



THE LAKE FAMILY

APPOINTEES TO THE BRONX, NY

The Empire State

Well, we made it to New York. We have been here over a month now. We are settled in, unpacked & learning our way around the area. We are so thankful to Bible Baptist of Williamson for allowing us to use the old parsonage. The house is very nice and much larger than our house back in Michigan. The trip out was uneventful and smooth. We have been busy with deputation meetings every weekend and some Wednesday nights. We have been through several states including: Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, West Virginia, Vermont and New Hampshire. After you drive so much it all starts to look the same after a while. We did see several "moose crossing" signs in NH but no actual moose sightings. Sam is making calls to schedule meetings for 2009. If you would like to have us come & share our burden for the lost people of the Bronx please contact us.

Do we miss Ludington, MI? Yes. Are we getting accustomed to Williamson, NY? Yes. But mostly we miss the Bronx. It is hard to explain how you can miss a place that you have hardly ever been to before. We know that is where the Lord wants us to be. When you think of Heaven – do you "miss" it? We want to serve the Lord in the Bronx because we do not want the people there to "miss" Heaven.

News from the Front Line – The Bronx

Much prayer is needed right now for the Bronx ministry. A new lease was just signed for the storefront church, then the insurance company dropped them. The only company that will insure them is charging twice the rate & requiring a passed inspection which looks unlikely. This would make it illegal to meet for church in the storefront and the landlord still expects his rent.

With the economy and rising costs, the building project is about \$70,000 short. *This need is desperate!* If there is no more money, the CBM missionary builders cannot wait around for more to come in. They will have to move to the next project - leaving the Bronx church unfinished. Pray that the needed funds will come in to complete the church. You might ask, "Does the Bronx really need another church?" There are many churches in the Bronx. It is not that the Bronx needs churches but that *the Bronx needs a church that preaches and teaches the truth.* If a person is not shown the truth from the Word of God *how can they be saved?* (Romans 10:17)

There are also needs among the people from the Bronx storefront church. Pray for Naya - for her attendance and guidance from the Lord on decisions she has to make. Pray for Rose. Rose is doing well spiritually but needs to have surgery soon. Pray for Arentha and her three children. She used to be very faithful in coming to church but has stopped coming the past couple months. Pray for Sunita a lady that Marty & Val have been witnessing to as well.

Keep Marty, Val and their children Josh, Josiah and Shakinah in your prayers. Josh is seven years old and has autism. The school system is giving them the run around with helping to find schooling for Josh. Pray that a school can be found for Josh where he can excel.



A "WELCOME" SIGHT AFTER A LONG TRIP FROM MICHIGAN.

What a privilege!

A couple of weeks ago on a Sunday evening we had another opportunity to share our burden for the Bronx, New York. After the service, a sixteen year old young lady approached Jen. She told Jen that after seeing our presentation and hearing our hearts, she was sure that God was calling her to be a missionary. Jen was so excited to hear those words. She asked her a few questions about her salvation. She shared that she was saved a couple years ago because of the faithful testimony of her grandma. She is the only one in her immediate family that has a personal relationship with Christ. Our desire to reach young teenage moms and others that are in need really hit home for her. Jen could tell that she was concerned about her family. Jen told her that God has placed her in a mission field of her own right there among her own family. Jen prayed with her right there in the auditorium. Jen prayed that God would strengthen her relationship with His Son Jesus and that she would be given opportunities to witness to her family. Jen prayed that God would continue to make His will for her life clear and give her the courage to follow after HIM. We are ever humbled to be used in such a way for Christ.

On A Lighter "Note".....

The parsonage that we are living in has a piano. Sam said it is a sign that Jen should practice playing. Jen took lessons when she was a kid but that was so long ago. The church in the Bronx doesn't have a piano player so guess what Jen has been doing – practicing the piano. Please pray that Sam & Emily will be able to endure the plunking. Jen's playing will not be anything fancy. As long as the song doesn't have more than a couple flats or one sharp you can at least tell what song she is playing. Practice makes perfect or better anyways or so they say!



WE ARE GETTING SETTLED IN OUR NEW HOME AT BIBLE BAPTIST IN WILLIAMSON, NEW YORK.



OUR NEW HOME

Support Level

Thank you to another family, Hesperia Baptist of Hesperia, MI & First Baptist of Essexville, MI for choosing to partner with us through prayer and finances. Our support level is now at 21.66%. Praise the Lord!

Web Site Hosting

We would like to thank our web site host - www.net-at-hand.com for all their help with our web site. They are a great place to go if you want your own site!

Don't forget to check out our web site - www.samandjenlake.com - for current news, photos & more.

Praises

- ~ Our move to NY went well
- ~ That we are now at 21.66% of our needed support
- ~ Eight meetings scheduled for 2009
- ~ Emily is adjusting well to our new home here in NY

Prayer Request

- ~ The renovations in the Bronx will go smoothly & safely
- ~ Still need about \$70,000 to finish Bronx church renovations
- ~ Marty & Val Silverberg and family
- ~ Our house in Michigan to sell
- ~ Deputation meetings for 2009
- ~ That our support would increase quickly

Please note our new contact info listed below.....

Upcoming Meetings

- June 22nd Galilean Baptist Church
Shepherdstown, WV (AM)
- June 22nd Evangel Baptist Church
Hagerstown, MD (PM)
- June 29th Cookport Baptist Church
Commodore, PA (AM)
- July 6th Bible Baptist Church
Oswego, NY (AM)
- July 6th First Baptist Church
Memphis, NY (PM)
- July 13th Faith Baptist Church
Farmington, NY (AM)
- July 13th Emmanuel Baptist Church
Penn Yan, NY (PM)
- July 16th Calvary Baptist Church
Fulton, NY (Wed.)
- July 20th Maplehurst Baptist Church
Hinsdale, NY (AM)
- July 20th Harvest Baptist Church
Bath, NY (PM)
- July 21-26th Independent Baptist Church
Week of Church Camp - Indian Lake, NY
Moose River Baptist Youth Camp
- July 27th Knowlhurst Baptist Church
Stony Creek, NY (AM)
- July 27th First Baptist Church
Ticonderoga, NY (PM)
- Aug. 3rd Calvary Baptist Church
Depew, NY (All Day)
- Aug. 10th Grace Baptist Church
Marion, NY (All Day)
- Aug. 17th Delevan Baptist Church
Delevan, NY (AM)
- Aug. 17th First Baptist Church
Marilla, NY (PM)
- Aug. 24th Breesport Baptist Church
Breesport, NY (All Day)
- Aug. 31st First Baptist Church
Ripley, NY (AM)
- Aug. 31st Humphrey Baptist Church
Great Valley, NY (PM)
- Sept. 7th Pines Brook Baptist Church
Walton, NY (All Day)
- Sept. 14th First Baptist Church
Horseheads, NY (All Day)
- Sept. 21st Henrietta Regular Baptist Church
Rochester, NY (All Day)
- Sept. 28th First Baptist Church
Maine, NY (All Day)

Sending Church

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