



# THE VAN ZANDT FAMILY

## Church Planters to Rhome, Texas

*Love God. Reach People. Send Laborers.*

Dear Pastor & Friends,

In the past couple of months we have seen the Lord work in many different ways! We are overwhelmed with His continual goodness to our family and ministry. We are reminded in Psalm 107:1 "O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever."

During the month of August big things began to happen for the church plant in Rhome. My Pastor had a meeting with the city to do a walk through with the inspector to make sure the building was suitable for church purposes. We finally received the good news that it would in fact be able to be used for church services! On August 17th (just about two weeks after the inspection) we were finally able to get the keys to the building. We will be leasing this building for two years, and we have a one year option after the two years is up! This building has the space to have three classrooms, two bathrooms, and a large area for a Sanctuary. Although, this process has required a lot of waiting and praying, the location of this church plant could not be any better! This building is on the main street of Rhome and is about a mile off the exit from Highway 287. The property is between the Post Office and Pharmacy in Rhome which are both well known landmarks for the city.

The month of September was also full of activity for Antioch Baptist Church. At the beginning of the month I had the great privilege and honor of filling two pulpits as well as presenting at a church. (One of these churches [Rockwall Baptist Church] is currently looking for a Pastor. Would you please join me in prayer that they will find a man of God to Pastor this wonderful church?!) In addition to preaching and presenting, the month was full of prepping and working to get the building ready for the first worship service in our Soft Opening! There was a lot of work that needed to happen for this building to become suitable for our services! We cleaned, scrubbed, painted, mowed, trimmed, moved, and (most importantly) prayed to get the building done. We personally want to thank the many sister churches and individuals who have been giving to see Antioch Baptist Church thrive in its early stages! However, I want to specifically thank Heritage Baptist Church for gifting us 75 chairs that we are using for the sanctuary. Likewise, Thank You to Countryside Baptist Church for moving the piano and cleaning our windows. We want to also thank Central Baptist Church in Denton and CBC in Chico for blessing us with hymnals and a soundboard! My family and I are so incredibly thankful for Antioch Baptist Church Planters. We can honestly say that we would not have been able to get the building ready in time for us to have services without the help of this team. In addition to this team, if it would not have been for the help from my in-laws, the building would not have gotten decorated or updated in time. Likewise, we want to express a special thanks to Bro. Daniel Barker and Bro. Lee Davis for making sure the building was suitable for services!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Opening

February 27th is the Grand Opening.

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### Health

Health for the whole family.

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### Services

That each service will be Christ-centered.

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### Remodel

That we will receive funding to remodel the building.

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### Get Acquainted Meetings

These meetings will be held February 20-24.

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