who are moving into town. We love having students in our midst, but Boston is a difficult place for Christian students. The colleges and universities up here are prestigious and for high achievers. The pressure is strong from both professors and peers to invest an incredible amount of time into their studies. It is easy for Christian students to become overwhelmed with the difficult course load and find themselves "too busy" for God. I'm prayerful for our college students and hoping that our Christian family can help them through this time.

Work of Evangelist

I've been noticing that many people in the Boston area have been craving spiritual nourishment lately. I think part of this is due to trying to find a "new normal" of living with COVID. We continue to have several new visitors and regular visitors to our virtual Bible study every week. I hear from many of them that they are thankful for the study, because they have not been to their church since March. Some of these interactions (as well as interactions on Facebook) have given me more opportunities to set up regular weekly studies.

This month, we have had a number of visitors from our community join us for Bible class and worship on Sunday mornings. One regular visitor has been Michael – whom we met at our meetup study over a year ago. Michael has a thirst for God's word, and he has been loving our Bible classes. It has been good for him to be around so many

people who strive to dig deep in their study of the Bible. It has pushed him to study his Bible more. He calls or texts me on Saturday to find out what the Bible class is covering, so that he can read and prepare beforehand. He regularly gives thoughtful comments during class. I am hopeful that he will continue to study and grow in his commitment to the Lord.

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

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