



THE HORTON'S SERVING IN CANADA



Spring-Summer 2016

Dear Supporters,

My family and I can truly say this has been the most long and difficult year we have had and, yet, it has been the best years for us. We are thankful to our Lord for His mercies. I thank God for giving the strength to carry on in His work and allowing us to complete the first phase of renovations. One year ago we began to pack for moving to our new location. Then, in September, our family and one faithful man in the church began renovations. During the process, we had people come alongside to help in those areas we are not qualified to do that work. We now look back and see the wonderful work that God did in leading us to this point. We rejoice in the following report:

Ministry News:

- Since moving buildings we have seen 50+ guests, and 7 new families begin attending.
- 4 of the people are now starting to bring new guests regularly.
- Finished Phase #1 with owing only \$77,000.00 on the construction loan. Please pray we can pay this off quickly so we can finish remodelling the rest of the building.
- Dedication Service July 17, 2016, God allowed us to see 82 in attendance and 2 raise their hands for salvation. This is the most we have ever had in the 11 years we have been in Canada and it is way over our normal Sunday morning crowd. I pray one day we may see this number on a regular basis. Thank you Pastor and Mrs. Campbell of Old Suwannee (Buford, GA) for stopping by for our special day and seeing first hand the work of God.
- Please pray for a South African lady named Stephanie for salvation, she has come back three times even though she was offended by the salvation message. God is working.
- Please pray for me, as I start a men's Bible study group on Friday nights with all the new men that are starting to come.

Personal News:

- **Urgent prayer** our family needs your prayer as many of you know we have labored faithfully for 11 years, without a furlough, to be able to raise much needed support. During that time our support continues to drop because of the closing and changing of churches. We are now at 57% of our needed support level and since we moved here the cost of living has gone up 183% in 10 years under our current liberal government. It is getting very difficult to make ends meet with all that needs to be repaired, maintained, bought for our girls as they grow and basic living expenses. Please pray that God will show us how to meet these needs.
- Flechia is turning 17 at the end of July and she has been a huge blessing to us with her God-given gift of music and her helpful spirit. Please pray direction regarding her health because she is having trouble breathing and all the tests are coming back without showing any issues.
- Sabrina will be turning 13 in September and she loves the fact that she is taller than everybody but daddy. She also has been a great help around the church as she plays the organ for our services and is such a blessing to all that meet her.
- Ellaina, our 11 year old, is still struggling with migraines that demobilize her the moment they start. We praise the Lord constantly that her lungs have seemed to improve, as she has gotten older. She has not had a serious attack in a while. She has become a sweet greeter to all that come our way at church, and she is always making someone feel loved by sitting with them during service.
- Lori and I are very tired mentally and physically with the weight of the ministry, finances of church and home, as well as doing much of the work in the remodelling over the last 10 months. Please pray for strength and wisdom on how to take one day at a time and **pray with us that God will make a way to be able to get away for a week or two of rest from the ministry.**

In His Service,

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