

the

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Missionaries to South Africa



Hello Churches and praying friends,

We're eager to share some of the exciting things that happened in South Africa in the past two months!

The end of 2025 marked one full year back in South Africa after our first furlough, and it was a full and productive year. This is just a short update to let you know how we ended our year.

While Thanksgiving is not celebrated nationally here, we still like to celebrate at home and with our church, and we think the idea of giving thanks to God is applicable for everyone.

Our church worked for over a month to donate children's gifts for our annual caroling outreach event. It was sweet to see our children and teens giving what they could and finding creative ways (or pooling their money together) to come up with something they could give. On the 6th of December, we took all the gifts and some snacks and went Christmas caroling at two children's homes and a nursing home. Before the singing began I would give a clear salvation plan and many people received Christ that day. We spent as much time as we could at those places sitting with the people, talking to them and getting to know them, and everyone from our church who participated did a wonderful job sharing God's love with those we met. That is easily one of our favorite days of the year.

The day before we went Christmas caroling, we got our bus back after it being out of service for a while for repairs. This was a huge answer to prayer, not only for our church in general, but specifically for that day, as transportation would have been difficult to manage otherwise. Thank you to everyone who prayed with us.

Just before Christmas, we got word that one of the waivers on our visa applications had been rejected and we were four days from being declared illegal in the country. Thankfully, our lawyer was able to work quickly on submitting an appeal before the offices closed for the holiday, so we are back to waiting. At this point, we do not know how long it will take them to process our paperwork and give us an answer, and the answer could go either way, but God knows where He wants us, and we will trust Him, no matter what answer we receive. We'd appreciate your prayers on this matter as well.

We had a candlelight service on Christmas Eve and enjoyed singing Christmas hymns together as a church family. I gave a message about the Christmas story, and we had our kids and teens perform a Christmas nativity play for the first time. One of the ladies in the church sewed all of the costumes, and I built a small stable. Everyone did a wonderful job, and the church really enjoyed seeing the first Christmas acted out.

We also had a New Year's Eve service and let several of the young men preach a short message. It was a blessing! We also enjoyed games and ice cream, and then we went outside to roast marshmallows and light fireworks. It was a fun way to ring in the new year!

With that, we wish all of you a wonderful 2026! We have a lot of visions for the future of Compassion Baptist Fellowship, and we are excited to see some of them come to pass this year. also we have several big community outreach event days coming up and ask for prayer that many souls will be saved and lives touched by the Gospel.

Thank you so much for your interest in our ministry and for taking time to read this and pray for us. We are so very grateful for what God is doing in Durban, South Africa, and we're extremely thankful to you for being part of it through your love, prayers, and support. By the way, if you would like to contact me you can do so by email or by calling my South African number on whatsapp, (+27 078 399 3015). Thank you for reading this update!

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