



# The Delhotal's to Santa Barbara

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Greetings praying friends!

Let me begin by apologizing for taking some extra time to get this update out. I was waiting to be able to share some exciting news! We finally found out today that we have been accepted to rent a spacious 4-bedroom townhome in Santa Barbara! **We will begin moving this coming week.** This was a huge answer to prayer. We managed to spend a few days looking at what was available for rent in the area. Most of what we were finding were 3-bedrooms that were much smaller and most were significantly more expensive. Most rental management companies require your household income to equal 3x the rent. Needless to say, that is a significant obstacle when you are looking at \$4000+ for rent. I wish I could say that I did not feel any stress or worry during our hunt, but we did have enough faith in God's ability to provide that we kept looking. Finally this 4-bedroom came available for "only" \$3900. We looked at it and realized, that though it may not be as beautiful as some of the other available homes, it would work perfectly for our needs. We doubted that our income would be sufficient, but we applied anyway and impatiently awaited the response. About a week later we received an email that we had been "pre-approved" and if we passed the background and credit checks we would have a home! God worked things out for us to finally move to Santa Barbara! As many of you know, we have been "living on the road" with no real home to go home to. It will be like a double Christmas when we unpack our belongings from storage!

God has continued to bless us with a **full schedule**, though we have left midweek services open in December to facilitate moving and allow us to enjoy the holidays. Since our last letter, we have been in two churches in Kansas, a missions conference in Colorado Springs, a church in Oklahoma, and several churches in Texas before flying to Maine and back to San Antonio. Then we proceeded to work our way to California with a meeting in Clovis, NM along the way. Since October 29, with the exception of a midweek service in Arizona, we have been in California churches, including two missions conferences and a home missions conference and celebrating Thanksgiving at our sending church. Though I don't have space to list them all, I want to say "Thank you!" to all these Pastors and churches for allowing us to present the need in Santa Barbara and for helping us on our way!

We do want to give special thanks for Lighthouse Baptist in Colorado Springs for providing funds for LeeAnne to get much needed and expensive **dental work** taken care of. We will have to make another visit to Texas to finish the job, but we are very thankful to have this need met.

We are also happy to report that we now have around **60% of our needed support**. Since our last letter the following **ten churches have graciously committed to partner with us**: Pastor Rogerson and Emmanuel Baptist in Abingdon, VA; Pastor DiGiacomo and Lifeline Baptist, Haverhill, MA; Pastor Mitchell and Mid-Coast Baptist in Brunswick, ME; Pastor Leinneweber and Rebecca Creek Baptist in Spring Branch, TX; Pastor Peck and Victory Baptist in Beaufort, SC; Pastor Kennard and Cottonwood Baptist in Meriden, KS; Pastor Ruhl and Pleasant Valley Baptist in Chico, CA; Pastor Willis and Victory Baptist in Fresno, CA; Pastor Bottrell and Hunt Valley Baptist in Hunt Valley, MD; and Pastor Serrano and Bible Baptist in National City, CA.

For His Glory,  
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