



# ELWART FAMILY

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## New Prayer Letter Format

We wanted to present our letters differently from deputation than here on the field. So, we hope you enjoy!

## Praises

- The faithful prayers and financial support of churches and individuals all over the world
- The financial provision to purchase the items needed for the church to begin
- Great Get Acquainted Week
- Great Grand Opening Sunday
- New Guests from the community nearly every week
- Over 5,000 John/Romans in homes all over Big Bear

## Prayer Requests

- People to be saved
- Discipleship of the believers
- Growth of our church
- Our first membership classes finish on June 12.
- We have a missions team coming from GA June 20-27 to help us with a community project and youth event.
- Continued opportunities to witness

## ...and we're off!

We had a great Get Acquainted Week from March 27-31 followed by a great Grand Opening Sunday on April 3. We had good attendance during all of the services, and we are so grateful for all God has done.



Since then, we have been getting settled into ministry life in one place. After traveling for 2.5 years (including the COVID days), it definitely has taken some getting used to not being on the move every week. We absolutely loved our deputation travels and are thankful we had the opportunity to do so. We were able to meet and get to know so many wonderful believers along the roads and in the good churches of our great nation. These memories and friendships will last a lifetime.

The work of getting the church going has presented some challenges, as well as, many wonderful blessings. God has proven Himself to be faithful. It is Jesus who said in Matt. 16:18, "...I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." We just want to be faithful in the task He has called us to in giving the Gospel to the people of Big Bear, as well as, any others that visit from around the globe.

We have the wonderful opportunity to host a supporting church mission's group from GA for a week in June. We are so excited! We are planning to do a big community project and have a big youth event at the Sports Ranch where our church meets while they are here. We are excited about this opportunity to impact our community for Christ in these ways. Please pray that God would this time to draw the lost to Him for salvation and to show the community how much we love and care for them.



