

With our van filled with our belongings, we began the 2-day drive to our new mission target in Cape Town, South Africa, on December 18. We arrived safely at our rental house the following day, early enough to offload our things. The evening of the 19th, I (Dean) flew back to Pretoria for another vehicle loaded with more things and drove 18 hours straight to Cape Town. We have been officially Capetonian residents for two months now. We are set up, settled and have started planting the seed of the gospel work, starting with meeting people. We already started meeting our neighbors and visiting churches and communities. We also want to meet the Filipino community here.

In our past church planting initiatives, we began with renting a place of worship before we even had members. It was too risky and burdensome financially. Praise the Lord, it took only a short time to get more members to help with the ministry and the rental needs. This time, we would like to start with Bible studies in various places, teaching the Grace message, training people in the ministry, and encouraging them to join the church. This way, by the time we officially open the church, we would already have members who could help sustain the ministry, even financially. Our last church plant in Boksburg took us a year to have a full-fledged church. The members were the ones who looked for a bigger hall because we had outgrown the previous place. During the Bible study phase here, we also plan to start G-TEAMS to teach and train those who desire to do pastoral work.

While working in Cape Town, we continue to help the national ministry, especially the Bible schools and church planting programs. In January, we returned to Boksburg (Gauteng Province) for the G-TEAMS schoolyear 2024 grand opening. In February, Sheba flew to Johannesburg to print more books and attend GOMSA's anniversary celebration. We plan to visit Gauteng Province (the central part of our work) 3 to 4 times yearly to participate in major events, and ensure they keep the fire of the ministry burning. There are a lot of unknowns ahead of us. It is scary, but we know it is God's will for us to expand the ministry here in Cape Town and to the regions beyond. Please pray for us as we establish relationships, plant the seed of the gospel, and begin the ministry here in Cape Town and neighboring places.

On December 17, a day before we moved to Cape Town, we attended a thanksgiving service for our new graduates from G-TEAMS Hammanskraal Campus. The celebration was held in a tent donated by our friends at Bible Doctrines To Live By, that was set up in the yard of Pastor & Mrs. Daniel Malete. Presenting the graduates to the community and informing them of the launching of a church were the two primary purposes of the event. The community and families of the graduates came to recognize and support the new graduates, and promised to help the new church plant. We also presented Pastor & Mrs. Randy Cura and new Pastor Daniel Malete, & his wife, Margaret, who will be leading the congregation. A regular Sunday worship service has been held there since then. The fellowship is located in a government housing development. There are a lot of people and so much potential to grow. GOMSA will hold a unity service on March 3, to be attended by some brethren from other GO Church branches, to officially launch Grace Outreach Church - Temba.

A New Church Opens



G-TEAMS SY-2024 Grand Opening







Grace Theological Education and Ministry School (G-TEAMS) held its grand opening for the schoolyear 2024 at the main campus in Boksburg on January 20. Educators, admins, & students, both old and new, from 5 campuses, came in numbers. However, many were still unable to attend due to work & transport issues. There are 60 registered students this year. It's our biggest enrollment so far. While there are students from our Grace churches, we also have a lot of students who are leaders and even pastors from non-grace churches. A new campus in the Northwest province will open on February 24 in Swartruggens, Rustenburg. Some of the previous graduates are now helping teach & administer at their closest campuses. Others are helping in planting new churches. All books & lesson materials for the whole year are already printed and ready for distribution.

Church Planting Continues

On January 21, a new church in Alliance, Benoni, started. Pastor & Mrs. Petros Dlamini & Bible-Woman Ntombi, are leading this congregation. They are in the process of applying for a piece of land from the government. Currently, a tent is set up near a government facility while waiting for the approval of the land application. Another pioneering work started in Vlakfontein in the Westrand area on February 11. Pastors Nico Monyamane & Robert Macaleni with their wives lead this new group. The fresh graduates from the G-TEAMS Vlakfontein Campus are also helping them. They also have a wellattended Bible Study on Thursdays in Thembelihle, the next town where they want to plant a church. On March 10, some of the GOMSA's board members will visit Polokwane City to survey and help a new G-TEAMS graduate, Bethuel Makwale, plant a church in the area. Bethuel came out from a Zionist church and was so passionate and excited to share his faith and the message of Grace with others. He has a land to use for the church and a big clan near his place.



GOMSA 5TH Anniversary



Grace Outreach Ministries in South Africa (GOMSA) celebrated its 5th anniversary at Grace Outreach Church in Boksburg. This year's theme, Celebrating God's Abundant Grace, captured and capsulized how God has blessed our national counterpart, in which we are honoured to be co-founders. GOMSA's registration with the Department of Social Welfare and Development, compliance with the South African Revenue Service for tax exemption, and certification as a Public Benefit Organization (PBO) are some of its milestones. We continue to partner with GOMSA in preaching the wonderful message of God's Grace and edifying saints with the Word rightly divided through the many ministries we do together. G-TEAMS (Bible training), IMPACTinSA (church planting), Leadership Summit, and Conferences are some of them.

Prayer and Praise

- We continue to raise funds for our \$50,000 HQ project. This kickstart fund will be used to buy land. GOMSA is also raising more funds for the building from this side. It's the biggest project we've ever had, we need help to achieve this.
- Pray also for South Africa field support and GOMSA's operational needs. We are growing and so are our needs.
- Pray for the church planting fund. Our church planters are all volunteers who are at the mercy of our donations and love gifts, which are not much. We are grateful for their commitment and passion for the ministry.
- Pray for the opening of our new church in Polokwane on March 10. Some of our national board members will go there to assist.
- Pray for the opening of the Rustenburg G-TEAMS campus next month. There are 11 students there already. Their books and lesson materials are ready.
- Grateful for the growing outreach of Grace TV. We are reaching South Africa and the world.
- Our family is so grateful for each one of you. We are grateful for your <u>PLACE</u> in the Body of Christ, your <u>PARTICIPATION</u> in God's mission, your <u>PARTNERSHIP</u> in our ministry, and your <u>PART</u> in our lives.

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