



And He saith unto them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."—Matthew 4:19

September 2020

Dear Partners in the Lord,

Thank you all so much for your faithfulness. Your prayers and support mean so much to us and the ministry God has called us to here in South Africa. Ministry has still been pretty much on hold as the Covid19 Pandemic continues to have its effects. We are still not meeting together physically as a church but are seeing signs that things may be starting to move in that direction. While we wait for this to happen, we continue doing ministry anyway we can. We are still doing our church service over Zoom. Our Bible study in the township is being done over WhatsApp. Jim does the Bible study questions and the participants send their answers back to him. Then he sends the audio lesson out the evening of the Bible study. Jim also records a short daily Bible devotional and sends it out daily over WhatsApp. Both Jim and Terry also do one-on-one discipleships over Zoom and WhatsApp.

Our coworkers, Filip and Cal, along with Jim have started meeting with Alec at McDonald's to continue his pastoral training. So, the work of the ministry goes on even though we cannot meet face to face. Jim and Cal also continue to deliver eggs that have been donated to the church along with food, clothing, biblical activity sheets for the children and other things to meet the needs of those in the township. We also have continued to use the churches benevolent fund to help many in need. It is a joy to know that God continues to meet the needs of our people.

Terry recently had another post-cancer follow up. After all the scans and tests, she has been declared still cancer free! We rejoice in this news and are thankful to God for His mercy and grace.

We are also rejoicing at the funds that continue to come in for the church building in Fisantekraal. The remodeling has been on hold during lockdown, but we are soon going to have building plans drawn up so that we can possibly begin construction at the beginning of 2021. We praise the Lord that we have raised about \$10,000 so far towards the funds needed for the building remodel. We estimate that we still need approximately \$10,000 more for the total amount needed to complete the remodel. We also still need to pay back the interest-free loan we were given by Vision in Action Trust to initially purchase the property. Our co-worker Cal Lewis has been able to raise funds here in South Africa as well to go towards these needs. As soon as the coronavirus threat is reduced, we will move ahead with the remodeling project. Any contributions for the building can be made to: ABWE, PO Box 8585, Harrisburg PA 17105 or online at www.abwe.org. Please designate the donations to "Jim and Terry Miller Account No. 013278, Sub-Account 006 Fisantekraal Church Property Project."

We have a repatriation flight booked for September 13, 2020. This will enable us to be at our son Adam's wedding. We are so blessed that this was able to materialize, and we can spend this special time with our family. Jim has also been given the honor to conduct the marriage ceremony.

We also will now be able to do our planned furlough. God has blessed us with a full schedule and Lord willing we will still be able to go to all of the churches that are scheduled as long as the Covid19 pandemic allows this.

Thank you all again for your prayers and support. We count it a privilege and joy to serve our Savior here together with you all, for His glory.

Serving Him,
Jim and Terry Ahlber
Cape Town, South Africa

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