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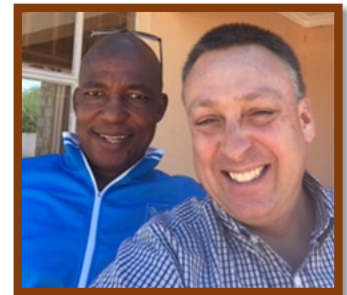
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On Easter Sunday, I had an appointment after church to meet one of our men about 25 minutes outside of the capital to look over the venue for his wedding. God had a "divine appointment" planned as well! I left the wedding venue and drove to a village near there, then took a dirt road that led off into the heavy bush. It was an unplanned for but much needed excursion and I spent an enjoyable afternoon walking about and talking with the Lord. I was in the bush for some hours when another vehicle "happened" by, a truck with three men inside. We stopped for a brief chat and I met Otsile, a 38-year-old man, who was out inspecting some of his property. When I mentioned that I was a Pastor his face lit up with a smile and eyes that had that "I can't believe it's true" look about them. We swapped cell numbers and early Monday morning he called. We met that afternoon and he spoke at length all about his life. His mother is a Seventh Day Adventist and deceased father was a member of the Dutch Reformed Church and in his search for answers Otsile has been reading books written by the Charismatic "prophets", as they like to call themselves. He was nothing short of...confused! We discussed the true gospel extensively. We met again for most of the following Wednesday and again this past Saturday morning. It was then that he trusted Christ as his personal Lord and Saviour! Sunday morning, he made his decision public before the church. Praise the Lord! There are no "chance" meetings with God!



Two churches and one precious lady (Thank you Charlotte!) have given graciously and generously to sponsor the first semester of the Faith Bible Institute. We have 13 students registered thus far and **GOD IS REALLY WORKING** in this endeavor to help us train a generation of national Pastors and lay leaders in sound Bible doctrine. We get so burdened because the Charismaniacs (no misspelling) are dominate in Africa and the Muslims are building all around us. Yet, there is a genuine hunger for truth in the heart of most people, especially the young adult generation. God is gathering in some choice souls who want to know the truth and serve the Lord. If your heart is moved to give towards this effort, please know that it is a worthy investment. **We have enough to start but additional funds will allow us to add several more students in the coming weeks as the Lord provides.** Please designate any gift given for that purpose as *Bible Institute*.

Thank you for praying! The revival and Friend Day meetings were a great success! Each service was well attended with visitors each night and our dear friend and missionary to South Africa, Chad Branch, preached exactly what we needed. Friend Day Sunday saw 109 in attendance and a host of first time visitors. Immediately following the service that Sunday, two of our men, Bro. Branch and myself lit out with our van, the truck and the Word wagon. We drove several hours to Johannesburg, South Africa where we met Brother Radebaugh and his wife who are missionaries to the deaf. Early the next morning we loaded down the vehicles with cases of Scripture and drove several hours more to Kimberley, South Africa where we unloaded at the Branch's house. After some sweet fellowship with the Branch family and a bit of shopping for a new keyboard, we made the long drive back home to Botswana. We were all travel weary but rejoicing together in the synergy God orchestrated amongst likeminded men and our churches to get the Word of God to yet another part of Africa. We're thankful for dear friends who love the Lord, love each other, and love the souls of men!

