

Botswana

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February 3, 2024 – NON-STOP

Hello from Botswana! This letter is long overdue and we appreciate your patience and understanding. We're also working on a new highlight and update video that we hope to send out later this month. After 4 months of non-stop coast to coast travel, reporting to churches in the U.S. and Canada, Cindy and I arrived back in Botswana on December 29 and there literally has not been a moments pause for the past 36 days. Accordingly, the blessings of God have also been non-stop and His unfailing grace has given us the strength needed for this very intense and demanding season. I was reading 2 Corinthians chapter one this morning where Paul said that they were pressed out of measure, above strength, (vs. 8). In vs. 11 he wrote, "Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf." You hold us up in prayer and it makes all the difference! There is so much to thank the Lord for and we thank HIM for YOU! We have needs but I'll leave them as unspoken for now (God knows) as I want this letter to be nothing but PRAISE and THANKSGIVING to GOD! Please, take a moment to pray and give God glory with us. Here are some highlights in a bullet point list of blessings. The abbreviation **PTL** for "Praise the Lord" will save some space.

- **PTL** for safe travels, blessed fellowship and hospitality, new supporting churches, souls saved, and a family surrendered to FT missions service during four months of furlough.
- **Thank you** for a gracious outpouring of love offerings for Christmas. Christmas spent together with our families made this year extra special and we were able to give "above and beyond" to our son Brock and Shane & Emily.
- **BIG ANNOUNCEMENT: PTL** – upon our return home **we were awarded permanent residence status** in Botswana meaning hundreds of dollars and a lot of headaches saved, no longer having to worry about our residence permits being renewed every five years. We're here for the long haul!
- **THREE ADULTS WERE SAVED** in 3 days this past week. The leaders of the church have led well in our absence and the church has grown – glory to God! We have found it "teeming" with folks who are ready to be saved and many desiring to be baptized and added to the church.
- **PTL – The White and the Visscher families arrived safely** with all luggage (and tools) intact, are now settled in, and already hard at work on the **GRACE OASIS PROPERTY**. Both families are a unique blessing and bring A LOT to the table in skill, ministry gifts, and their willingness to serve. Please pray for their safety and productivity. There's so much that needs done! The focus just now is on repairs to the mission house and water supply to the property.
- **PTL** - Monies have been given to drill a new well on the property and, though it's very deep, it's possible that the geologist has found "a miracle" underground convergence of three streams where we can drill. Water is gold in Botswana and good water volume is very rare in Ruretse. Many of the local residents and farmers have to truck it in. How awesome would it be if God allowed us to hit a mother load? After all – with a name like "The Grace Oasis" - Well, I think you get the idea! We're pretty excited about the prospects of extending that grace to the local community and let me tell you that the doors of opportunity that will open for the gospel to be preached and the love of Christ shown are incalculable!!!!
- **PTL** – Ms. Pamela has started the new school year with a full house of 18 students at the Grace Academy Christian School. There is desperate need of a qualified associate teacher that she can train to help her. We covet your prayers for the Lord to raise up and lead us to that "right" person.
- **I want to close this letter with a shout out to Mom Cindy!** I am so grateful for such a hard working missionary wife. When we got home to Botswana she was BURIED with year end admin work that has to be done for both BIMI and the government here in Botswana. After four months "on the road" she had to get us settled back in to the house we're renting temporarily, and had two weeks to get everything prepared for the arrival of two families. I gave her an honorary degree in building and breaking down bunk beds! ALL GLORY TO GOD – but please allow me to give honor to whom honor is due to this amazing woman, an unsung hero, that we all know and love as Mom Cindy!



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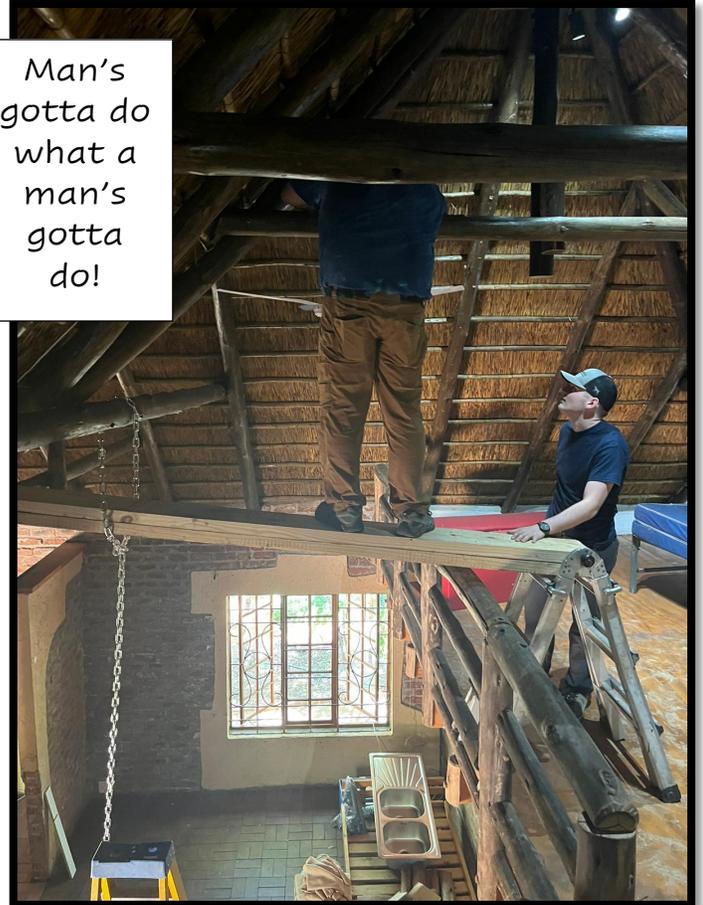
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Saturday Soul
Winning /
Visitation



Man's
gotta do
what a
man's
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do!



Wednesday
services grown
from 11 to 30+



Gideons & Grace
(teen class)
Busting at the seams

