



ELWART FAMILY

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Miracles From God!

As many of you know, we've been renting a house since we moved here over 2.5 years ago. It was exactly what we needed for the time. We've been praying that God would provide a house that was more suitable for our current family size while also giving us something that we could use to minister in a greater way to our church and community. Well, God answered our prayer in ways we never could have imagined.



God laid it on the heart of one of His children to purchase a house we had been looking at and help finance the remodel to fix it up like we wanted. Then he and his wife sold the finished product to us for all of those costs included, not a dime more (to include closing costs). So, we got a beautiful home that we can use for the Lord here with plenty of indoor and outdoor space for our family and church to fellowship in. Words cannot truly express our gratitude for their generosity to our family. We were able to get all moved in by the beginning of May, and were able to finally close on the purchase of our house the first week of July. It has been wonderful to see how God has already allowed us to use this place for Him in such a short time.

May also brought our sending church pastor, Tim Daniel and wife Karen, out for a visit. It was so good to see them and spend time fellowshiping together. Their presence here was a blessing and an encouragement to our hearts in so many ways. June started our very short but packed summer. Big Bear schools only have about a 6-7 week summer vacation. So, this entails lots of our folks being gone throughout the summer grabbing vacations and family time as much as they can. We were thankful to have a group of our teenage girls go to summer camp the last week of June. It was a wonderful week of preaching, growing, and fellowship for the teens and adults alike. It is always a highlight of the year. July brought about our church Family Camp Out. We had a wonderful time with some of our church family as we fellowshiped together in this way.

Brittany's parents came out to stay with our kids so we could get away and celebrate our anniversary at the end of July. This was the first time just the two of us have been able to get away for almost 2 years on an overnight trip. We are so grateful for this time that we were able to have together.

Lastly, we want to thank Fellowship Baptist Church in Clarklake, MI; People's Baptist Church in Penn Laird, VA; and New Testament Baptist Church in Kinston, NC for giving so generously to our church to buy a sound system and all of the items needed to go with it. We have purchased some already and are in the process of last minute research and purchase of the final items. We are so grateful for your faithful prayers and support! God is so good!

Praises

- Our new home!
- Great camps and summer church activities
- Provision of a sound system & other items