

WILHITE'S NOVEMBER 2017 REPORT

Although the **fig tree** shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the **vines**; the labour of the **olive** shall fail...Yet I will rejoice in the **LORD**, I will joy in the God of my salvation (Hab 3:17-18). Commentators suggest that the fig tree, vine, and olive tree represent Israel throughout the Old Testament. If that be true, one wonders if this is what the prophet Habakkuk had in mind when he wrote these verses that close his little letter. Could he have been saying, "Even if the people around me are unfruitful, people in whom I have poured my life, still I will rejoice in the Lord!" I suppose many missionaries could relate to his sentiment. Oh, how vital to focus on, and rejoice in, the Lord even when the people we work with may be unfruitful.

Thank you for your prayers over the recent months. We continue to serve the Lord the best we can where He has us. Preaching, encouraging, providing gospel literature, song leading, singing, and soul winning at area Baptist churches have been among the things we have been doing. Every other weekend we travel to Polokwane to help the two churches up there.

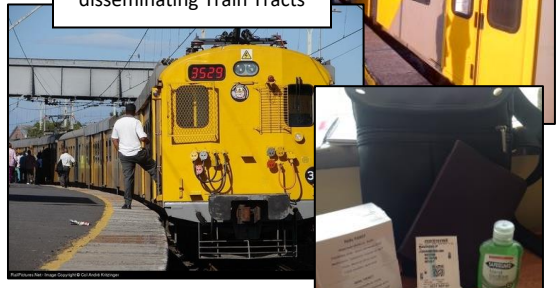
Cassidy, Fiona, Gavin—recently adopted grandchildren by Jon and Selena.



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Riding trains around Johannesburg disseminating Train Tracts



Maria (on your left) recently led her sister Maria (on your right) to Christ. Please pray for their mother, Mrs. Mashimbi (a witch doctor), to be saved!



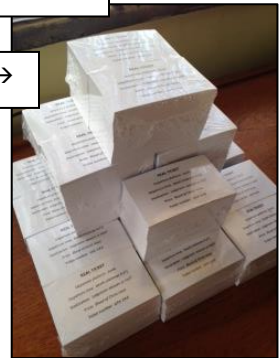
Train kit consisting of ticket, tracts, hand wash, pen/paper to draw scripture pictures, and New Testament



The Lord enabled us to help provide 12,000 gospel booklets to several folks in the Limpopo province.



10,000 Train Ticket Tracts →



Prophecy Conference on short notice. Still folks came from five areas. Jack (19) has heard the gospel for ten years but not yet turned to Christ. He listened attentively though!



Weekly Bible study at soccer school

My mother would have turned 87 on October 2, and this was the first year she was not able to bid me a Happy Birthday. How does the physical birth picture the spiritual birth?

1. **Implantation** of seed—Scripture, 2. **Preparation** before birth—God's unique design, 3. **Complications** are real—conviction of sin, 4. **Regeneration** in time—longer than we want, 5. **Manifestation** to the world—people notice new birth, 6. **Edification**—growth comes, 7. **Transformation** into a unique image—that of Christ's!