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Dear Pastor and Church,

We have been back in Cornwall for 6 months and the time has flown by. We believe we are settled in and back in our life routine. It has been an amazing and unusual summer here in England. Most days it is sunny and warm and has been for over two months. There was a summer similar to this back in 2003 when we first arrived but this has been a special treat. It seems strange to say that we could use a bit of rain. These words are seldom spoken here.

The work here continues to do well. We had a stretch of 3 or 4 weeks where several large families visited. When you run 25 or 30 on a regular basis and a family of 10 shows up you get excited. Most of the visitors were not from our immediate area but are prospects for when we start another work in western Cornwall. We even had Prince William and his family join us for a service. Prince William from Ireland, his wife and 7 kids. We feel after being back 6 months that we have reconnected with the people and are ready to make some advancements in the work. "It is hard to push a piece of string" is a saying in these parts and it describes the people very well. Patience is key and allowing people to get used to ideas before you implement them is essential. We have learned this from experience. Wisdom comes from experience and experience comes from lack of wisdom.

We are doing great health wise. We do find things changing as we age but praise God for the blessing of still being able to get up and go. We celebrate our 32<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary in a few weeks and wonder where the time has gone. God has been very good to us.

Thank you for your help keeping us here!

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