

Dear Brethren

I am thankful as always to God as he permits me to share the latest information with you of how His work is progressing here. I hope this email finds you and your families doing well. It is my sincere hope also that the Lord's flock that is under your care is enjoying unlimited blessings spiritually, physically and materially as God himself gives. In Zimbabwe we are doing well. We are thankful that Brother Allen and Sister Debbie managed to successfully make a long trip to and from Zimbabwe. With God's permission, the classes that they came here to conduct went smoothly and many brethren at different places were edified. If it is God's will, we hope to receive them again in the future. Below is a snapshot of the events of September,

### **Sunday 3 September 2023**

I got an opportunity to teach a morning Bible class at Hillside from the book of Joshua. This is a study that is ongoing as I am doing a snap survey of the Bible. I began in Genesis and am just at the end of the book of Joshua. I also preached in the regular service and my lesson is uploaded on You Tube titled **"Birth plus Christ equals death plus eternal life"**.

After the service at 1pm, an elderly man named Roy who had visited indicated that he wanted to be baptized. Roy's son Ken and the daughter in law Jakkie are Christians already but they are now based in Australia. They were visiting Roy whose wife committed suicide 15 years ago. He lives alone at his house less than two kilometres away from Hillside Church building. Ken and Jakkie who themselves had already attended two Hillside services on 20 and 27 September brought Roy. We did not have water in the baptistry which had to be filled first. A decision was then made that those able would come back to the building at 4pm to baptize him. We indeed came back and his son Ken being assisted by Nyasha the caretaker at the building helped Roy to be immersed.



On Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>, the Dvoraks arrived and the next morning Nothando and I went with them to the rural areas where brother Allen was teaching a class of men drawn from six congregations for three days. The book under study was Revelation. I did all the translations for him during all his classes.



### **Sundays 10 & 17 September 2023**

Saturday 9 September was a day set aside for a gospel meeting at Hillside. Brother Allen was the speaker and he taught on the Holy Spirit, a special request from one of the members. He did a good job on the subject. The following day Sunday we worshipped at Hillside. I taught in the Bible class and brother Allen preached during service. He also taught in a Bible class after service finishing the Holy Spirit subject. The three lessons are uploaded on You Tube titled, **“The Holy Spirit in the first century, Barnabas the son of encouragement and The Holy Spirit today”**. As usual, searching for my full name Professor Mashoko gives access to these and many other lessons uploaded on this channel.

On Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> we worshipped with two congregations namely Chenhare and Bera. Brother Allen taught in a bible class before service at Chenhare. We then left for Bera and caught up with their service where again brother Allen preached. Soon after we came back to Bulawayo.

### **Sunday 27 September 2023**

I continued with the study in the book of Joshua. My son Predecessor then preached.

### **Drought Relief**

I received the funds from Steve. Our usual supplier is in Masvingo town which is very close to the beneficiaries. He needs about four days to run our order of ten tonnes of mealie meal. He begins milling on Monday 2 October. He promised that by Friday the order will be ready for collection. We will distribute on Saturday and I will send the report. Thank you for the relief and all other funds you send either for my personal wellbeing or for the wellbeing of the brethren I work with.

Your brother

Professor