



Hoffmans

BRETT AND JENNY—BRINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

January 2025
Happy New Year!

Dear Faithful Friends and Family,

We are overwhelmed with gratitude for God’s abundant blessings this past year.

This has been a wonderfully busy year for us, and we thank the Lord for it. Our church family has been a tremendous blessing, and we are grateful for the opportunity to serve in such a wonderful place. This year, we have seen four people come to Christ, experienced growth in church attendance, started a new teen Sunday school class, and launched children’s classes on Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

A verse that has been particularly meaningful to me this year is 1 Corinthians 1:3-4: *“Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.”*

These words remind us that, no matter the trials we face, God is our ultimate source of comfort, even in our deepest sorrows.

Earlier this year, I received a call from my brother Eric with news of his diagnosis of stage 3 lung cancer. Although his doctors were optimistic about his chances of survival, a few months ago he shared that a new spot was found on his lung, and, more concerning, cancer was discovered at the base of his cerebellum. This cancer is inoperable, though it has been targeted with radiation. We have been praying fervently for a miraculous healing, and hundreds of others have joined us in prayer.

On Monday, December 16th, my parents informed me that Eric’s condition had worsened. Doctors who initially gave him a prognosis of two years with treatment now believe he may only have three months. Jenny and I flew to the States on December 27th to be with Eric during these final days. I am comforted by the knowledge that Eric is saved and bound for heaven. I told him recently that I was envious he would see Jesus before I would, and he smiled.

While we are in the States, pastors from both the North and South Islands will be coming to preach in our absence, and several men in our church will step up to teach, preach, and manage the ministry. During this time, we also plan to visit and report to a few churches in the area.

Additionally, we are in the process of renewing our visas – a reminder of how quickly these past two years have flown by. Please pray for a smooth renewal process and that our visas will be approved without delay.

We deeply appreciate your ongoing prayers and financial support. You all are a tremendous blessing to us.

In Christ,
Brett & Jenny Hoffman



Church Christmas Party 2024



Dinner with some of the young adults



November Ladies Fellowship