



But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.
Luke 8:15

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Dear prayerful partners,

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Family news, souls saved, project news and Srey's good news.

Laura just returned from a visit to the States to visit her ailing mother Phyllis Bernstein. Her Alzheimer's and dementia have progressed, and her physical health is failing due to an unreparable heart valve, causing lung infections and liver problems. Phyllis will turn 90 years old this month. Laura's burden was to help look after her mother; making a move to assisted living, helping with family decisions and looking after her stepfather Bill Bernstein. In her four-week trip, she was able to help do this and more. Please continue to pray for Laura as it is hard for her to not be there and hard to not be here as well. Thank you to each of you that blessed her and encouraged her while she was there.

KYB (Know Your Bible) Club was handled wonderfully at both Legogote and Calvary Baptist Churches primarily by the members of Legogote Baptist Church. They ran a three-day program at both churches last week, seeing so many children receive the Lord as their Saviour. Brother Abednego headed up the programs with Mrs. Thando Nkosi assisting in planning, organization, signups, puppet script and direction.

The construction on the New Hope Children Center is continuing. Srey Yan Yon has had her visa issued here in South Africa. She will need to apply for a tourist visa in Bangkok at the South African Embassy there to come into the country here to collect her volunteer visa. Please continue to pray for her and her support levels. We look forward to her return from furlough.

The Life-Line Baptist Church and the Calvary Baptist Church in Msholozhi are struggling in the areas of trained leadership and members having a personal burden and ability to win and disciple lost souls. We are asking the Lord to help us to invest more time and prayer in these works, that we would see souls saved and fruit that remains for God's glory. Would you please pray with us, that God will break our hearts once again for the people of these communities, that people will be saved and that saved people will get busy learning, growing and serving in the grace of God.

Laura and I want to thank each of you that pray and invest in the work of God here in South Africa. Holding the ropes is a Biblical term with real missions meaning. Those believers, "... the disciples took him by night, and let him down by the wall in a basket." Acts 9:25, literally saving Paul's life, but to the extent that Paul would be able to escape his enemies and continue the good work of the great commission that Jesus had placed upon him. Your care for this ministry is vital, blessed, and deeply appreciated. Thank you for making this work possible, holding the ropes.

Your servants in South Africa for Jesus' sake,

Richard and Laura Badgett