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South Africa Prayer letter (12/2017)

Dear Prayer Partners,

Similar to other parts of the world, South Africa experienced severe weather in November with strong winds, thunderstorms and hails. This extreme phenomenon resulted in many natural disasters as well as lost lives. In mid-November, there was a news report of a deadly car accident in Bloemfontein. From the description of the accident location and the car model, we knew that the victim was our Sister Su. We met Sister Su when she came to work in one of the manufacturing factories in Botshabelo about 15 years ago. She was not a Christian then. She suffered from motion sickness, and Ko-Ta had to keep his car speed under 10 km/hour whenever she was in the car. Fortunately, we only needed to travel within the industrial area, and she kept on coming to our meetings. We prayed for her illness, and she miraculously experienced God's healing. A few months later, she accepted Christ and was baptized.

After she became a Christian, Sister Su followed Christ whole-heartedly with a genuine faith. She faced a lot of unfair treatments when she started her own factory with her husband. However, she did not harbor any hard feelings but always filled with thanksgiving for God's providence and protection. As many factories left that area, our ministry at that location was suspended a couple years later. Since she was far from Bloemfontein, she was not able to come to church regularly. Nevertheless, her faith remained strong. Whenever we visited her, she received us joyfully. At times we would help her as her translator with customers and labor authorities. It was not easy running a factory, but she never showed any worries or complaints. She always remained calm because God was her Lord and that gave her joy and peace in her heart. Her single-hearted faith was a true testimony of God's faithfulness.

The Western Cape in South Africa produces many different kinds of fruit. The Cape Town church went to pick strawberries in early November. In addition to tasting sweet juicy strawberries, everyone bought some home at half of the market price. This weekend we will be going cherry picking and barbeque. Praise the Lord, these activities let everyone get to know each other better. We are also able to build up relationships with the congregation. This is really the stepping stone for our service to the church.

Recently, a few brothers and sisters started to contact us for counseling. They opened themselves up to us and seek our help. Their trust in us makes us feel privileged to be able to fulfill God's call. We shared with them the lessons we learned; we prayed with them; we

comforted and encouraged them to continue to walk with God. It is exciting to see the downcasted stood up, willing to own up their mistakes, pick up the pieces and walk in faith again. We experience the mercy and mighty work of God in those who are broken and contrite. Please pray for this special need. May the Lord's grace be with them. Please also pray for us that we will speak with words of wisdom from above.

Prayer Requests:

1. May the Lord send more workers to South Africa.
2. Please pray for wisdom for us in counseling those in need in the Cape Town church.
3. Please continue to pray for the preparation and messages for the December retreat in Cape Town.
4. Please continue to pray for the ministries in Durban, Cape Town and Newcastle.
5. Please continue to pray for our safety as we travel to different cities and towns.

In His service,
Ko-Ta & Christina