



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**

**SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER, 2016**

A warm (maybe even a little hot!) Spring greeting to all our dear friends, supporters, and co-laborers in the ministry! While most of you are enjoying the cooler fall temperatures and the changing of leaves, we're getting used to warmer temperatures, budding trees, and blooming flowers – in OCTOBER!

**PERSONAL**

Not a day goes by that we don't experience something new and exciting as we serve the Lord here in South Africa. From food and weather, to the driving...every day seems like an adventure. Recently, we took a short trip to an area near the town of Sabie on a **waterfall sight-seeing excursion**. We were able to visit four beautiful falls within just a few hours' time. How beautiful God's creation is! We all had a great time and really enjoyed some important family time together. Who says you can't have fun serving the Lord?!

**MINISTRY**

We have some **exciting news to report** regarding the ministry! Not long after we arrived here, the Lord began to bring our attention to the needy harvest fields all around South Africa. Our eyes and hearts have been opened to city after city and village after village, with populations ranging from between a few thousand to well over a million with **NO** gospel witness, **NO** missionary, and **NO** Bible-preaching, evangelistic church. **We could not ignore this great need** and began to pray for God's leading. Finally, after an intense season of prayer and searching, God is directing our family to **move to the city of Kimberley** to begin bringing the gospel to this needy place. Kimberley is a city of around 250,000 population and serves as the capital city of the Northern Cape Province. We are making plans to move there by the first week of December. We will tell you more about the city and new contact information in the next letter. For now, you may continue to call or write us using our current information. While this will mean new languages and cultures and a change in environment, what will NOT change is the Christ-honoring, proven work of evangelizing the lost, baptizing converts, discipling new believers and training servants for the ministry. I'm glad no matter where we may go in this world, the gospel WILL work if we WILL work it! *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."* Romans 1:16

We are so very grateful to the Badgett family and to the churches here for all the help they have been to us over the past months since we arrived. Please continue to pray for them and for the ministries here. While we will certainly miss the people and ministries in White River, we are excited to follow the Lord's leading into this new field of service.

**PRAYER**

- PRAY** for rain! Recently, we have had several rainy days, but keep praying – we need LOTS more!
- PRAY** for the move to Kimberley and for every need to be met: housing, moving expenses, etc.
- PRAY** for Phillip, a man we met and witnessed to in the town of Ladybrand. We gave him a Bible and hope to follow up with him later regarding salvation and perhaps a Bible study.
- PRAY** for my grandmother, Betty Wall, who was recently diagnosed with stage three colon cancer.
- PRAY** for us and for our families as we spend the first Thanksgiving and Christmas on the foreign field.



City of Kimberley



Horseshoe Falls

In Christ's Service,  
The Branch Family