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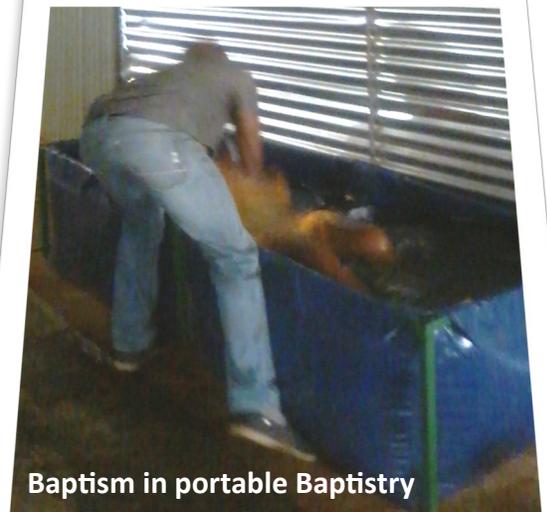
Greetings from a changing South Africa. Summer has passed its midway point for us, with an early morning chill in the air telling us winter is on the way. We also celebrate a new president, who takes over from Mr. Zuma (past President) who was removed from office earlier this year. Please pray our political situation will settle and improve for the benefit of our country over the months to come.

WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL

The World Bible School (**WBS**) office in Austin donated a new double-sided photocopier machine to our office late last year. Due to the increasing postal costs in South Africa, and the inefficiency of our mail system, all introductory lessons would be sent to our local postal box. They would then be processed, scanned in pdf format and a link sent to the Austin WBS office. This method has worked exceptionally well with our training center students. To date, this year, we have scanned just over **3 000 lessons** and sent them to the Austin office. I have also noticed that there have been several lessons included from congregations that help us. This new machine will enable us to scan these lessons and send the courses to the corresponding people/churches. *WE RECOGNIZE THE DELAY ISSUES.* Please continue to study with your students as we are trying to speed up the turnabout time and make it less of a financial strain on many of these students who are struggling with lack of funds. We continue to work and explore how we can locate and manage having drop off boxes placed in strategic areas where there is a high concentration of **WBS** students. Possibly these would also include the resident area of leaders who we are training/ or who have been trained in our centers.

TRAINING CENTERS

In Sebokeng we have **EIGHTEEN new 1ST year students** and **THIRTY 2nd and 3rd level students**. In the other **SEVEN** satellite centers in Sebokeng alone there are a total of **another 80 students** being taught in the maturing/leadership classes. Practical evangelism is stressed as a part of the on-going discipleship. We are still in the process of launching similar centers in Mokwase, an area of the NorthWest province, in Toyhandou, in the Limpopo province and KwaMhlanga, in the Mpumalanga province. We have received numerous, earnest requests to establish centers in the Bloemfontein area of the Free State province, and Lesotho. At times we are awestruck at how God has used this ministry to reach so many in so many different ways. In connection with this we have receive requests to help establish Christian preschools – modeled on the one we established and run in Sebokeng.



Baptism in portable Baptistry



Bro. Mokoena with Youth Team Leaders

In the area of **TSHEPHONG, SEBOKENG**, we now have one of our graduates and young evangelists, **Mokoena** spearheading outreach to those in this growing community. This is phase 2 of a planned 22 phase high density settlement program in this community. Each of the phases has approximately 2000 people living in it. Weekly, on Fridays and Saturdays, a youth team from the newly established church is taken by **Mokoena** into the community to conduct door to door evangelism and hand out WBS Introduction courses. Open air preaching is conducted, the spiritual needs of those attending cared for and people referred to the main center for further studies. The local clinic is visited, and lessons taught, and people prayed for upon request. This is a new area to spread the message

of hope and spiritual healing. During such outreaches the banners, tents and chairs of Reaching & Teaching are extensively used to great effect.

PRE-SCHOOL

Our preschool in Sebokeng is in its 1st semester and has **TWELVE Grade R's** and **TWENTY TWO 4 & 5 yr olds**. It is still a little hectic, especially with the very important chef (cook) **Esther** being on maternity leave. Please do not forget to continue to hold this ministry up to our God in your prayers. **THANK YOU** for those who partner with us financially in this facet of our outreach. We prayerfully ask that you will continue to bless children, their families and the teachers with your financial gifts.

Just last week on my visit to the pre-school I noticed one of our preschoolers from 2016 – **Prince Siqwephu**, at a distance. On enquiring on his schooling for this year, I was told his shocking story. There had been a fire in his small house. His sister and granny died in the inferno, he sustained extensive burns to his face and body. At present he is staying with his mother, but needs counselling as he has many psychological problems to deal with. [If anyone would like to help in purchasing him some clothes, etc., please contact Jeff.



Prince Siqwephu

We greatly appreciate your partnership with us and pray that God continues to BLESS you as He Blesses us. Please keep my wife Cheryl and our family in your prayers as it seems the more opportunities we have the more obstacles Satan puts in our way.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace and the power of the Holy Spirit abound in your life.

