

African Leadership Development FEBRUARY 2019

Thanks for praying







Dear Friends,

God did amazing things on our last trip! He continues to work in Zimbabwe and South Africa. The big new (to us) shiny red tractor is actually plowing in the 30 acre field with our older smaller tractor. The top picture shows a bright blue sky, the second picture shows the color of the sky that we need to grow the crops we need for our kids and to sell: RAIN!!!!!

I talked to Phillip, our director in Zimbabwe at the Houses of Hope in Whunga, and almost the entire field is planted. Our house moms are out working as well as some of our kids. They are learning to be farmers as Phillip teaches them about sowing and reaping. Please pray that the rains continue so we have a bountiful harvest this year. Self-sufficiency is our goal. With your help, we can make it!

As we were leaving South Africa to fly home, I needed to get a paper authenticated. The police do it in South Africa, not the banks like we do in the USA. We went to one police station close to where we were staying in RSA, and they were not able to help us. Pastor Sam, who I have known since 1997 and has been a great asset to the work of ALD in the past few years, said I think I can help. He called the police man pictured with us, and he said the guy knows you from your early ministry in South Africa. He could help us.

We rushed to his office and he authenticated the paper for us! He also asked how Amy was doing, because she was the one who started the pre-school in the church we worked with. He said his daughter was in Amy's first class. When I told Amy and showed her a picture of his daughter, she said, Oh, that's Selani. I know her!!!!!

What a special blessing from the Lord!

Bill, for all of us!