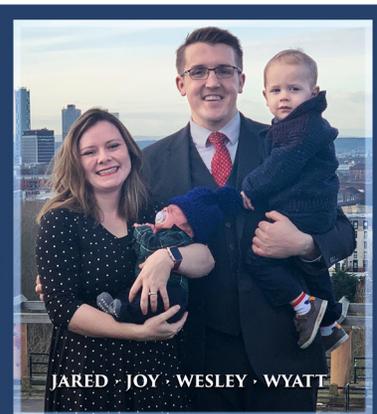


THE Kleman Family



‘REDEEMING THE TIME’ IN
Liverpool, England



JARED · JOY · WESLEY · WYATT

Dear Praying Friends and Family,

SPRING 2021 UPDATE

We are so sorry for the delay in sending out our ministry update for the Spring. Once you read our update, hopefully the reason for its tardiness will be clearer. We have much to rejoice in the Lord over and trust the next few paragraphs will cause you to praise God for His “marvelous works to the children of men” (Psalm 107:8), as well.

INDEFINITE LEAVE TO REMAIN

As you know from our prior updates, in March we were intended to apply for our Indefinite Leave to Remain. Unfortunately, the US Embassy offices are not yet offering ‘routine citizenship appointments’, which is what Wyatt has been needing to report his birth abroad and to receive his passport. These two documents are required to apply for our ILR and their citizenship and therefore we were put on a bit of a delay. Thankfully we can take the extended application date for later this year! Praise the Lord for this much needed new time frame. Because of the time frame, we do not need to apply for the immediate response and are able to choose a cheaper option (Hallelujah!). The new calculated costs for our ILR and the boy’s citizenship is now at an estimated \$12,500.00. We are still saving and praying concerning the funds needed to apply for these things and are extremely thankful to those who have sacrificially given thus far. Originally, we viewed not being able to apply straight away as a ‘setback’ and we questioned why this would happen at such a crucial time. Now, however, we see God’s hand in it all and are so thankful... Which leads to our next ministry update...

BRIEF TRIP TO THE US

Due to our ILR being on hold for this time, God opened the door for us to be able to take a brief, seven-week trip back to the United States. Should we have applied for our ILR we would not be able to leave England for several months leading up to the application process as well as afterwards, until it’s approval. This trip is our first time to travel back to States in 5½ years! Whilst we are in the States, we will be visiting several churches that are in our areas of travels, updating them on the ministry. We have thirteen meetings scheduled during the seven weeks we are back. We appreciate dearly everyone’s prayers and support and would love to see every supporting church. Considering, however, that nearly all our family members have never met either of the boys and that Joy’s sister is getting married in May, spending time with them during this quick trip will be very special. Therefore, all the meetings we have booked are in locations near family or on our way that allow us to ‘have the best of both worlds’, in a sense. We pray each of you understand our hearts in this and know we are so thankful for your faithfulness to the Lord by sacrificing for His work to advance in England through the ministry we have there.

Due to the intense preparations needed to prepare for this brief trip (i.e., Wyatt’s special travel situation since he does not have a passport, COVID testing and more), this was a main culprit for the delay in our writing to share the ministerial blessings that we have experienced from God’s hands. It always seems that so much is taking place. Joy has a saying, “better busy than bored”, and in this instance, we have definitely been busy with researching all these things, packing, taking care of the church, organizing ministry-wide things, nurturing the boys, and more!

We rejoice that God allowed us to safely land in the United States on Monday, May 3rd. Wesley and Wyatt were both travel champions and our flights, though long, were enjoyable. In many specific ways we could see God’s hand had gone before us and He showered us with blessings along the way— from COVID tests to border patrol to kind stewardesses and more! We wish we could write of them all to share them with you. But now, on to the blessings we have seen over the last few months in regards to our ministry in England...

BRECK ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

England is still in a lockdown and opening slowly by tiers, but this has not stopped God's work from moving forward! In March we celebrated the church's 4-year anniversary. It was a sweet service with testimonies and a potted history and special music. You can watch that service by clicking the link below. During this third lockdown, we were able to do the Sunday School online-- a much different method than what we are used to, for sure! We would record the Sunday School on Friday and then visit each Sunday School family on Sunday afternoons. It was very encouraging to collect the worksheets each week from the young people, as well as record them saying memory verses. Thankfully, on April 12th, we were able to hold the Sunday School and Youth Rally in person once again.

We rejoice in God's blessing as we saw nearly every Sunday School child back in their place on that first Sunday back! The first Youth Rally back since the third lockdown was also very encouraging as it was the best attended rally we have had since COVID kicked off. Nearly 30 teenagers gathered at the church, some even coming on their own via train! Another wonderful encouragement during this time was holding the third baptism service for Breck Road Baptist Church! The service was for a dear lady from Brazil who has been coming since the first lockdown. God has worked in her life in amazing ways, and it was a special privilege being a part of this next step of faith in her life. You can watch the baptism service by clicking the link below.

As always, we are truly thankful to each one who faithfully prays for and supports the work that God is doing in England. We are humbled to be a small part of His big picture.

In Christian Service,
Jared, Joy, Wesley and Wyatt



Jared leading the funeral service for the father of three of our Sunday School children.



Joy singing with some ladies at the church.



Group of people going out on one of the church-wide visitation days.



Wesley loves playing his friends at church.



Recording the online Sunday School with one of our teenage girls.



Our first flight back to the USA in over 5 years! (We've smiling under the masks)



Showing the boys our Alma Mater, the Crown College in Powell, Tennessee.



The girls Bible Study that was able to meet during the lockdowns. These are our more faithful young ladies who are also being trained to help in the Sunday School.



It was lovely to see our pastor, Pastor Sexton, and his wife.



Wesley seeing Joy's dad for the first time since birth!



The third baptism service was such an encouraging Sunday!



Meeting for our first in-person Sunday School during the 3rd lockdown.



Recording the online Sunday School with one of our teenage girls.

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