

**Thank you** Grace Church, for the warm welcome! We are settling in slowly and learning our way around the city a little better. We had a wonderful trip moving here last week and we were blessed to have many of you come and help unload the truck and share pizza with us! That meant a lot to us! God has been so good to us! We have seen his hand of protection over our lives and this makes us want to clap our hands for the Lord every time we remember this. I think the Lord has used you for this! Now that I am here in Rice Lake, I am hoping to have some office hours and it would be a great delight to have you stop by and visit a little. If you are comfortable for a home visit, please let me know, I would be happy to come! The weather is getting colder sooner than usual but I know this won't stop us from warming each other's hearts with prayers and good Christian greetings. My youngest daughter Jessie invested a special handshake just for the two of us. It can be hilarious to watch us do the secret handshake. It would warm up your heart! I am hoping to be at church during the week, therefore I will have Morning Prayer, so if anyone would like to join me so we can praise the Lord together anytime from 10 am! You'd be welcome! Recently we learned about Paul the Apostle's wish to go to Jerusalem even though; they knew he was going to suffer there for the sake of the Good News of God's Grace. This made me see a determination to serve the Lord beyond the ordinary. We are called to be active believers who are busy for the purposes of God's Kingdom. What is it that God is calling me to do? That's my question every day! I am hoping it is also for you! This may mean I would think of two or three things to do for the Kingdom of God. For example, I may call someone to encourage them! This is a start. May we discover together each day more ways to serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Father Christian

