



Dear Prayer Partners,

October 21, 2016

"How do you like Canada so far?"

The question that we are asked the most these days is, "How do you like Canada?" The other common questions that we get are, "Where are you from?" and "Did you leave the States because of the upcoming elections?" As obvious by the second question, we are still working on our Canadian English. As for the third question, we have some open opportunities to tell people why we *really* moved from the States—to preach and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ! As for the first question, we are excited to be here in the city that the Lord has directed us to! We are especially blessed to have a wonderful Church, Carleton Baptist, to get started with here in the city. The Pastors and people have welcomed us graciously and we have plenty of opportunities to serve the Lord. We like the house and neighborhood where we are renting. We have met most of our neighbors when our children play in the driveway and street. (We have two feet of grass on either side of the house. The backyard has more space, but the kids usually play out front). We are learning our way around and this greater Ottawa area is our new home.

Moving to a First World Country

I have been reminded how complicated first world living is. Much of our time over the last three months has been spent just getting life started here in Canada. Imagine loosing all of the cards in your wallet and loosing all the documents in your file cabinet. We have been working to get everything from drivers licenses to renters insurance. And about the time that we think we are getting ahead, we learn of some other legal obligation or life necessity.

Vehicle Situation

In our last letter, I explained briefly that our vehicles could not be imported and that we would have to return them and look for another vehicle. Praise the Lord that the matter was resolved fairly quickly. Our Michigan vehicles sold quickly in Michigan and the first vehicle sale that we seriously pursued here in Ontario went quickly. Thank you for praying about this!

Prayer Requests:

1. For the ministry list below
2. Our children are in school
3. We are still looking for a French tutor. We are looking for a tutor that will come to our home and teach our whole family.
4. For ongoing paperwork and details for us to get settled here

Our current ministry responsibilities and opportunities for prayer:

- Saturday Church setup
- Saturday door hangers and evangelism follow-up
- Singing in the choir
- Teaching mid-week adult Bible study (Jeff)
- Teen and college activity upcoming
- Retirement home services
- Home visits with Pastor
- Coffee and fellowship with the ladies (Kim)
- Kim speaking for ladies meeting in November

Serving in the Capital of Canada, The Smith Family

Jeff, Kim, Kyle, Emily, Alayna, Carson

