



# Mark and Hannah

Jenna, Josiah, and Jessie

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Church Planters to Boulder, CO

## APRIL MINISTRY REPORT

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Dear Praying and Financial Partners,

We are rejoicing in the Lord's work at Boulder Valley throughout the month of April. We continued to have first time visitors, and we saw recent visitors grow in faithfulness. We had over twenty each Sunday in the month of April, and we saw an increased attendance at our midweek service. We spent many hours over the last month following up with visitors, hearing their testimonies, and sharing the Gospel with those who are unsure of what they believe.

Marissa grew up in a nondenominational church, but never had a clear understanding of the Gospel. When her mom came to Boulder for a visit, they visited our church for the first time. Hannah has met with Marissa twice, and we have shared the Gospel with her, but she has not yet trusted Christ as her Savior. She is admittedly trying to figure out what she believes. In our first few years of ministry in Boulder, we have learned there are many people who grew up in church without ever really understanding the Gospel. When they go to college, they leave their faith behind, and, eventually, life brings them to a place where they are returning to their roots, seeking truth and meaning in life. It takes grace and patience when sharing the Gospel with them. Our passion is to see people like Marissa trust Christ, but we must love on them and be patient with them as they consider the truth.

Noah was in a similar situation as Marissa. He grew up in church as well, but had not understood nor believed the Gospel. When he moved to Boulder three years ago, he got wrapped up in the wrong crowd and involved in the wrong things, and it brought him to his end. He began revisiting his faith, came to church, and through the preaching of God's Word, Noah came to understand the Gospel, and he trusted Christ as His Savior! Noah then followed the Lord in baptism, and has begun to share the Gospel with his friends, and is getting involved in the ministries of the church.

Vi (pronounced VEE) recently moved from Florida, and lives just down the street from our church. When she saw our sign, she decided to stop in for a visit the week before Easter. She only missed one service since, and Hannah was recently able to meet with her for dinner. She learned that Vi grew up in the Catholic church, but had not attended faithfully for quite some time. Before she moved to Boulder, she began going to Catholic church every opportunity that she could, and when she moved here, she knew she needed to keep that habit. Although she had never been to a Baptist church, because she has no car and we are just down the street, she decided to try it out. Hannah had the opportunity to share her own parents' testimonies and how they were saved out of the Catholic church, and she presented the Gospel to Vi. She has not yet trusted Christ, but we are praying for the seed that was planted to continue to germinate in her heart and bring her to salvation.

Hannah was also able to meet with Tracy who visited for the first time last fall. Tracy has experienced much hardship, and Hannah was able to show her the love of Jesus. She shared the Gospel with Tracy, and, while she believes in God and believes in Jesus as a person, she has not yet trusted Him as her Savior. So please continue to pray for Tracy's salvation as well.

We recently met with Natalie, who is a CU student and has been attending since September. She recently began speaking to Hannah about church membership, and she is prayerfully considering joining the church and serving in ministries.

We are thrilled with the way the Lord has been opening doors, but we realize there is still much work to be done. Please continue to pray for hearts to be opened, for souls to be saved, and for Boulder Valley Baptist Church to be a light for the gospel that pierces through the darkness of our city. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support of our family and Boulder Valley Baptist Church.

For Souls in Boulder,

Mark, Hannah, Jenna, Josiah, and Jessie Martinez

Prayer Highlights

### Salvation

Kokila Lynsey Norma Tracy Derek Vi Hector Dulce Marissa

### Baptism/Membership

David Janie George Terry Mezh Natalie Ryan Sunshine

### Discipleship

Noah John Emilie

### Upcoming Events

Anniversary Sunday – June 9  
First VBS – June 24-26

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