



# THE BARRETTS —to— ENGLAND

Dear Praying Friends,

July/August

We have officially hit the 2-year point of full-time deputation! What an incredible journey it has been! Don't let anyone tell you that serving the Lord isn't an adventure. Over the last two years we have presented in 160 churches and had 80 partner with us. Wemberly has started and finished kindergarten, commenced 1<sup>st</sup> grade, and Arden has no memories that pre-date life on the road. Praise the Lord, that with 7 additional partnering churches, we have now officially passed the 90% mark! Our transition fund is now just past 90% of our goal (this includes factors like costs tripling for what we're required to pay into the British Healthcare system).

## Praises:

- 2 years of Deputation
- 90% Support Rate
- 90% Transition Fund
- 7 New Partners
- Acceleration of Transition Process

## Prayer Requests:

- Transition Fund 100%
- Details for Visa and Move Overseas
- 100% Support by December

Over the last month and a half, we have been primarily in the Northwest part of the country. This has meant a lot of driving and a lot of beautiful scenery. We had the special opportunity to be with a church in Wyoming during their VBS week. What was even more special was the fact that Whitney's home church sent a group of teens and adults to help coordinate the event. It was super cool to serve alongside Eastland Baptist and to watch our girls grow close to many of the teens. There have been several churches recently that have very evidently been anticipating our time with them and praying for us and our field, that is such an encouragement to us!

The first week of August brought an exciting first for our family; we were flown from Seattle down to San Diego to be a part of a Wed. – Sun. Mission Conference. It was an incredibly special week, the international dinner was extraordinary, and our hearts were knit very closely to the people. Because of churches like them aspects of our timeline have accelerated. While the goal is still to start the visa process in January and move over in early 2022, our gears are beginning to shift from deputation to transitioning. We applied for the girl's passports this past week and we also were able to set aside some extra time to be with family around the holidays. God has been so good to us that I now find myself turning down meetings and even canceling a few towards the end because of the timing and drive involved.

Along with this new phase of deputation comes a lot of prayer requests, please allow me to spend a little more time than usual to relate some. Firstly, please pray that God will continue to bless our remaining deputation and enable us to hit the 100% rate by December; also pray that our transition fund will also hit the 100% mark. Prayer for all the details involved in the visa process and a move overseas are going to be very needed over the next several months as well. We love you all and praise God for you! Our journey would not be progressing as it has without your faithful praying and giving.

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