



The Johnsons In South Africa

Ministry Update September - October 2022

Prayer Requests:

- ◆ People to be saved
- ◆ More labourers
- ◆ Safety/Health of our family
- ◆ SRBI students
- ◆ Hope Baptist Church—to be strengthened and to grow
- ◆ Building Plans and approvals for Hope Baptist Church
- ◆ Financial support for SRBI
- ◆ Youth Camps –December

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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,

It is good to be home! While we enjoyed our time back in North America with family and friends, there is nothing like being home. We arrived back in South Africa on September 1st and eagerly began to unpack and return to life and ministries here. There were some quick adjustments from our North American travel as the country has started rolling blackouts due to a shortage of electricity and the water has also been off frequently due to infrastructure problems. But this is part of life here, and it makes us appreciate the days when everything is working properly.

Solid Rock Baptist Institute is doing well with 7 young people attending full-time classes this term. Bro. Marcus and Bro. Raymond along with Missionary Don Kilmer did a wonderful job of looking after things in our absence. It is a blessing to see the continued spiritual growth in the lives of the students. We are nearing the end of the year and looking forward to having 2 more graduate. **Please pray for all of them that they would maintain their zeal and love for the Lord. Pray also for new students next year and for the needed monthly financial support to continue to train young people for the ministry. We are also excited as two weddings from former graduates are being planned for next year!**

Hope Baptist Church has also done well and grown spiritually in the last number of months. We are thankful for all of the fellow labourers that God has given us here and all of their efforts while we were absent. With the arrival of Spring and warmer weather we are seeing increased attendance in the services and we thank God for what He is doing in the hearts and lives of people. As a church we have begun to pass out a packet containing John and Romans, a church invitation, and several different gospel tracts to homes in the community. It has been a joy to see the church getting involved in assembling and distributing them. **Pray that God would bless and use this tool as we seek to reach people with the Gospel.**

Building project—The site plans for the building at Hope Baptist Church are almost finished the approval process at the municipality. This is a testimony to prayer. Usually they take much, much longer and even the architect is surprised by what God has done. The next step in the approval process will be submitting the final construction drawings. In the meantime, a surveyor will be mapping out the property so that we can calculate what needs to be done to level and properly slope the ground. **In the last few months, God has amazingly provided over 25% of the estimated cost of the building, and we look forward to how He will supply the rest. Please continue to keep this in prayer as we are excitedly looking forward to a building to use for God's glory.**

Family— We are all healthy and doing well and our children are hard at work making up for lost time in their schoolwork. Titus turned 15 in September and my wife and I celebrated our 21st anniversary the end of October. Thank you to all who sent cards and emails. We are so blessed by God's goodness to us. **Please continue to pray for our families permit renewals. They were submitted in February but are still not processed.**

In the next few months we will be having some of the busiest times for our ministry. We have several youth camps, Bible school and holiday outreaches planned. We would covet your prayers for wisdom, strength, and health for our family, but above all please pray that God would use these opportunities to see souls saved and lives changed for His glory.

*Gratefully Serving the Saviour,
 Jeremy, Rebekah,
 Titus, Tanner, Tayden & Tianna*

