



Sept./Oct. 2010 Newsletter
**The Grove Family to
 New Zealand**

“The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound.”

Isaiah 61:1

In less than a month, we will be able to invite these folks to Victory Baptist Church in Ashburton, New Zealand as we pick up some fish and chips! God Is Good! Our prayers have been answered! Our house is officially SOLD! We have purchased our plane tickets to leave on October 28 for a 4 ½ month missions trip to Ashburton. Now we have the task of deciding what to put in storage and what to get rid of in order to empty our garage for the new owners. We would appreciate your prayers as we do not look forward to this task.

We had some wonderful meetings in September, including a great missions conference in Georgia. It is always good to be able to spend time with veteran missionaries, learning all we can from their experiences. As the time approaches for our departure, it is becoming more and more evident that we have so much to learn! We are depending more and more on the truth that “God does not call the gifted, He gifts the called!” I am not sure who should get the credit for this quote, but I am glad it is a scriptural truth. We know there are many people in New Zealand depending on our leadership in reaching their town. There are many blinded, brokenhearted, searching people who are bound in their sins, destined for an eternity in Hell, away from God. We know God has called us to take the truth to them and we must depend on His empowerment and wisdom.

Will you pray that God will continue to send in the support we need? We are grateful for so many who have sent gifts for our travel expenses! We have had several large, anonymous gifts come in which allowed us to purchase our plane tickets. We need to continue to pray for the many churches who have expressed a desire to support us, but the finances are not available yet. Please pray also for Brother John Mulrooney and his wife Pauline as they are making preparations for us to arrive there in Ashburton. Bro. John has been doing the bulk (if not all!) of the ministry work as well as working a full time job. We know they are tired from over 1 ½ years of being without a Pastor.

Thank you again for all your prayers and support! May God richly bless you all!

In His Service,

Mike Grove and family

Itinerary:

October 3

Midway Baptist
Unionville, MO

October 6-10

Soul Harbor Baptist Church
Mexico, MO

October 24

Faith Baptist Church
Ramseur, NC

October 28

Lord willing, fly to Ashburton, New
Zealand

March 16

Return from New Zealand and
continue our deputation ministry

March 27

a.m. Greenwood Baptist
Winchester, VA
p.m. Valley Baptist
Edinburg, VA

Current Support List:

- Eagle Heights Baptist, Kansas City, MO
- South Haven Baptist, Springfield, TN
- Individual Family, Kansas City, MO
- Heritage Bible Baptist, Kansas City, MO
- Desert Gateway Baptist, Gilbert, AZ
- Sonrise Baptist, Tucson, AZ
- Calvary Ind. Baptist, Huntingdon, PA
- Trinity Baptist, Wilson, NC
- Shenandoah Baptist, Cleveland, TN
- Love Valley Baptist, Kings Mountain, NC
- Individual Family, Tampa, FL
- Individual, Huntingdon, PA

- Verity Baptist, Colorado Springs, CO
- Living Word Baptist, Shickshinny, PA
- Emmanuel Baptist, Keene, NH
- Fellowship Baptist, West Seneca, NY
- Marion Ind. Baptist, Rivesville, WV
- Faith Bible Church, Sweet Valley, PA
- Grace Baptist, Excelsior Springs, MO
- Individual in Huntingdon, PA
- New Life Baptist Church, LaCygne, KS
- Many anonymous givers!

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- Praise God the house is SOLD and we have our plane tickets!
- Praise God another church took us on for support, we are currently at about 56% of the needed amount to be in New Zealand full-time.
- Opportunities to see souls saved and hearts moved to do more for missions
- God's blessing on His faithful people despite the circumstances around us!
- Scheduling of meetings for April thru August, 2011. We desire to be in NZ full-time in September 2011.