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We landed in Botswana ten weeks ago, and are finally starting to feel "settled in". The pace of everyday life and ministry has been relentless but God has given grace every step of the way. We are so blessed that when we're tempted to complain, we quickly remind ourselves to not take for granted what He is doing before our eyes. In addition to our monthly prayer letter, each week we send out a "Sunday Safari" email update often with pics and videos. If you are not on the list to receive it, please write my wife at emailmrscindy@gmail.com to be added.

Church attendance has grown from an average in the 20's to an average in the mid 70's in just six weeks. One month back we relaunched the church on Kick Off Sunday with a new name, **Grace Bible Baptist Church**, a new location, and a new pastor. But we' still preaching the same ole gospel message! Since then, we've had 67 first time visitors with repeat visitors starting to bring visitors of their own. Many have been saved and soon we'll schedule a baptism service. Africa is plagued with Charismatic doctrine and people are literally starving for the truth found in God's Word. Truly, there is a famine in the land, not of bread nor of water, but of hearing the Word of the Lord!

Recently I was out knocking doors and training my partner, Brother Reflex, one of the older and more faithful men of our church. Six doors into an apartment complex we met a 23 yr. old hair stylist named Melanie. She is Motswana (from Botswana) and was raised by her father, a German born atheist. Melanie readily heard the gospel and was gloriously saved. Man did she rejoice! I wish you could have been there. She had to work the following Sunday so that evening we took her a Bible. She met me at the door, all smiles, and said, "Today I asked my boss if I could be off on Sundays to go to church and she said YES! This past Sunday in she walked with TWO OTHERS - her older sister and her male cousin. Earlier that day Cindy and Amantle and I had the blessed privilege to lead Mrs. Magowe to Christ. She has been coming now for 3 weeks, is 51 years old and gave the testimony that she has attended a church since she was a little girl and had never been presented with the gospel before. She felt that she had "wasted her whole life not knowing and understanding God's truth." Brother she's in now! Praise God!

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY - PLEASE PRAY WITH US! Some years ago, the President of Botswana issued an initiative to promote the free exercise of religion in all government institutions and schools calling for one hour a week to be given to religious activities. This has created a wide-open door of opportunity. We have been asked to teach religious education (Bible classes) in both public and private schools with access to literal hundreds of students each week. These schools offer an opportunity to reach a younger generation with the gospel before they are adulterated with false doctrine. From the very beginning, reaching an entire generation has been our vision for the ministry here. But we must have help! I am already preaching each week in two different police departments to over 60 officers and other departments have requested us to come. Recently I spoke at a school to over 600 students - many of whom are Muslim and Hindu. All of them gladly received a copy of John and Romans. In coming weeks we'll begin the campus ministry witnessing and distributing scriptures to the 10k students and faculty of the University of Botswana. Of necessity, I am weekly having to turn down invitations to preach in these places. We simply cannot get to all of them. However, to seize the opportunity in the schools we have decided to add a ministry assistant to our team who will work with Cindy. Together, they will set up an itinerant weekday Bible school class that she'll teach in three or four schools each week. Cindy will be the heart and soul of this ministry and we have been praying much about adding the assistant specifically to help her. In separate circumstances God has worked in the heart and life of a specific young woman whom we had been considering and I believe now is the time to act. When I am at liberty, I'll introduce her through our prayer letter. To sponsor an assistant for Cindy and underwrite this work, we need to increase our support by \$400-\$500 a month. We have five "potential" new supporting churches that, if they choose to partner with us, would completely meet this need. Please pray with us that the Lord will provide as HE sees fit. As we've always done, we are going to step out on faith and commit to the task and I know that, as He has always done, God will provide. We never cease to love you and to be thankful for your love, prayers, and partnership with us.

Brother Mike and Mrs. Cindy

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Mrs. Magowe (Ma-hoe-way) receives Christ as her Saviour!







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