



The Johnsons In South Africa

Ministry Update

**June - July
2019**

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
- ◆ Financial Support for SRBI
- ◆ The start of an addictions ministry
- ◆ Visa Renewals

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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,

*And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses,
the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.*

2 Timothy 2:2

Greeting from South Africa. We pray this letter find you well as you serve our Lord and Saviour. The purpose of this update is to share the need we have of raising support for the Bible Institute. With the increase of both students and operating expenses, it is becoming difficult to continue to fund the Institute from our personal support. We are praying that God will provide funds for the Bible Institute without us returning to North America in order to raise additional monthly support.

Since the Lord led us to begin Solid Rock Bible Institute (SRBI) in 2013, it has been a blessing to have facilities allowing us teach and train young people from the Word of God in a Godly environment. The teaching and training they receive enables them to grow in their Christian life, and then to go out and teach others also. We are encouraged and rejoice in the fruit that God is bringing forth. We have graduated 6 young people so far, with another 3 graduating in November of this year. They are all doing well and faithfully serving the Lord. Several of them are in different parts of the country serving in their home churches. It has also been a blessing to see a new example and pattern that is being set for other young people to follow as they consider what God wants them to do.

When we began SRBI, we had a large amount of the funds needed to purchase and renovate the dormitories already saved, and many churches joined in to give and help with the rest of the needs. The operating expenses were minimal and God faithfully has provided along the way. This year, we have 8 students attending full-time and as most are financially unable to pay, they attend on work scholarships that we create for them. There is great unemployment in this country, and part-time jobs are scarce. God has, on occasion, provided small jobs for some of the students to earn spending money for their personal needs, but this is often difficult for them as well. God has always provided and we are trusting Him to increase funds to enable us to better serve Him through this much needed ministry.

We would ask that you pray with us concerning three things:

- 1. Some urgent repairs that are needed on the dormitories (Approx. \$3,000.00)**
- 2. Monthly Support for the Institute-We are praying for \$1,500.00 per month**
- 3. Funds to build a small 2 unit building to provide housing for the young man who is teaching full-time in the Bible Institute, and to provide accommodation for guest preachers who come to teach module classes.**

We are asking churches and individuals to prayerfully consider helping financially with the continuance of Solid Rock Bible Institute by monthly support and/or help with funding the needs of repairs and building expenses. We ask that you would pray along with us that God would provide these needs and that young men and woman would be trained to serve Him for years to come.

As a family we thank you for all your prayers, encouragement, love and support. We are blessed to partner with each of you as we serve the Lord here in South Africa.

Gratefully Serving the Saviour,

The Johnson Family

Jeremy, Rebekah,

Titus, Tanner, Tayden & Tianna

