

PRAY **HEBERT** FAMILY FOR THE MISSIONARIES TO TORONTO, CANADA



Dear Pastor,

My name is Brian Hebert, missionary to Toronto, Canada. You may be asking yourself, "Why Canada? Why go to such an overreached, under-populated area where the Gospel has been preached for so long?" My answer to those questions is that the Canada that most people think of no longer exists. Because of Canada's freedoms and easy immigration laws, many people from around the world have immigrated to Canada for a better life. In Toronto we can literally reach the world in one city. You could say that we're opportunists. My hope is that you will also become an opportunist by partnering with us to reach the lost and dying world that has come to Toronto. We desire to have multiplied, remaining fruit in the Toronto area that will abound to our account and yours.

Through much prayer and listening to the Holy Spirit's leading, my wife and I have decided to join forces with veteran missionary Brian Johnston and his family in reaching the people of Toronto and the Greater Toronto Area. Bro. Johnston has labored for ten years in the Toronto area to win souls, disciple believers, plant churches, and build a strong, pattern church, the Gospel Light Baptist Church. Our plan is to join his team in planting, multiplying, and strengthening churches all around the Toronto area.

Please prayerfully consider allowing me to come to your church to present the ministry that God has placed on our hearts. The harvest is plenteous, and the fields are very white unto harvest. We will step in to take our place in the Lord's harvest. Will you pray about helping us get there?

His servant and yours,

Brian Hebert



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Salvation Testimonies

Brian

The Lord saved me at the age of 15 as a result of the infamous 9/11 attacks. I had been attending the St. Amant Baptist Church in St. Amant, Louisiana, as a bus kid since I was five years old. I remember being talked to about salvation often as a child, but I don't think I really understood it. When I became a teenager, my understanding of the Gospel changed. I knew that I was a sinner and that I must trust Jesus alone for salvation; however, my pride, rebellion, and self-reliance made me confident that my sinful lifestyle was okay the way it was without becoming one of "the church people." Yet, when I heard that the Twin Towers had fallen to terrorists, I didn't feel so invincible after all. As a result of that tragic day, I neither slept nor ate well because of the deep fear in my heart that I might go to Hell. God definitely had my attention. I thought, What if I had died in one of those crashes? On the next church service that came around, I fell under the conviction of the Holy Spirit for my sin and asked Jesus to be my personal Saviour. He has forever changed my life.

Liz

I was privileged and blessed to be reared in a loving Christian home. My parents made sure from the time I was a baby that I was at church three times a week. My kindergarten Sunday school teacher asked me in class if I knew for sure when I died if I would go to Heaven. I told her, "Yes, I would go to Heaven," and I honestly thought I would because my parents took me to church three times a week and made me behave. She told me I would not go to Heaven, because being good does not save you. I realized I was a sinner and could not go to Heaven on my own. That day after class, I bowed my head and asked Jesus to come into my heart.



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Call to Missions

My call to missions came during a missions trip to Mexico as a teenager. We went down as a church to help our pastor's missionary friend, Bro. Fritz, in Monterrey, Mexico. I had never seen such poverty coupled with a great dearth of the Gospel. I remember seeing the lights hundreds of homes on a nearby hillside and asking myself, Who will reach them? On the last night we were there, God broke my heart for the first time for the lost peoples of the world. It was an amazing trip that literally opened my eyes to the need for the Gospel in the world.

Originally I thought maybe God wanted me to minister in Mexico, but, through a process of time, the Holy Spirit led me in another direction—Canada. During my time at Hyles-Anderson College, my heart was stirred for many people groups in much the same way that I was stirred up for the people of Mexico, but I could never be sure of what God had for me until I met Bro. Brian Johnston.

Bro. Johnston presented his ministry to the college on a special Missions Emphasis Days meeting. When he told of the "world in a city" concept, the Holy Spirit pricked my heart, and deep down I knew that this might be the place I'd serve the Lord one day. In time he and I met and arranged a time for my wife and me to visit his ministry. God got a hold of my heart when I saw the international mixture in Toronto and the great absence of preachers there. I later surrendered to God's calling to serve with the Johnstons in Toronto, Canada.



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About Toronto and the Greater Toronto Area

Toronto and its surrounding suburbs have a growing population of 6 million people. It is among the world's most diverse cities in which 200 distinct ethnic groups live. This place is quite literally the world in a city. In one city block, a missionary can hand out tracts to hundreds of people whose nationalities come from all corners of the globe, including people from Iran, India, Korea, China, Romania, Philippines, and many more. Many of these immigrants come from places that a foreign missionary could not go because of governmental restrictions against missionaries. What an opportunity to reach the world freely!

English and French are the two official languages of Canada; however, around 140 dialects are spoken in the Toronto area. Whereas there are a great many people who are fluent in English, there are many who are not. This situation presents us with a unique challenge. How can we speak all of these languages at once? Our plan is to win those who speak multiple languages and dialects so we can train an army of multi-lingual soul winners to saturate the Toronto area with the Gospel.

