



The Johnsons

In

South Africa

Ministry Update

**March - April
2018**

Prayer Requests:

- ◆ People to be saved
- ◆ Safety/Health of our family
- ◆ More workers for ministry
- ◆ SRBI students
- ◆ Hope Baptist Church—to be strengthened and to grow
- ◆ Property for the Church
- ◆ School Ministries
- ◆ Furlough Ministry / Travels
- ◆ Increased support/ Ministry Needs

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**"To give light to them
that sit in darkness and
in the shadow of
death..."**

Luke 1:79

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

*The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever:
forsake not the works of thine own hands. - Psalms 138:8*

The last few months have been very busy as we continued to travel and report to churches. We are so thankful for God's protection, safety, provision and many unexpected blessings along the way. God supplied the funds for us to purchase a number of books and materials for the institute and ministries, gave us 100,000 tracts (in a surprising way) that we had been praying for, and worked through a fellow missionary shipping a container back to South Africa, to graciously allow us to add the tracts and literature to ship along. Then God worked through Greater Vancouver Baptist Church to help us in purchasing new computers and Willamette Valley Baptist Church to purchase school curriculum and water filters. These were both very large needs that we had been praying about and it was encouraging to see how God provided. We truly serve an amazing God!

We arrived back in Canada for our last few meetings, and were busy with many appointments as well as packing to return home to South Africa. While it has been a joy to present the ministry and challenge people to love God and put Him first in their lives, as well as spend some time with family and friends, we were all eagerly looking forward to boarding an airplane on May 1st to begin our journey home.

As we arrive home, we earnestly covet your prayers. The longer we serve the Lord, the more we come to value the prayers of God's people, and while there have been many encouraging moments, they have not come alone. We have had and are still facing many discouraging events and circumstances along the way and upon landing in South Africa there have already been new challenges and decisions that are pressing. But in spite of Satan's opposition, we are glad that we serve the one true God who has all power and both hears and answers prayer.

Please pray with us specifically for:

- 1. Spiritual wisdom and strength as we settle back into life in South Africa*
- 2. Several important unspoken requests in which we require God's wisdom and guidance*
- 3. The health of our parents in Canada and the US*
- 4. The young people in South Africa that we have been working with, that they will continue to follow the Lord faithfully, and that in the coming years we might see them set new examples by marrying in God's will.*
- 5. That God would provide a permanent meeting place (property) for Hope Baptist Church. We have just learned that very soon we will have to move from where we have been meeting. Pray especially that God would give us favour in the sight of those in our city council and planning departments as we seek a place to meet.*

Thank you for keeping us in prayer!

Gratefully Serving the Saviour,

The Johnson Family

Jeremy, Rebekah,

Titus, Tanner , Tayden & Tianna

