

NEXT STEPS: NEW ZEALAND



Greetings from New Zealand!

After leaving St. Louis Friday, May 31st and traveling at least a whole day around the world, I arrived in the Northern Island city of Auckland early Sunday morning, June 2nd! After a two hour or so bus ride south, I finally arrived at my final destination of Hamilton, New Zealand! That very same morning, I attended my first Sunday service in the beautiful country of New Zealand at Missionaries Brandon and Mollie Borders' church, Grace Fellowship!

For the next three weeks 17 other "Next Steppers" and I would attend classes for training. Many different sessions were taught by amazing and influential instructors such as Angie Clark, Cori Smith, Alan Shalm, and James Poitras.

These classes were life changing. I have already learned so much about myself and grown from each person around me!

New Zealand is pretty similar to the States, but some things are different and fun to get used to. Like the fact that it is winter and I am freezing... or that it is a 17 hour time change (I'm speaking to you from the future - hehe). Overall, it has been easy to adjust to the "Kiwi" lifestyle.

The church here in New Zealand is pretty developed and has a little over 300 constituents nation-wide. The church in Hamilton is very multicultural. There are people from all over! Some nationalities

DURING APPRENTICESHIP

- Daily Group Devotions and Prayer
- Weekly Prayer Walks
- Teaching at GATS Bible School!
- Group Evangelism Efforts
- Next Steps Choir
- Mid Winter Revival Prep
- MK Homeschooling

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include Colombians, Fijians, Kiwis, Filipinos, Tongans, and now 17 Americans and 1 Canadian! (A Sunday morning altar call at Grace Fellowship is pictured below). Grace Fellowship has an amazing youth group which we had fun connecting and fellowshiping with at the youth leader's house our first week here. Below is a picture of us singing together! They love music! We got to go to Hobbiton (if you don't know what this, you should look it up because it's super cool). On this tour we saw the countryside of New Zealand and it is so

we ventured back up to Auckland where classes were held in our hotel (and when my incredibly awesome sister came into town!). We had wonderful classes and were able to see the city. While there, we were able to go up the Sky Tower in downtown Auckland. After returning to Hamilton we had one week left of class before we shared sad goodbyes with our fearless leaders. Before they left, we got to visit a few famous glow worm caves - super gross but super cool..

Keep on the lookout for my next newsletter to hear about what awesome things God is going to do in July during our apprenticeship!



PRAYER REQUESTS

BOLDNESS FOR THE
NEXT STEPS TEAM

EFFECTIVITY AND UNITY
OF THE TEAM

THE BORDERS FAMILY

PREACHING POINT IN
TAURANGA, NZ

FOR THE HEARTS OF
UNBELIEVERS TO BE
RECEPTIVE

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

Mondays:
PRAYER - 7:00 PM

Tuesdays:
GATS 7:00 - 10:00 PM

Wednesdays:
BIBLE STUDY - 7:00 PM

Thursdays:
GATS 7:00 - 10:00 PM

Fridays:
GROUP EVANGELISM &
OUTREACH

Sundays:
CHURCH 10:00 AM

SNAPSHOTS

