South Africa

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

July 18, 2017

Dear Pastors & Prayer Partners,

We send greetings to each of you in the name of our Precious Savior! We pray that you are prospering in your service for the Lord, and that you are finding Him to be more than enough to meet your every need! No matter what obstacles we face as we serve Him, we can say with Moses in Exodus 15:2, "The LORD *is* my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he *is* my God, and I will prepare him an habitation."

Traveling the States. We have been in a number of States and churches throughout our travels so far this year. It has been a blessing to reconnect with some of you that we have not seen in such a long time. In June we had the extra special blessing of attending the Preacher's Conference at Van Born Baptist Church in Michigan. We were truly refreshed by the fellowship and the preaching, and were blessed to see many of God's servants that we had not seen in many years. God has blessed us and met our needs through His churches as we are on the road, and we are so thankful. It is humbling to be on the receiving end of the sacrificial generosity of God's people. We are grateful for each of you that have met our needs along the way. We plan to continue our meetings through the end of this year and return to South Africa in early 2018.

<u>Tidings from Abroad</u>. Proverbs 25:25 says, "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." Due to technology advancement, we have been able to stay in better communication this furlough with the brethren back in South Africa. It has been so encouraging to hear of their faithful endeavor to serve the Lord. Bro David is continuing to lead the work that we have begun at Nkowankowa. God has given them opportunities to go with the Gospel into other villages. They have also started to have more Discipleship studies with the core group in Nkowankowa over the past several weeks. Currently they are praying about the possibility of sending Bro David to the neighboring country of Mozambique, with Bro Tiyani, for the purpose of preaching to Bro Tiyani's relatives. It is such a joy to see this young congregation taking the initiative and owning the responsibility to fulfill the Great Commission! Please continue praying for Bro David and his family as they seek to lead this work!

We are grateful for the privilege to serve the Lord and to represent His Gospel to the people of South Africa, on your behalf. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support for our family and the ministry that God has called us to.

For Souls,

Bro George Hammett

Missionary to Africa