

Van Winkles to Turkey

May 27, 2025

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

This letter is to announce our formal resignation from Vision Baptist Missions effective June 19, 2025. This decision was not made lightly, but was made after much prayer. For many months now we have been waiting on an answer about our visas. After being denied for the third time, we realized the door in Turkey was closed to us for full time ministry. We do not know why, but believe our openness and boldness may have played a part in our visa denials.

Once we realized the door in Turkey was closed, we began to pray and ask what our next steps should be. God has not given us any clarity or peace about stepping into ministry in another country or to a ministry in the States. We believe that God would have us take a step back from full time ministry at this time and just serve in the church we have been attending for the past year.

We believe it wise to step back and serve where we are and let God open doors in the future for us. We ask you to pray as we step out and look for secular jobs and all that this will involve.

We want to thank each and everyone one of you over the past 10 years for your faithful prayers and support! Without you, souls would not have been reached in Turkey. We were able to see several things translated, put into print and given out during our time in Turkey and countless 100s of people heard the gospel for the first time, as well as several folks coming to Christ. Thank you for the part you had in getting the gospel to Turkey.

We are thankful for the past 10 years we have been able to serve and be a part of Vision Baptist Missions. We will miss being a part of the organization, but are thankful for all that has been poured into our lives over these years.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brady and Sarah'.

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