

# **BRANCHES** CHURCH PLANTING IN **SAN FRANCISCO**



**We have now been in San Francisco for nearly two months!** Time has flown by!

**OUR TEAM ΔΔΔΔΔ**

The first month we spent searching for a place to live and getting adjusted to city life. We were very fortunate to have a mission apartment to stay in during this time at Calvary Baptist Church. They have been so good to us. They also have hired me to teach Bible part time at their Christian school. This has helped immensely with our finances here in the City. It also allowed me to start ministering right away. I have several students who are international students from China. I get the opportunity to teach them the Bible, something they didn't grow up hearing and may never hear again. **Please pray with me that these students as well as the rest of the kids will be convicted by the Holy Spirit and give their lives to Jesus.**

**House searching was hard!** Hali spent almost all day everyday searching for apartments on the internet. Many times, we just drove around neighborhoods looking for rent signs. The rental market is highly competitive. Usually, within a couple days of posting their listing a landlord can have multiple applications to choose from. That meant with our 3 kids, we got passed over quite a bit.

However, right before the end of September **God gave us an apartment!** We had pretty much given up on getting an apartment in the right neighborhood or finding one with a living room suitable for a home bible study. I had found a community center in the Outer Sunset that would be perfect for meeting in as a church but finding a place to live near there was proving impossible.

But guess what God did? We saw a listing that was in the exact neighborhood where we wanted to plant. Not only the exact neighborhood, but the exact street we wanted to be on...and guess what, it's right across the street from that community center!! It also has a large enough living room to use for our bible studies. It is a two-bedroom apartment at \$3400 a month, which was \$100 under budget. God is good. Soon we will start holding home bible studies and start reaching out to our neighbors. **Please pray that we can use this apartment God gave us as a tool to reach our neighbors with the gospel.**

We were able to have a planning meeting with the two other couples that moved out to San Francisco to be part of our church planting team. We planned out the months leading up to our launch date on Easter of 2020. Over the next couple months, we will start doing community outreaches in various forms. We plan to join in with some of the things already going on in our neighborhood so that we can meet our neighbors and show them the love of Jesus. **Pray that God will open doors for us to meet many new people and that they would be receptive to the Gospel.**

**Please also pray as we try to raise some additional support.** The expense out here is extreme. However, God owns it all, so we aren't worried. **Also pray as we do all those necessary things...**getting the car registered and new drivers' licenses and start filing for our Church 501c3.

Thank you!

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