



University Baptist Church and Baptist Housing Ministry

Dear UBC-BHM alumni and friends,

Greetings from the University Baptist Church and the Baptist Housing Ministry! Here's a brief note about two of our students, Ruben Hortensius and Kate Saeva, who have recently been baptized at the University Baptist Church. Please tell any alumni, friends and family to visit <http://www.uofibaptist.org/News.html>, where they may sign up for our e-mail list and receive updates like this. Thanks!

Sincerely,

Danielle Beard, Advancement Coordinator

Ruben Hortensius is from Chestertown, on the eastern shore of Maryland. His family originates from the Netherlands. He is finishing up his M.S. degree and will be entering Illinois' Aerospace Engineering Ph.D. program this fall.

As for his campus activities, a large amount of his time is devoted to his academic research, but he enjoys various hobbies as well, including college basketball, whittling, and road biking. He also spends a lot of time with his fiancé, Rebecca. This summer he has been involved in Wednesday evening worship and the UBC softball team.



Ruben notes that the University Baptist Church was the first church that he attended since school started where he immediately felt at home. He says that "UBC has given me a great church home while on campus. I have enjoyed great fellowship here and I ultimately felt so comfortable that I decided to publicly profess my faith in Christ with baptism a few months ago." Afterward, he testified to the deacons regarding his faith in Christ, and became, for the first time in his life, a church member.

Kate Saeva is from Bulgaria and came to Urbana-Champaign to do a Master's degree in Accounting Science, which she completed in May of 2011. She is a member of the Accounting club, a Phi Kappa Phi honor society. She also volunteers with UBCers at the Wesley Evening Food Pantry, and has been involved in UBC Discipleship Groups, Triads, and a variety of church mission projects.



Kate did not grow up in a Christian family. She became a believer in Jesus while at college in Bulgaria. The recommendation of two missionaries there brought Kate to the University Baptist Church, where she has responded to the call to be baptized, and to become, for the first time, a church member.

Kate notes that "UBC has been a real blessing for me. I think it is a community transformed by the Spirit of God and blessed with true love and fellowship. I have found great friends and spiritual support here." She is currently taking the CPA exam, and will soon move to Chicago to work for a leading accounting firm.

UBC is thankful to be a church where God calls young adults to faith in Jesus Christ, followed by baptism, and learning the blessing of church membership.

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