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Wow! What a month! From cobras and spiders trying to take over the house in Shannon's absence, to water problems and a fire started by some welders getting near our house, it has been quite adventurous to say the least! Lindsay held down the fort with the kids while Shannon had to return to the states to attend a funeral due to the sudden passing of his brother in an auto accident. So this month has definitely had some challenges and times of heartbreak and we would appreciate your prayers for his brother's family. It's very difficult to be so far away during such losses.

Yet, there have also been many reasons to rejoice and many victories! The Youth Ministry held their first ever Mighty Young Men's camp. There was a great time of guys bonding, talking about issues young men face and how to have victory over them in the Lord. Many young men don't have fathers in their lives, so this time really impacted them and helped them feel loved and supported while also teaching them how to be Godly men. Two young men got baptized the Sunday they young men returned and another got baptized just a few weeks later! So that was really exciting.

We also are enjoying a visit from our missions pastor and their family from Lubbock, TX. Our kids are loving playing with their two girls, who are 3 and 5, close to our kids' ages. It is really encouraging having visitors who get to see all we are doing on the field and can help give us perspective and encouragement. We are hoping to have many more visitors in the future and are always open to outreach teams coming!

The children's ministry seems to keep growing as well and Lindsay has taken over the leadership of that. This past Sunday we had 31 kids!!! We meet in a classroom currently made for about 15 students, so pray with us as we try to figure out a way to facilitate all the kids as this area seems to be growing tremendously!



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KIDS CORNER

The kids had many milestones this month! Gabriel turned 3 and due to some of our team's help, had an awesome birthday party, even in his daddy's absence. He had a birthday party with a jumping castle and got a pirate suit and ninja turtle costume to play in! He loved the pirate suit so much he slept in it that night and wore it to church the next day. He definitely got attention for that!

Kendrick is now crawling around the house and tries to get into everything. He loves he can actually get to his siblings and he can pull on just about anything to stand up. His little personality is so playful and his siblings are realizing how fun he really is!

Alexis was a huge help while her daddy was gone and enjoyed sleeping with her mom in the big bed in daddy's absence.

Praise was a little nervous while daddy was gone but did well. She wanted to help cook while daddy was gone and loves being told she is a big helper!



HELP US IMPACT MORE LIVES!



PRAY PRAY PRAY!!!!!!

Our country still desperately needs rain! Even boreholes (wells) are drying up and we are in a serious drought! The pic above shows kids walking with buckets to find water and bring it home since there side of town had none! Even the hospitals don't have water which causes many problems as you can imagine!

Keep praying for Praise's situation. The newsletter is coming out before we have our final verdict. We will update Facebook as soon as we have any news. We continue to hope and pray.

SPREAD THE WORD!

We need more people to join our team! Due to the chaos of the water situation this last month and Shannon having to get on an emergency flight this last month, we are a bit behind where we want to be with our youth center. But we are moving forward. If you know someone that might want to help, pass along our info! We are impacting lives and you help us!

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YOUTH CENTER ON THE MOVE!!! FOOD TRUCK IN THE MAKING!

While we were waiting in Johannesburg for our friends to arrive from the airport, we got to look at some food trucks for our youth center! Our youth center will have a restaurant with it, serving slushies, burgers, hot dogs with the works, and other treats that aren't available in Lobatse to help it be self-sustaining one day. We've decided a food truck is the best way to go as our first youth building will be a temporary location until we can get the land and resources to build our own permanent structure. This food truck will also allow us to go to events in the capitol or in our town, to help raise funds for the youth center and provide employment where gainful employment is hard to find! We are so excited about this. We will customize the food truck and are estimating it will cost about \$5000 to build when we are done with our additions. If you would like to help create jobs and help our youth center become self-sustaining, this is a great project to give too! The business side of our youth center will allow awesome ministry to happen! Pray with us as we move forward in faith to purchase this truck in the next month! We are also signing a lease to rent the building starting in November and need about \$1650 a month in new support until the youth center is up and running. If you want to get involved, any little bit makes a difference and is going to have a huge impact in the community! We've had so many challenges come against us since we have started this endeavor that we know this will advance the Kingdom greatly!

