



*Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?
Then said I, Here am I; send me. - Isaiah 6:8*

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BRANCH FAMILY UPDATE

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"Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things." Psalm 72:18. God has truly been doing "wondrous things" here in Kimberley over the past two months in **answer to many of your prayers!**

PERSONAL

We're going to be grandparents!! A few weeks ago, our daughter Tiffany and her husband Thomas shared with us the joyous news that she is expecting our first grandchild, which is due to be born in late August. Please pray for God to give Tiffany and the baby good health and for the needed expenses for Vicki and Anna to fly to the States to help Tiffany during the birth.

MINISTRY

It is truly amazing to see all that God has done in these two months! The best I can do is list some for you:

* We started holding **regular church services** on the first Sunday in January, meeting in our home. Attendance for "Truth Baptist Church" is now **averaging about a dozen per service** with a high of seventeen!

* We've had the joy of seeing **three people saved:**

Delia was saved on a Sunday morning following church services.

Cecil was saved after I gave him a gospel tract in the grocery store and he later called me and started attending services. I met him one day before he went in to work and led him to Christ.

Joshua, originally from Zimbabwe, was saved after he received a Bible from us. His daughter, who works in a local restaurant, had received a Bible and he wanted her to get him and his wife one. He started attending services the very next week and two Sundays ago related to me how he had been raised a Roman Catholic, but since hearing the truth, had renounced Roman Catholicism and had trusted Christ and Him alone for salvation. All three are to be baptized very soon.

* Baptized a lady named **Maxi** who had recently been saved and is now coming to church along with her husband.

* Began **Truth Baptist Institute** on February 7th with two young men, Naude and Wonder. Both have been called to preach and have a desire to plant and pastor independent Baptist churches. I met these young men at the store where we purchase drinking water. In a conversation with them in late December, they wanted to know what Bible I use. When I told them the KJV, they were visibly excited and said **they had been praying for over two years** for God to send someone to this city to start a KJV-preaching Baptist church!! Both young men are faithful to God and have a solid Bible foundation already. We're excited to see God working in their lives!

* We've been **conducting weekly Bible studies in two local high schools**. They are completely voluntary and average about a dozen students each week! Most of them have NEVER heard the simple truths from God's Word regarding creation, salvation and other important Bible doctrines. We are also going to a **local primary school** each Monday morning during their morning assembly to sing songs, read scripture and pray with approximately three hundred students that attend there. What an opportunity for God to impact so many young lives!

PRAYER

PRAY for a church meeting place. People are "shy" about coming to our house for church. We are actively seeking a place among local schools and the few places we may can afford to rent.

PRAY for Naude and Wonder in their Bible training.

NOTE: If anyone, especially a pastor, is not on our email list, PLEASE email me so you can begin receiving our "in-between" emails which go into even greater detail about the ministry.

In Christ's Service,
The Branch Family



Church Services



HS Bible Study