



Kings Lynn, England August Newsletter

This is a prayer request for faith.

We have come to a place in our ministry and lives where we are realizing that we lack faith to believe God for those BIG things, those great expectations, those open doors that no man can shut. Those mountains moved... those miracles!

A couple of months ago, Pastor Zeke wrote to me and asked me about what was on my heart as a BIG thing from God that he could pray for. I wrote back "to be in full time ministry."

That seemed huge. But the truth is.... that was basically it. I wasn't allowing myself to think any bigger than that and when I wrote it, I had no hope or faith of it ever becoming a reality.

Since then, Marie and I have spent a lot of time talking about this, praying and dreaming. We began to realize there are BIGGER things that we were actually afraid to say out loud or share with anyone else. Things so BIG That we weren't even asking God for them because honestly, unknowingly we didn't even believe that our God was BIG enough for them!

We have realized we are limited in our faith, in our prayers and in our ministry because of this lack of faith.

That being said, although we have a building that we rent, we are not allowed to do certain things....

For instance, the churches in this community are coming together to open their doors in the winter for the homeless. It gets colder here than at the North Pole at times! Can you imagine being homeless in such conditions.

As a church we have helped by buying tents & sleeping bags. We do clothing drives, providing coats, hats, gloves, jumpers and blankets. Yet the homeless population climbs and we are seeing families in the streets. It reminds us of Downtown Los Angeles in the late 70's.

Now the churches in our community have come together. For the first time in years.

To prepare to open their doors this winter and allow the homeless to sleep inside. The churches will return to being a refuge for the community and we would love to be a part of this opportunity to transform this place and share the love of God with the marginalized. Unfortunately, our Landlord will not allow it.

We would love to have wheel chair accessible toilets so that our disabled people do not have to leave church and go across to the bus station to use the loo, which is currently the case.

We would love to have a youth group and a youth club, where teens could come and learn weightlifting, music and trades. We are no longer allowed a Youth Group, as the building we rent is in the British Telecom parking lot and they don't like having the youth hanging around their work trucks and business.

We would love to have a space for a coffee shop to have a safe place for people to come and relax, hear Christian music and be served by Christians. A place to socialize for the young and old.

And we would love to open a school for missionaries. This has been a dream for years. Having discussed this with Dave Sylvester in York, we'd like to be able to have a satellite campus from the Bible College in York and offer the next generation an opportunity to serve as missionaries, ministering to this community and then take what they learn around the world.

The Lord put the Coastlands on our hearts when we first arrived here. We have faithfully prayed for these areas. Eventually we'd like to plant churches in Hunstanton, Sheringham and Cromer. We believe the calling and the vision God has given me includes church planting here.

We'd like to have a home where we could foster youth again, as we did when we arrived here.

All of these things are up to our landlords, for the church and our home and therefore out of our reach.... for now.

So... thinking, dreaming and praying bigger....

We have seen a building for purchase in the town centre. It has a flat on top that we could live in. It has the ability to be and do all of those things I've written about, eventually. The work it needs is cosmetic for the church and it needs appliances for the kitchen and cosmetic work in the flat.

It is for sale. In time, this or something like it, would allow me to accomplish those things I feel the Lord pressing on my heart.

In England you can not get a mortgage at my age for more than 10 yrs. so the down payment needs to be enough for me to be able to pay a mortgage on my salary instead of my house rent and church building rent, Council Tax on one property, heat on one property instead of two etc.. as it is our support covers the church completely. My pay cover us.

I'm not going to say how much it costs altogether or what the down I would need is. I'm am just saying... Pray.

I want to put the needs out there with great expectations that God will respond to us, as we respond to Him in faith.

We want the faith to believe this can be done. Now or in the future. We want to believe the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is with us and at work in and through us and has His heart here in this place. We want the faith to trust His timing and His plan, even tho we don't "see" any way to accomplish this.

We want to have the faith to believe "The One who calls us is faithful and He will do it"

Pray for us. Pray for our faith. Pray for Kings Lynn. Pray for God's provision here. Pray we would have the eyes to see Him do exceedingly, abundantly beyond all we could ask or think for such a time as this.

Much love,
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