

THE BATE FAMILY

planting Faith Baptist Church
of Roseville, CA

under GFA Missions



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LORD, LAY SOME SOUL UPON MY HEART

I was recently reminded of the words of this song. May they be the prayer of our hearts as we serve the Lord today!

Lord, lay some soul upon my heart, And love that soul through me;
And may I faithfully do my part To win that soul for Thee.

JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD HEARD IT ALL...

At least when it comes to breakfast foods! We were recently at a missions conference, and our host family fixed us a breakfast dish that we had never heard of – Dutch Babies. Who ever heard of such a breakfast item? It is a mixture of pancakes and eggs. They have a weird name, but they sure do taste good!

YOUR ANSWERED PRAYER

Last month I mentioned that there were several churches that were interested in supporting us financially, and I asked you to pray that God would burden them to do so. Over the last few weeks, two churches contacted us sharing that they are in the final stages of that process. Thank you for praying! Lord willing, we will be able to report a support increase next month.

P.S. After I wrote this, I received word that one of these churches committed to support us financially. See www.CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com for details.

ATHEY UPDATE

The Athey family is continuing to serve in our sister church, Faith Baptist Church of Folsom, CA (fbcfolsom.org). Caleb has started crawling everywhere! Matt and Amy are experiencing a whole new level of parenting now! Amy has had some health struggles this summer and would appreciate your prayer. Matt has been staying very busy with his teaching and preaching ministry. It is a challenge for him to work a full time job, get the proper family time, and study for his teaching and preaching. Pray that God would give him grace and wisdom to maximize his time.

JUST FOR FUN

You might enjoy looking at a map of our travels (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/extras – bottom of the page). It helps you visualize where we have traveled when. It makes us tired just looking at these maps! We are also thankful for the privilege God has given us to serve in this way.



RSS...WHAT?

For those of you who know what RSS is and have been following us via RSS, you will need to add another link to your RSS reader. Our new RSS link is <http://www.CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/feed>.

WHAT'S NEXT

We are about to start a two-month long circuit (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/itinerary). Please pray for our health and our ministry. We are at a critical time here in America. We have the opportunity to get busy plantg more churches and spread the gospel. But if we fail to give attention to this need, we may lose our spiritual heritage much sooner than we imagine. Katrina and I are thankful that we can travel and remind churches of their need to focus on U.S. Church Planting.

CALIFORNIA QUOTES

"This, then, is California in 1948, a century after the gold rush: still growing rapidly, still the pace-setter, falling all over itself, stumbling pell-mell to greatness without knowing the way." (California: The Great Exception, 1949, A.A. Wyn, New York)

For more quotes like these, see our California Quotes page (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/california-quotes). California sure has given us a lot to talk about, but I think it is helpful for us to stop and think about California beyond the common labels that are passed around. This also gives us a window into the strategic need for churches in California and the spiritual need of the state.

GOD'S PERFECT TIMING

The last three months have been very close for us financially because we have not had as many invitations to present our ministry. This last month, we had to take some money from savings to pay our bills. We were thankful for God's provision and just figured that God would provide sometime in the future so we could repay our savings. A few days later, we found out that we received three unexpected donations! These donations totaled up to almost as much as we had just taken out of savings! We trust you will be encouraged by this! Praise the Lord!

WHY ROSEVILLE, CA? WHY CALIFORNIA?

Check out CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/extra to learn why we chose Roseville to start a church.

PICTURES

We tried to take a few more pictures this month (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/newsletters).

Looking to Jesus,

Nathan Bate

On behalf of the team (CaliforniaChurchPlanting.com/team)

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ITINERARY

October 2, 2011

Bethel Baptist Fellowship
Brooklyn, NY

October 3-7, 2011

Traveling to California

October 9, 2011

Manor Baptist Church
San Leandro, CA

October 16, 2011

First Baptist Church
Pinole, CA

October 23-28, 2011

Faith Baptist Church - Missions Conference
Folsom, CA

October 30, 2011

Canyon Springs Baptist Church
Las Vegas, NV

November 2, 2011

Pear Park Baptist Church
Grand Junction, CO

November 6-9, 2011

Westgate Baptist Church
Spartanburg, SC

November 18-20

Bethel Baptist Church
Havana, FL

December 4, 2011

CrossRoad Baptist Church
Buckeye, AZ

December 4, 2011

Evangelical Church
Phoenix, AZ

January 8, 2012

Calvary Bible Church
Westport, MA

January 15, 2012

Grace Bible Church
Dracut, MA

January 22, 2012

The Bible Church
Port Washington, NY

January 29, 2012

Calvary Baptist Church
Lima, OH

February 5, 2012

Southwest Community Bible Church
Parma, OH

February 12, 2012

Hope Baptist Church
Hope, MI

February 19, 2012

Bethany Baptist Church
Grand Rapids, OH

February 26, 2012

Community Bible Church
Norfolk, NE

March 18, 2012

Faith Baptist Church
Reidville, SC

March 25, 2012

Westside Baptist Church
Martinez, GA

