



Reaching Australians with the Gospel, and teaching them to observe all things Christ has commanded us to do.

BRAZZELLS TO AUSTRALIA

April 2023 Prayer Letter

Praises:

- Everyone has transitioned well to life in AU
- Knox's salvation

Prayer Requests:

- Approval of our student visa
- Gospel opportunities
- Safety for Simeon's mom as she travels here

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It has been a full two months! Praise the Lord that we have transitioned to our new life and are quickly falling in love with Australia. Brettney and I have been so grateful to watch our children thrive. We have lived here for 3 months, and life is beginning to feel "normal."

The visa process has proven extremely difficult. God has made it very evident that His path for us is for me enroll as a student. This is actually the only option that allows us to stay in the country for more than a few months at this moment. Our student visa application has been lodged which grants us a bridging visa until the student visa is approved or denied. It is almost guaranteed that it will be approved, and I am scheduled to start classes in June. I will be able to attend a school in Parramatta which is the city we believe God has us to start a church in. Pray with us that this will provide gospel opportunities! It's not how we were hoping for things to work out, but we know that God's ways are always best. We are trusting Him to provide the necessary funds for tuition, as well as providing grace and strength as I add studies to my already busy schedule. Please still be in prayer that Nepean Baptist Church receives their sponsorship approval. We would like to transition to a visa sponsored by the church once the year commitments of this student visa expire.



While settling in and working with our attorney through the visa process, we have gotten involved at Nepean Baptist Church. Pastor Kemper has been a huge blessing and mentor as he has helped me understand Aussie culture and church planting. We have had opportunities to serve in Kids Club, the young adults ministry, and the music ministry. Several weeks ago, Edén was able to play the piano prelude, and Pastor called Knox up to help him lead a congregational hymn. It's a blessing to serve the Lord as a family! Brettney has enjoyed getting back to our weekly hospitality nights, having people in our home for dinner and fellowship.

On Resurrection Sunday, Knox trusted Jesus as his Savior! What a joy that our son would be the first salvation for us to report from our field!

Coming up. . .

My mom will be coming to stay with us for 3 weeks. Everyone is counting down the days until Mamaw arrives! She will be able to celebrate Willow's 1st and Ivy's 3rd birthday while she's here.

Reaching Australia for Christ,
Simeon, Brettney, Edén, Knox, Ivy & Willow Brazzell