



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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Laura and I were able to return to the States for the memorial service for her mom who passed into Heaven just shortly after Laura's arrival back here. The travel expenses, car and lodging were all provided for by the Lord in wonderful ways. Please pray for us both and our children in the loss of family. As a word of praise, God has used this loss as a means to impart clarity and distinct purpose in the ministry for us both. She and I are finding joy and depth of love in and for our Lord. His kind, constant and loving leadership is such a blessed comfort in our lives at this time.

Praise God, Miss Srey Yan Yon was able to get a return visa to come back to South Africa to collect her longer-term Voluntary Visitor's Visa. She is quickly serving in areas needed and getting settled back in. There was space for her to teach the last two weeks of September in two Sunday School classes in two churches. Her students and disciples are so happy for her return in answer to so many of their prayers. She is so beloved of them, and rightly so as she lives out her Christian life as an example to them as a young lady sold out completely to her Saviour and His will. Please continue in prayer for her and her needed support.

Three large projects are on my heart these days. Many of you know them: the dormitory and house mother house walls are nearly up and we need to build roofs. Electrical and finishes are needed now too. The Mshadza Independent Baptist Church project has been dormant during the children center construction. As quickly as we can we need to build a tabernacle there and finish the bathrooms. My concern is that there are already children who need the services of New Hope and there is a neighborhood in Mshadza with folks saved and looking for the church services to begin. Would you pray with me for these projects? Each one has potential to make a great impact for the gospel and future generations.

At Legogote two of our young men preached on a youth Sunday. Each one chose and boldly expounded Scripture for the Lord. At Calvary Baptist Church, Brother Cicinio Jorge preached a great message on the necessity of forgiveness from Matthew 18. Abednego continues to improve in his message delivery and is faithful in his studies. Brother Brandon Nkosi from Legogote Baptist Church has asked if he can train to be a teacher. I am excited to see our men have a desire to teach and preach the Bible. Do you remember me writing of a man named Surprise about six or eight months ago? Surprise is faithful in services and his discipleship studies. He is insightful and spiritual in his answers and responses. He has had an occasion on the platform during prayer time during which he was attentive to needs and humble. I love these men. I believe God is answering your prayers. Thank you for praying for these men. Thank you for praying for us.

Your servants in South Africa for Jesus' sake,

Richard and Laura Badgett