



The Johnsons In South Africa

Greetings from South Africa,

January - February 2026

We would like to open this update by thanking each and everyone of you for your prayers, love, and financial support. God has blessed us with such wonderful churches, friends and family that faithfully uphold us and the ministry in prayer. We truly thank you for all you do for us and we thank God for the privilege of allowing us to partner with you to see the Word of God go forth here in South Africa. We never take for granted the health and safety that He has given and we know that it is because many are interceding on our behalf. We will never be able to say how much our hearts are encouraged and blessed by each of you. Thank you so much.

It seems like just last week it was the beginning of January, but it is already now the middle of March. Our weather has started to turn slightly cooler as we enter into our Fall season. Our family is well and we are busy with many things both in ministry and family life. The kids are back to school, Tanner is in Grade 11 and Tayden and Tianna are doing Grade 6. Titus is taking Bible institute classes as he prays about what God would lead him to do in his life.

January began with our Holiday Bible School at Hope Baptist Church, and God blessed in a great way. We had over 800 children enrolled as well as over 90 youth attending a separate time in the evening. Several children and youth trusted Christ, and many others listened attentively as the gospel was preached. A majority of those saved were in their early teens (12-14 years) and they have been attending HBS for several years and hearing the Gospel and were ready to accept Christ as their Saviour. On our Sunday morning closing program, many of the children brought their parents, and it was a great opportunity to be a light and witness in our community. We are thankful for Bro. Bill Smith and all the time and help he contributes to this week of ministry. We were also encouraged by our youth and young adults who committed to helping and the amazing job they did each day in working with the kids. This was the first year that the building was mostly functional, and it was a tremendous blessing! It was probably the easiest Bible School we have ever had.



In February, our Bible Institute resumed classes. We have 1 young lady completing her 3rd year, and 2 young men attending their 1st year. Please pray for many of our Bible Institute graduates as well. Pray that God would provide good jobs, or ministry opportunities, as these young men and women move forward with marriage and establishing Godly homes. They are all first generation christians, and there are enormous family, cultural, and logistical battles they each face. Later in the month we were excited to have Pastor Doug Wood, our Missions Pastor, from Harvester's Baptist Church and his daughter come to spend about 10 days with us. They were a blessing to our family and we enjoyed our time of fellowship together.

Both churches are doing well and we continue to see much spiritual growth and love for the Lord. We are working toward completing a few projects at Hope in order to apply for the final permits needed from the municipality. We think we are left with about \$10,000 still needed for the occupancy permit but God continues to provide the finances just as we need it and we are so grateful for all that He has done.

Gratefully Serving the Saviour,

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"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death..." Luke 1:79