



# The Hammett Family

South Africa

*The people which sat in darkness saw great light; Matt. 4:16*

February 10, 2017

Dear Pastors & Prayer Partners,

We want to express our greetings and our gratefulness to each of you who faithfully support this ministry through prayer and financial support. We certainly live in exciting times, and the return of our Lord truly draws nearer every day. What a privilege and blessing it is to serve the Lord and seek His Kingdom, under the authority of one of His Baptist Churches!

**Remembering.** This coming week marks 12 years of ministry for our family in South Africa. I well remember when we departed for the field for our first term on February 15, 2005. Time has flown by so quickly. When we arrived in Tzaneen we knew not a single person. By the grace of God we have labored to sow the seed, water the seed, and wait upon the Lord to give the increase. As He always has been, and always will be, God has shown Himself faithful to us, and we rejoice at what the Lord has done. We appreciate so many of you that have faithfully supported this ministry and made it possible for us to serve the Lord in this way. Your prayers and support have not gone unnoticed!

**Reporting.** We returned for our furlough on December 8, and have been around our home church for the last 2 months. This time of reconnecting, reporting, rebuilding relationships, and refueling our souls is a very important part of the ministry of church planters. We are grateful for the care of our home church and for the opportunity to serve the Lord here as we prepare to get out on the road and report to our supporting churches. We appreciate your prayers for our family as we adjust to living in a different culture again and try to deal with some health issues that need to be addressed. By God's grace we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on this furlough. We will be in touch with each of you soon, Lord willing.

**Rejoicing.** The ministry in South Africa continues on in our absence. We saw the Lord save and change several people who live in the township of Nkowankowa during this past term. We have been holding services at this location now for the last 4 years. Bro David Moreroa has been taking the oversight of this work and faithfully preaching the Word of God to the faithful who attend each Sunday. Since we have returned to the States, he has been laboring to begin Bible studies with others around Nkowankowa who have never heard the Gospel. Last week, Bro David also met with Bro Lazarus to discuss how to begin some outreach around the village of Sofaya. It is a joy to see these men taking responsibility for the furtherance of the Gospel! There are open doors and there are many adversaries.

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Pray for these believers to grow in their faith, to resist the attacks of our enemy, and to expand their vision to reach out with the Gospel of Christ.

It is our prayer that God will continue to advance His Kingdom and His Cause through each of you that faithfully stand and serve Him. We appreciate so much your faithful sacrifice that enables the Gospel to go forth around the world.

For Souls,

Bro George Hammett

Missionary to Africa

