



The Depew Family

CHURCH PLANTING MISSIONARIES TO SOUTH AFRICA



October 2025 Prayer Letter

Dear praying friends,

The past couple of months have been filled with many blessings and new opportunities. In our last prayer letter, I mentioned the new Bible study we started at a local university. That study has been going extremely well! We meet every Tuesday evening and have been averaging around ten students. Because we weren't sure of the students' spiritual backgrounds, we began by focusing on the gospel. To our delight, several of the students have shown genuine spiritual maturity and a desire to grow deeper in God's Word. Many of them are already attending biblically faithful churches nearby, which has been so encouraging. At the same time, others in the group are not yet believers and are wrestling with the truth of the gospel. One student in particular, Sethu, has expressed a real interest in learning more and has been asking thoughtful questions. Please pray for her salvation—the Lord seems to be doing a special work in her heart.

Our midweek Bible study, where we've been working through the book of Romans, has also been going well. One of the men attending, Alex from Tanzania, comes from a Roman Catholic background. As we've studied Scripture together, he's begun to notice key differences between what the Bible teaches and what he has previously believed. He seems to be at a crossroads in his faith, so please pray for his salvation and clarity as he seeks the truth. Another person you can pray for is Nqobile (pronounced "No-bee-lay"). She lives in our neighborhood and recently joined our midweek study. Though she professes faith in Christ, she comes from an unhealthy religious background and is currently working through what she truly believes. Both Alex and Nqobile have visited our church recently, which was a great encouragement to us.

In August, I had the privilege of attending a pastors' conference in Johannesburg—on the other side of the country. It was such a blessing to meet faithful pastors from across Africa, including South Africa, the Ivory Coast, Zimbabwe, and Namibia. I left the conference deeply encouraged by how God is building His church across this continent. More recently, our church began a series on biblical counseling, focusing on topics like biblical communication, conflict resolution, and forgiveness. I had the opportunity to teach the lesson on conflict resolution and was so encouraged by our congregation's engagement and response. We've also remained busy with various teaching, discipleship, and evangelism opportunities. Please continue to keep these ministries—and the people God has placed in our path—in your prayers.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for the university Bible study – that the gospel would take root in the hearts of the students, especially for Sethu.
- Pray for Alex to come to saving faith as he wrestles with biblical truth, and for Nqobile to grow in discernment and develop a firm, biblical foundation for her faith.
- Pray for our ongoing teaching, discipleship, and evangelism efforts, so that more people would be built up in Christ.

In Christ,

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