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Hi Friends,

Back in the U.S.A.

We have had three weeks of hectic busyness since our return to the US. We feel kind of like the Turkish “Whirling Dervishes!” Two weeks ago, our daughter Karissa graduated from Bob Jones University with a BA in Biblical Counseling. On the Monday following graduation, she was offered a full time position with Miracle Hill Recovery Center as a Transition Counselor and full time Case Manager. It is a compliment to her, that even with no experience for the job; they still offered her this important position. She will begin this new adventure at the beginning of June.



Brent and Landry have been involved in putting together a short video that gives an overview of our present ministry and goals for the future. You can view the report by clicking: <https://youtu.be/gWQVvmGHOZw>

Having transportation while on a furlough is a very great need for a missionary. On every furlough we have had, God has always been faithful to supply this need. God is still “batting 1000%!” He used a lady who attends one of our supporting churches to meet this need! He has also provided a second car through some dear friends of ours, that we are also using. God is so good!

News from the Field

Unfortunately, we have received several threads of bad news from South Africa.

One of our National Pastors informed us that a long term member of the Mayville Church and a key woman in the ministry has decided to leave our fellowship. Apparently, after all these years, she now believes that we are wrong to be assembling on Sundays to worship the Risen Lord! We are also wrong to be celebrating special days like Easter and Christmas! (Sounds like “Itching Ear Syndrome” to me! Heart-breaking!)

We also received the disturbing information that the roof and side curtains of our two pole revival tent were stolen last week! We have used this tent so many times in past ministry and were planning to use it to begin services at the new Inanda Church plant upon our return in August!

Finally, we heard that Landry’s dog keeps jumping (climbing) the fence to get out of our yard. She is going over to the neighbors to visit their dogs! She also gets super excited when the monkeys come around and then climbs over the fence to chase after them. We are very concerned because there are many poachers who set snares out in the bush around our neighborhood. Our neighbor’s dogs have been caught several times in them.

Special Prayer:

Meetings - Although we did not come over first and foremost to report, we are making trips to Virginia, Indiana and Illinois, Montana, and Texas. Please pray that the Spirit of God will work in the hearts of those who hear.

Lost Ministry Support - Over the past three years we have lost a little over \$2700 a month in ministry support. However, over that same time, our ministry and the expenses that go with it have grown. We are asking God to lead us to new ministry partners that we can present our ministry to on a proper furlough in 2019/20. Please pray with us that we will knock on the right doors, even during these next couple of months while we are stateside, to develop good contacts.

Replacement of stolen tent.

National Leadership - Please remember to pray for our national leaders during this time in the U.S. The Devil is already sending some challenging trials their way.

We are very grateful for your steadfast loyalty and partnership with us!

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As an addendum to the video report on our ministry, we wanted you to be aware of the spiritual and physical needs we currently are facing in order to further our ministry goals. Some of the needs are critical and urgent, while others might be not necessarily needs but would certainly be a blessing to see God supply.

Special needs related to our churches:

Inanda - Upon our return to South Africa in August, we will be stepping out by faith to begin a new church plant. We have already purchased property and will set up our tent to hold services at the beginning.

Items needed for immediate ministry:

- Plastic chairs,
- portable generator (\$250 already given towards this)
- Trailer to transport tent and chairs until storage house can be built.
- Tent and side curtains to replace the one stolen this month.

Eventually, we need to build or purchase a small house that we can use for storage of the tent and chairs and give a place where a person can stay to keep an eye on the property. We will need to also pay for electric and water connections to the property.

Mayville - This church desperately needs property to build a building. For many years the church has hired a community hall. This is affordable and adequate but unfortunately it is hired on a week by week or event by event basis. So many other churches, organizations and couples who need a wedding venue are now seeking to use it.

When the church is unable to use the Hall, there is a nearby school classroom that the church also rents on a monthly basis. The room is too small for the church but the people squeeze into it as best as they can. Sunday school ministry then, is unable to be held, due to the lack of space.

There is also another problem with using the classroom. There is another church that meets right above us and to the side of our church. There are times when you can't even hear the preaching or testimonies because of the other services going on at the same time.

UYaya - We need \$1,500 to finish the block work and put a roof on the National Pastors home.

The one side of the house will also serve as a meeting place for the church until such time that we can build a separate church building. **This is an urgent matter.**

Further funds are needed for sand and cement to plaster the walls and to run the electric cable and plugs. A second hand generator would also be a great blessing until funds are gained to pay for an electric connection.

Water tank(s) - There is no running water in this area and so all the water is either transported in and collected at community water tanks, or is gained by saving rain water. A water tank would be a very welcome gift to the Pastor and his family.

Personal Needs - Since our last furlough we have lost \$2,700 in monthly support. This is placing a real bind on what we are able to spend on ministry in the various works. It has also greatly challenged us in our personal livelihood as we have had to use personal funds to fund the ministry.

Second hand car - One final prayer request that is not a pressing need but is rather a strong desire of ours. We would love to purchase a reliable second hand car. With the loss of support that we mentioned before, we sold our second car to reduce expenses and to help one of our national leaders who now has 5 kids (baby twins) to transport his entire family safely.

We do not mention any of the above items to make any of you feel pressure to meet these needs for us. That truly is not our purpose in sharing them with you. We make you aware to ask you to join us in prayer, in the will of God, for these things. 1John 5:14.

If they are true needs it is up to God to supply them. If He does not supply and we have prayed, then it simply is not His will or it is not His time.

Thanks for caring!

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