

Hello, we are the Atlantic Fellowship, a small group of families from the UK and East Coast of the United States,

For some time now, one of our families from England has been planning a trip to the United States. Anthony and Lizzie Dixon both have temporary (separate) work projects in southern Utah and southern California this July and desire to use the opportunity to bring their three children along (Will 16, Anna 14, Sadie 11). When they're not working, they want to spend time with fellow Covenant Christians and attend the Grand Junction conference before they return to England. Financially, this trip is not the easiest decision for them on paper. However, generous support has already been offered covering two airline tickets, accommodation in family homes for their stay, and the use of a vehicle. However, we are still short to cover the trip for the whole family. One of our greatest hopes is for their children to spend time with other Covenant Christian youth and make lifelong friends.

Our fellowship has wanted to reach out to see if there are other opportunities to assist in their journey, to include offering practical help in return for any support received, such as:

- Painting and decorating
- DIY and general property maintenance
- Property renovation & repair work
- Manual labor and outdoor projects/gardening
- Projects the whole family can get involved with - cleaning, chores, yard work etc.

Liz is a brilliant creator and has worked in script & media development, editing, consultation, and runs related storytelling workshops, while Anthony has over three decades of experience (and the calloused hands to prove it) building and renovating homes and apartments. We are hard workers and would have joy performing this labor while having the opportunity to meet fellow believers. If you or any of your neighbors are looking to get that long awaited project done, we would love to hear it. Several of us are traveling to the area in July and would pitch in alongside the Dixons to help. We want to be clear that this is an "all of fellowship" effort and offer, with some flexibility in the July dates (mostly centered around mid-July and the conference).

It is important to our fellowship that no one feel an obligation to contribute financially to this trip. We recognize there are innumerable needs around the community that we don't know about, but we wanted to reach out in case there is the right opportunity which otherwise would pass by unless we asked. We have spent weeks as a fellowship discussing this matter, and through mutual agreement and by unanimous decision, have elected to write this letter addressed to the group at large.

Sincerely,
Clarke, Dippold, Dixon, Norton, Savage

PS from the Dixon family:

We are very sensitive that a trip like this might seem unnecessary, but to us it is invaluable at this moment to have our children fellowship with other youth in these formative years – an experience they have never had in the years since we left the LDS church. If anyone feels inclined to support the trip, we only ask that such a decision comes after consideration and prayer, in unity with your family or fellowship. We would rather not come than be any kind of mental, emotional, or financial burden on anyone.

With love and gratitude,
Anthony & Lizzy

PPS from all of us:

We would also love opportunities to virtually meet you (we use Zoom) and get to know you better, please reach out to coordinate (jfdippold@protonmail.com)