

# The Turner Family



*"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."* **Philippians 3:14**

June 30, 2009

Dear Pastor,

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we SHALL reap, if we faint not." (Galatians 6:9)

On the 14th of June, our church, Anchor Baptist Church, celebrated 8 years of ministry here in the Vancouver area. To say there have not been any weary days would be a great fallacy. Of course, there have been weary days, but God has always been faithful. Just like previous anniversary celebrations, thousands of flyers were sent out (15,000 to be exact). Many of our church members invited guests to come. We prayed that God would bless our efforts. My personal prayer request was for power to preach and a full house to hear the preaching. God answered by sending us 222 people, and there was 1 saved as well! This was the highest day for attendance that we have had. Our previous high day was 150.

The Sunday following the anniversary, a single mom named Catherine came forward in the evening service to be saved. She had been attending for six weeks. The central theme for the message was the cross. Just a few moments into the invitation, she came forward in tears to make public her salvation. Both of her daughters have also been saved in the last two months. Please pray for this family that they would grow in the Lord and follow the Lord in believer's baptism.

Our Persian Sunday school class continues to see wonderful decisions. There have been 5 ladies saved since the class began on Easter Sunday. Again, we would ask you to pray for these new Christians that would take the next step and be baptized.

The summer is always an exciting time for ministry. The last two weeks of July are Junior and Teen Camp. The second week of August is Vacation Bible School. We will continue to hold services in the prison, several nursing homes, and the Union Gospel Mission. A harvest of souls is still in need of salvation!

My family and I are very grateful to each of you for praying and giving. This is a great help in keeping us here in the Vancouver area. Your help is not in vain!

We love you,

The Turners  
Ben, Becky, Caleb, Brianna, and Emma

P.S. Looking ahead to February 2010 . . . Vancouver is hosting the winter Olympics!

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