

Hodzi Family News

Harare, Zimbabwe



Prayer & Praise

✚ Pray for CCC in a time of transitioning. Pray for Thomas and Joseph as they pastor the church. Pray for Thomas as he prepares weekly sermons. Pray for us to get to know people well. Pray for Thomas to manage his time during the week well.

✚ Pray for Pastor Tom and his family in Bhuhera. Pray that the peanut butter grinding business would take off and help them as a family.

✚ Pray for the students at Harare Theological College. Pray for Thomas as he lectures.

✚ Pray for the new training sites: Zaka and Budiriwo. Pray for the traveling involved, the hearts of the pastors attending and for God's Word to be heard.

Covenanters Christian Church



Family

We are now entering winter and the nights especially have been quite cold. It's the time of colds and runny noses again. Charis has been growing so much and it's amazing the sentences she's able to put together at 2. Sometimes though she makes us laugh so much like when she's on the potty and cries 'I need some privacy' after you mistakenly open the door. It has been such a blessing to see Aletheia care for Charis. She has such a motherly affection that we only hope continues to grow. The last few weeks though she has been in a bit of pain after an ingrown toe nail was pulled out. Joel has started joining other kids at the homeschool club in learning how to play soccer. He seems to be enjoying the challenge and competition that comes with it. He has also taken up learning to play the guitar.

Covenanters Christian Church

After a couple of months of thinking and praying, my family has decided to move from Central Baptist Church where we had been serving. I have taken up an offer to become Pastor of Covenanters Christian Church (CCC). CCC is a small church of about 50 people that is in Harare, about a 15 minute drive from our home. I have so enjoyed getting to know the elders, some of whom have gone through my classes at Harare Theological College. One of them, Joseph Magwaku, will be serving as co-pastor. You may remember in our last newsletter I mentioned that he had just joined COFIM as well in helping out with the pastoral rural training. It has been such a blessing so far working with him. God has gifted him so much in teaching the truths of God's Word in very simple language. Please be praying for God to protect him and his family and to keep him above reproach.



Pastor Joseph and his wife Lorraine with their 3 kids. Their son Nathan has become a good friend to our son Joel.

New Pastoral Training Sites Open

God has allowed for two new COFIM training sites to open during this month of June. The first is in Zaka, Masvingo, a four hour drive South East of Harare. We have over 50 rural pastors that have signed up to be trained. Pastor Joseph and I will be starting them off with New Testament Survey and Hermeneutics for the next six months. God has also been kind to have COFIM be in partnership with Harare Theological College (HTC) to train a site in Budiriro, a poor suburb on the outskirts of Harare, where 43 students will start off with New Testament Survey as well. We are so thankful for these opportunities to invest in Christ's Church.

Rima Project: Bhuhera

Last month we made a plea for Pastor Tom in Bhuhera who is going through the pastoral training to buy him a peanut butter making machine to help him feed his family. We are so thankful for your giving. We were able to buy the machine for him, a generator to power it (there's no electricity in his area), and 20 liters of fuel to start off his business. He was so thankful and on his behalf, I thank you so much for ministering to him in this way. His wife and son will be doing most of work while he shepherds the flock of God.

How you can help this month

With the site in Zaka opening this month, I asked the pastors at the introductory meeting how many needed Bibles to go through the training. To my surprise almost all of them raised their hands. This was heart-breaking to me. This is an area that is so steeped in witchcraft and in need of God's Word. One Shona Bible currently goes for \$20. We need 50. If you would like to make a special donation apart from your regular giving towards this, please give through our website/by check and be sure to designate it towards 'Bibles.' We will be sure to give you feedback on how the Lord is using your gift.

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Sign up for WhatsApp and let us know your cell phone number to receive frequent prayer request and updates on your phone!

Thank you for being a part of the work God is doing in Zimbabwe and Ghana. Please continue to pray for us and the people here.

We love and miss you all,

Thomas & Dany, Joel, Aletheia,
Charis



Joel and Nathan got to go along on the last training trip to Bhuhera.



Pastor Tom and his family receiving the peanut butter machine.

Thank you so much for your faithfulness in praying for us and supporting us financially. May our Lord who is always near be bless you.

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