

"AND THAT REPENTANCE AND REMISSION OF SINS SHOULD BE PREACHED IN HIS NAME "

January 2023

Dear Prayer Partners,

We send you greetings and prayers for a Happy and blessed New Year in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We greatly appreciate your labour with us in the Lord's work in the Nelson Mandela Bay of South Africa.

We thank the Lord for His blessings in 2022. The beginning of the year saw our first baptismal service and thus the beginning of Love of Christ Independent Baptist Church in Kwanobuhle. We thank the Lord for the several faithful members and their continued growth in faith and in the Word of God.

We have recently had another family visiting/attending with us. I have also been meeting regularly with the husband/father. He has a profession of faith, and thus far has showed a real desire to learn from the Scriptures. Please pray for Him and his family. God already answered one prayer request by giving him a temporary employment position over the December holiday after a lengthy time of unemployment: please pray with us that God would give him fulltime, permanent employment.

2022 also ended with some heart-breaking news. A young lady in the church contacted us from another province where she was forced to flee for her life because sin had led her into a very dangerous situation. We are still processing this news in many ways, and ask that you would pray that the Lord's will be done in her life.

For 2023 we look forward to what God has in store, and His continued blessing on His work here in South Africa. We joyfully anticipate my parents (George and Jackie Wyatt), moving to the area the end of the month to labour with us here in the Eastern Cape! Please pray for them as they once again pack up a life in one area and move to a completely new area in service to our worthy King. We also ask that you continue to pray for the Lord's will considering land and a building for the church. As Bro. Awonke is pursuing three possibilities currently, please pray that we would land in the right place.

For those of you keeping track, you know we have been back in South Africa this term for almost 3 ½ years, so we are taking a furlough this year, Lord willing. We have tickets to arrive back in the U.S. March 29th and we leave again the end of September. We would like to visit as many supporters as possible. I have already reached out to those we were not able to visit on our last furlough as we will prioritize them seeing the furlough time is relatively short. That being said, we will have time and openings for others, so if you know for sure you would like to have us come, please let me know, and if there is a specific time (missions conference, missions month etc.,) please let us know asap, as I am trying to put together a travel itinerary that maximizes our time and minimizes our travel!

Prayer Requests:

- God's protection on His people here.
- Furlough, Safe travels, that we would be a blessing to the Lord's churches.
- God's provision of a Church property in Kwanobuhle.
- The application for visa renewals and permanent residency immediately upon our return to South Africa.

Thank you for your faithful intercession on behalf of the Lord's work in the Nelson Mandela Bay of South Africa. May God bless and keep you.

For His Glory,

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