



**We celebrated Easter in Ohio  
for the first time in 10 years.**



**We reconnected  
with the group  
from our home  
church who  
helped us with  
our Holiday Bible  
Club in 2023.**



**It's been a  
blessing to  
share in several  
churches during  
our furlough.**

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**Dear pastors/supporting churches,**

When we hit the deputation trail in March 2013, our first meeting was at our home church's annual missions conference. What a way to be launched out! We have such fond memories of that very first conference. Fast forward 12 years and we again found ourselves sharing in Canton Baptist Temple's missions conference. It was exciting to see so many faces - both new and familiar - and to experience such a wonderful conference. God truly blessed our time at CBT - from the services to the fellowship to the meals. A HUGE thank you to everyone who contributed in some way to such a special and memorable week.

Over the past few weeks, we've had the privilege of visiting several churches in Ohio and Pennsylvania. This furlough is shorter in length than our previous one, so we wanted to stay a little closer to home. If we didn't catch you this time around, hopefully we will the next time.

Overall, we've enjoyed reconnecting with churches and people that, in some cases, we haven't seen in a decade or longer! David, who is almost 10, was only a baby the last time we visited some of the churches. We're grateful for the friendly faces that have greeted us at each stop, the time of fellowship around the dinner table and, most of all, for the encouraging words from our brothers and sisters in Christ. Thank you to all who have gone out of their way to make us feel welcome.

It truly was a blessing to be back at our home church on Easter Sunday. The Lord was at work and, to top it off, we had the chance to sing in the CBT choir for the first time in a number of years. Meanwhile, back in Ireland, more than 80 - including several visitors - attended church on Easter. In addition, there were 16 in attendance at a recent women's Bible study. Our teammates, John and Emily Slater, are doing a great job!

Our boys have continued their home schooling in the US and are nearly finished for the year. Please pray that they finish strong! We also praise God that our daughter, Hannah, just finished her second year of university in Ireland.

Finally, we're thankful to all who gave a special gift toward Camp Vertical Perspective; we reached our goal! Camp is coming up fast so please begin praying now for God to soften the hearts of those who will be attending.

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