

# THE *Roberts* TO SOUTH AFRICA

“For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.”

- Acts 13:47

Dear Praying Friends,

August, 2017

The past few months have been busy, and we thank you for continuing to pray for us. The Lord answered a prayer that we have been bringing before His throne for over a year. This past week, all the paperwork was finally signed for the transfer of the Bible Baptist Church property. The transfer attorney hopes to have the property registered in the church's name by the end of this month.

In Elandsfontein, the church recently voted to accept Ntobeko Mkontwana as their pastor. Ntobeko was trained by another Independent Baptist missionary. We thank the Lord that He provided a national pastor for EBC before the Overmillers return to the United States. Please pray that the Lord would enable Ntobeko to move quickly to Johannesburg so that the church will not be without a pastor. He lives about twelve hours away in East London in the Eastern Cape Province. A good job will be necessary for him as the church is currently unable to provide a full salary for him.

Recently, I have been using the Metro Rail commuter train to travel to different areas of Johannesburg. I have had many divine appointments. The Chichewa I learned for our trip to Malawi proved to be very useful since a great multitude of Malawians live in South Africa. Knowing some of their language really opens doors. After witnessing to a Malawian Roman Catholic, I asked him if he had any questions or anything to say. He told me as the train arrived at his destination that he needed to be saved. I have been blessed with other such divine appointments during my train evangelism outreaches.

Please pray for a group of ladies (Angela, Doris, and Nozi) at Bible Baptist Church who used to gather faithfully on Wednesday nights with my wife for a Bible study. More recently, their faithfulness has subsided. They all have testimonies of salvation, but various things of life are keeping them from church.

Recently, Bongiwe called Laura to tell her that she has decided to stay full time at Solid Rock Baptist Institute. This was a big blessing, because she was pressured from her family to pursue a secular career. It is very unusual to see a young person taking such a stand for the Lord. If you would be interested in sponsoring Bongiwe's education, please let us know. Her room, board, and tuition cost about \$100 per month.

As we continue the work of establishing Bible Baptist Church, we ask that you would pray specifically that souls would be saved and especially that families would be reached for Christ. We have seen individuals receive Christ, but BBC still has not seen a complete family trust Christ and join the church. We would love to see that before the end of 2017. Please pray to that end.

Reaching Kempton Park, South Africa for Christ,  
The Roberts Family—Nathan, Laura, Peter, Seth, and Heidi

Prayer Requests: Safe delivery of our 4<sup>th</sup> child any day, salvation of Danny, salvation of individuals and families, safety, spiritual growth in our lives and the church, God's continued wisdom & direction in ministry.

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