

THE VAN ZANDT FAMILY

Church Planters to Rhome, Texas

Love God. Reach People. Send Laborers.

Dear Pastor & Friends,

I apologize for how late you are receiving this letter. Our family has had a lot going on during these last two months. There have been many wonderful things that the Lord has blessed in. However, there have been some undesirable circumstances that have occurred as well. These months our family has experienced the agony and ecstasy of being church planters. We have experienced what it means to press forward for the cause of Christ despite the circumstances. However, we are so thankful for the Lord and His continual goodness to our family. If it were not for our faith in the Lord we can honestly say that we would be at a loss for what to do. Likewise, we cannot say thank you enough to the many prayer warriors from many different churches who have been praying for our family during this time.

We presented our ministry in fewer churches during the months of June and July . This was ultimately due to Silas being born and all the constant care and attention he has required. However, the Lord is good and allowed us to present the church plant at Central Baptist Church in Chico, Countryside Baptist Church in Mansfield, and Faith Baptist Church in Decatur. As always, we went with the desire to be a blessing to these sister churches, but we left feeling more blessed and filled than when we arrived.

As I mentioned previously, there have been wonderful things that we want to share to praise the Lord for. First and foremost, thank you all for praying so fervently for a place for Antioch Baptist Church to launch! We are finally able to say that we have found the place the Lord would have us to establish the church plant. The building is located in a prime location in the heart of Rhome, and it is only a couple of miles away from the new 10,000 home development. Thank you so much for partnering with us in prayer for the location that God would use to see Antioch Baptist Church founded and established. We are in the final stages of acquring this building for lease.

In other praise news, we have officially closed on and moved in to our new home! The Lord's grace and mercy toward our family during this time has been truly remarkable. This new home meets the specific needs for our family, as well as the needs for the church plant because of the close proximity it has to our meeting place! God is so good to us. Thank you so much for partnering with us in prayer to see God actively work in this needed area of our life.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Safety

Safety as we travel to churches.



dealth

Health for the whole family.



Silas

That God will continue to heal his bowels fully.



Church Plant

The Lord will prepare the people of Rhome.



Reference Point

Christ will be exalted and God would be glorified.