Along with the many immigrants to Toronto have come their many false gods and religions. Every major world religion and even many minor religions are represented in Toronto and the Greater Toronto Area, yet independent, fundamental Baptist churches are in the minority. Toronto may be a very beautiful and prosperous city with a booming economy, but they lack the most important thing of all—the Gospel. The people there have little need of anything except the Gospel. A spiritual darkness looms over Toronto that only Jesus can dispel.



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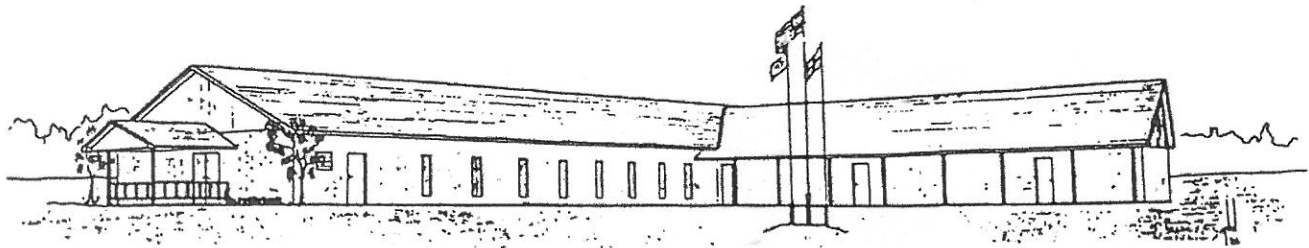
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To Whom It May Concern:

I had the privilege of pastoring Brian Hebert during his time here in his home church of St. Amant Baptist Church in St. Amant, Louisiana.

Brian is a great young man with a heart and desire to serve God and reach the lost. In order to do this Brian was faithful to go soul-winning and serve in the bus ministry here in his home church.

I believe that Brian will do a great job serving as your missionary to Toronto, Canada. I ask that you, as a church, pray and ask God what you can do to help he and his wife share the Gospel on the field of Canada.

In His Service,

Melvin J. Meister, Jr.
Pastor

...I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. Acts 20:31

“...Choose you this day whom ye will serve...but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”
Joshua 24:15

September 5, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

I'd like to take a moment, if I could, and recommend a young missionary to you for support on the foreign field of Toronto, Canada.

Brian Hebert, with his wife Elizabeth, are very good people with a sincere desire to serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Brian was a bus kid who started riding the Sunday School bus with his baby-sitter, and then bus captain, as a 4 year old child. Brian grew up in the Kindergarten, Junior aged and finally Youth Department of his home church, St. Amant Baptist Church in St. Amant, Louisiana. I had the privilege of being Brian's Youth Pastor for all of his teenage years.

Brian was my “right arm” in the Youth Department. He was always faithful to call for a ride for each and every activity he could attend. He was always willing to work around the church on any project that was taking place at the time and it didn't matter how dirty you had to get. He was always willing to be a part and a blessing.

Brian had a heart for the children and was an active bus worker as well. Brian had a sincere desire to see lost folks saved and was willing to do whatever it took to get the Gospel out. Brian surrendered to the call to be a missionary during his teen years. He was willing to go wherever God called.

I know you will not be disappointed in this young man as your missionary to Toronto, Canada. Please pray and ask God what you, as a church, can do to help Bro. and Mrs. Hebert reach the lost in Canada. God bless you.

Serving together,



Charles A. Smith
Associate Pastor
Youth Pastor
St. Amant Baptist Church
St. Amant, Louisiana



September 15, 2013

Dear Pastor,

The honor is mine to recommend Brian Hebert and his dear wife, Elizabeth, to be your future missionaries. Brian and his wife are both graduates of Hyles-Anderson College. I had the opportunity of working with Brian before and after he married "Liz." I am very confident in saying that this is a couple of solid integrity living above reproach.

While in college Brian was a major part of the success of our inner-city chapel ministry in Gary, IN. Brian and Liz were involved in every aspect and every function of our ministry. If I ever made a right decision it was putting Brian and Liz in charge of our Jr. church. They take a dungeon-looking basement and transformed it into a beautiful classroom. They always had ideas and were willing to do more. They are one of the best husband and wife teams that I have ever seen. Not only did they produce souls saved and baptisms on a regular basis, but they also gave the children of our church a genuine love that enriched our ministry.

I am eye witness to much evidence that Brian and Elizabeth Hebert will be very profitable to the Lord's work. These are "down to earth" people living sacrificially with a heart of gold. If you have any questions my email is rader.teamperu@gmail.com. Thank you for your time and consideration in reading this letter. God bless you.

His for souls,

Mark Rader

"AND SO WERE THE CHURCHES ESTABLISHED IN THE FAITH, AND INCREASED IN NUMBER DAILY." ACTS 16:5



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