

# THE BALINGIT FAMILY

## Serving in Halifax, Nova Scotia

### Personal Updates

If you ask anyone in our family, Christmas is our favourite time of year. We had a great Christmas season and were able to spend a lot of time in rest after the busyness that holiday time naturally brings in church. We are thankful that we were even to spend a few days in Ontario to be with our family once again.

As we enter into a brand new year, our family is looking forward to some exciting things ahead. Some of you may have already figured out, but Lord willing in April 2026, we will be welcoming our third child, and for the first time, a baby girl! We are excited to add to our family and are very thankful that so far Grace has had a very safe and healthy pregnancy. Please keep praying for these next few months as we prepare for another big change in our family.



### Ministry Updates

These last few months have been strong reminders for me that God's way is always the best way! As you know, our building project has been on hold since the summer and we haven't really seen any progress in that area for reasons that are really out of our control. Despite what could be discouraging for the church, God opened the door for us to rent out a new space that allows us to do a little more with our ministry. In November, our church voted to take on a new rental opportunity and so far, it has worked really well for us and our people seem to be enjoying having our own space without the restrictions of rental times on Sundays.



*Handing out invites at the Christmas parade.*

At the end of November, our church had a really neat opportunity to be a part of the town's Christmas parade. At first, we were signed up to be a part of the parade but unfortunately, the trailer we were supposed to use fell through which ruled out any chance of having a float. Despite not being a part of the parade, we still were able to set up a station in the crowd where we handed out candy, chocolate, and a few hundred church invitations. We are praying that we will see fruit from this Christmas outreach!

Many of the students that attend our campus ministry went home for the holidays after their semester ended. Just before the official start of the break, one of the students reached out and he had asked to grab coffee with me. We spent a couple hours at a local coffee shop and answered a lot of his questions about the Bible and church. By the end of the conversation, I was privileged to lead him to the Lord and am looking forward to when he comes back to begin investing in his life to see him grow in his faith.

