

The Sayers' in South Africa

Danielle's in Mexico!

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Dear Friends and Supporters.

Well, she's finally in Guadalajara! Since finishing her paramedic course last December, Danielle had been looking at her options for her internship, and Mexico was the most affordable country, with the most opportunity for trauma experience.

She was planning to travel with a fellow-graduate but in the end the friend decided to do her internship next year because of work obligations and so Danielle made plans to travel on her own – well, with Dad so that he could make sure everything is in order and help settle her into her new environment :).

I'm typing this from the hotel room in Guadalajara and fly out tomorrow. It's been a blessing to be able to see where Danielle will be doing her internship and meet the host family where she will be living for the next 3 months.

For the first 2 weeks, Danielle will be working the ER to assist the doctors and familiarize herself with the procedures and sharpen her Spanish – especially with medical terminology. She will then switch uniforms and do call outs on the ambulance for the remainder of her time there, which is the discipline she has studied for.

Many have asked why she is interning in Mexico instead of South Africa. Great question! Well, her paramedic program is a UK curriculum and the South African government does not allow anyone to practice or volunteer in medical work unless they take the SA equivalent course. She opted for the UK curriculum because of the very high standard at Ronin – the school that offered the program.

Please do pray for Danielle's safety in the ambulance, during her commute and that she would find a good church and body of believers while she is there.



Family news!

We're coming home! When I leave Mexico, I will be travelling to Ontario and then the rest of the family will fly to meet me in Ontario late September.

This is not so much a furlough as it is an admin/banking/driver's license/family catch-up visit. We will only be in Canada for 6 weeks and fly home at the end of October, Lord willing. Don may need to extend his time in Canada so do stay in contact if this changes.

Pray for Rachel as she travels on her own with Hudson and Nathan through Amsterdam. She was nervous initially because of the chaos and lost bags that making the news in AMS and Toronto. That seems to be resolving itself but there is the general anxiety of handing the house over to a house-sitter and then traveling for 30 hours through 3 airports. But we thank the Lord for His provision in allowing us to travel home regardless of the challenges.

Living Hope Bible Church

We have a problem. It's a good problem to have, but we have a space challenge in our current venue and we are looking at leasing/building/buying a larger church venue. The Lord has added to our numbers in a way that we couldn't have anticipated. We have nearly doubled our church family in the past 2 years and are coming close to exceeding the capacity of the community hall where we meet. The cost of the hall is very low and has allowed us to put money away in our building fund and so we are praying that we would find a suitable plot or existing building that we could purchase and use for the ministry God has blessed us with at Living Hope Bible Church.

God has blessed the Saints at LHBC both in spiritual maturity and a burden for the lost. We regularly organize evangelism outreaches and have been blessed by the practice of sharing our faith, even if the hearer rejects the gospel. The believers continue to grow and step out of their comfort and contentment zones and have sacrificed so much of their time and effort in so many aspects of the church ministry. We thank the Lord for His mercy and grace with His saints at LHBC.

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Safe House Update:

The House Mother's are the tip of the sword in the Safe House ministry. It is their love of the Lord, their commitment to Him that enables them to serve so faithfully and diligently. They do covet your prayers for continued strength, longsuffering and patience with the more rebellious children who have come to the homes at an older age after spending much time on the streets or living a life of dishonesty and desperation.

We are especially thankful for Kungeka who has taken over so well from Rachel's home after her retirement. As a trained Early Child Education worker, Kungeka brings a wealth of skills and giftedness in tutoring and organizing extra-curricular activities with the children.

She has bonded very well with Beauty who is next-door to her home and the children in all 3 houses benefit from her clever wit, love and no-nonsense teacher's side.

The children are doing well in school, are involved in many extra-mural activities such as art lessons, youth, drama and even surfing lessons 3 times a week! Not all of the children take to the waves yet, but 3 of the older boys and 2 girls are now carving the breaks like champs!

We are hoping to raise funds for some much needed repairs to Kungeka's kitchen cupboards, her floor, and the front brick retaining wall. I will be sending out a special letter detailing these 2022 projects and the timeline and cost estimates. Please pray with us that we could catch up on these overdue maintenance needs.



Prayer Points:

- Please pray for Rachel, Hudson and Nate as they travel to Canada in the next few weeks to meet Don in Ontario
- Please pray for Danielle during her medical Internship in Guadalajara, Mexico for the next few months.
- Pray also for our financial need. We are so thankful for the faithfulness of our supporters, especially during these unprecedented financial times. We thank the Lord for you daily.
- Pray for the House mom's. That the Lord would continue to Sanctify them through His word and that they would disciple the children so that they would come to know Christ as their saviour.
- Pray for Living Hope Bible Church. The growth of the saints and their love and concern of the Lost. Pray that the Lord would provide a larger venue for us in His time.
- Pray for our time in Canada traveling to visit family and sorting the various admin and banking items that need to be finished.

For Him - Don, Rachel, Danielle, Hudson and Nathan!

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