

*The Lord will guide you always;
he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land
and will strengthen your frame.
You will be like a well-watered garden,
like a spring whose waters never fail.*

ISAIAH 58:11

Joshua & Jessica DeJong

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the DeJong family. It seems like 2022 went by so fast! We had a great first full year of marriage and celebrated our first anniversary in October.

Scotty turned six years old this year, moved on to first grade, read his first book on his own, and lost his first tooth. He got to play in his first season of soccer, receive his first trophy, and was excited to start karate to train to be a ninja. A highlight of our year was going to Disneyland for the first time as a family and watching Scotty try to attack the stormtroopers on patrol in Star Wars Land.

Jessica transitioned nursing jobs this past year out of the hospital setting and took a job on the Twentynine Palms Marine base as a nurse for the childcare center. It was a nice change of pace for her to get out of the high-stress environment of an understaffed hospital.

I continued my education in Christian ministries and started a new job at a water treatment plant on the military base. I was also blessed enough to lead multiple in-home Bible studies for a local church and assist in helping set up outreach events to share the gospel with those in Twentynine Palms.

We have been blessed with an amazing church family which has a heart to serve and share the love of Christ with those around them. We hosted some large church gatherings within our home throughout the year, including a bonfire worship night, a Passover meal and Bible study, and a Thanksgiving dinner for those who couldn't be with their family. God has placed it on our hearts to open our home and make it a place where people can feel welcomed and come to know the love and salvation of Jesus.





We ended our year by being appointed as full-time Christian missionaries with Cadence International, a mission agency that has been serving the US military and sharing the gospel since 1954. We are planning to open a hospitality house ministry in Twentynine Palms, California, to serve and share the gospel and our lives with the military community. We will be spending the next 12–18 months in preparation for the ministry.

We would love to share more about this with you! If you would like to hear more from us, please email us at Joshua.DeJong@Cadence.org and we will be sure to update

you on our journey. We are excited about the adventures and challenges this next year will bring for our family. We ask that you pray for us as we prepare both spiritually and financially with fundraising as we move towards the mission field.

May God bless you abundantly in 2023 as you seek His kingdom first! Please let us know how we can be praying for you and your family this upcoming year.

Love,
The DeJong Family



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