

Prayer Letter of Douglas Wu and Family

November 1, 2020

The driver's license of our daughter, Helen, expires in December. So she and her roommate went to the Traffic Bureau at Welkom, the city where they work as interns, to renew the license. They've heard the Bureau only processes 30 applications each day, so they went to wait in line at 6:15AM on October 20 and were numbers 21 and 22 in the queue. The office opened at 8AM, and by 9:30AM they've processed 12 applications. Then a security guard came out and told everyone that the water supply of the office has been shut off and they couldn't continue working, so everyone had to go home and come back the next day! Someone asked why the office had to stop working due to the water stoppage? The electricity was still on and the computers were working fine too. The security guard replied that it was due to the COVID-19 policy, which stipulated the office has to shut down if there's no water for washing hands to prevent the virus infection!



Office shutdown due to power blackout, computers malfunctioning, and now, water stoppage

Helen and her roommate therefore went back the next morning at 5:45AM. They were the third and fourth persons in line, so they were confident that their applications would be processed that day, even if the water is shut off again! However, the security guard appeared at 6:15AM and told them to go to the back of the line because they waited outside the red line in violation of the rule. Helen's roommate wanted to reason with the security guard but Helen quickly pulled her to the back of the line, and luckily they were numbers 27 and 28 in queue. The two girls prayed and asked God to help their cases. At 7:50AM the Bureau employees started to arrive for work, and a woman clerk approached and greeted Helen. Helen didn't know her but politely returned the greeting. Then the clerk told the girls that since they're physical therapists during the COVID-19 epidemic, so they qualify for preferential treatment. After the clerk invited them into the office, she thanked Helen for treating her family member who had a full recovery. The clerk personally processed their applications and everything was finished before 9AM. Hallelujah (even though Helen couldn't recall the patient mentioned by the clerk)! *Matthew 6:3 "But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing." Matthew 25:40b "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."*



Helen graduating after 5 years of study Celebration with Rustenburg brothers & sisters

Isaiah 54:2~3 “Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left; your descendants will dispossess nations and settle in their desolate cities.” 1 Chronicles 4:10 “Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, ‘Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain.’ And god granted his request.” In October, I received a message from sister Eileen of CCIC Tri Valley that a group of passionate American high school and college students have set up a website called Bobtutor to provide free individual English and programming tutoring, targeting needy students in China, U.S., and other areas. Sister Eileen asked me if South African Chinese children would benefit from this offering during the COVID-19 lockdown. Initially we thought since English is used in South African schools, so maybe English tutoring isn’t necessary. But after praying, Whitney suggested we should check with the parents and kids first. Then we found out all the parents were in favor, and only 3 out of 13 kids rejected the idea. We thank the Lord for providing this new opportunity for children to learn at home during this serious COVID-19 pandemic. Glory be to God!



May God bless the American youths behind the Bobtutor website and also the South African kids

In addition, Eileen and two other sisters were also willing to give English lessons online for the adults. We thank the Lord that 22 brothers and sisters responded to Whitney’s invitation for the beginner’s class. Although three families in Rustenburg were hit with power blackout during the first meeting, but Holy Spirit helped us to keep the class running and everyone participated with a thankful heart. May the Holy Spirit keep all of us together and continue to expand God’s kingdom. May God bless our evangelical ministry for Johannesburg and open the path for us to build the African evangelism platform. Whitney and I have again experience the love of Jesus as he moved the brothers and sisters of CCIC Tri Valley with their wonderful service. May God use clay vessels like us in His work so that we can personally experience His glory.



Meeting & prayer before the adult English class Screen shot of first class & discussion afterwards



Chicago LWEC church online worship Online children Sunday school Johannesburg Bible study

Brother Xiong in Johannesburg asked us to resume the in-person Bible study fellowship that was suspended earlier this year.



Rustenburg online fellowship Rustenburg online Sunday night worship Spring time Jacaranda blossoms

COVID-19 cases in South Africa have increased in October! On October 12 there were 888 confirmed new cases, and on October 29 it went up to 2056 cases.

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Praises & Intercession

1. The South Africa national lockdown will end on November 15. Thanks to the Lord for keeping all brothers and sisters safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Thanks to the Lord for providing Bobtutor website to help the children in South Africa with their education.
3. Thanks to the Lord for providing an English learning opportunity to brothers and sisters in South Africa through the help of brothers and sisters in CCIC Tri Valley church.
4. The Johannesburg Wednesday Bible study group has resumed in-person meeting but now on Friday nights. May them enjoy peace in the Lord.



5. God has provided another shop for brother and sister Chen of Rustenburg to continue their business after they had to close their original store. Praise the Lord!
6. With God's guidance, our daughter Helen has successfully graduated and her internship will finish on December 24. Ask God to continue to lead her.
7. Praises for our son Clarence successfully entered final exam. Pray for the school won't delay and finish the current term in December.

Prayer List

1. Pray for our plan to resume the first in-person Bible study fellowship in Johannesburg. May the Lord bestow peace and keep us safe from coronavirus.
2. Please continue to pray for the proper timing to resume in-person Sunday worships in Rustenburg and Johannesburg. Ask the Lord for a clear guidance.
3. Please pray for brother Chu of the Tuesday Bible study group in Johannesburg for not able to attend fellowship meetings due to his work.
4. Please continue to pray for the brothers and sisters in Rustenburg who are shop owners, and ask the Holy Spirit to keep them safe from coronavirus.
5. Please pray for Helen's job seeking in next year. She needs a letter of recommendation from her teacher but hasn't received it after two months. In addition, she is still waiting for her South Africa birth certificate, which is required for her work visa application for New Zealand.
6. Please pray for Clarence to be able to complete the current dental class at end of year and move on to the next level. The school has yet to publish next year's class schedule should the completion of current term is delayed to next April.
7. Please continue to pray for the safety of all the brothers and sisters. May the Holy Spirit keep everyone safe from coronavirus.
8. Please continue to pray for Helen and Clarence with their internship work in the hospitals and protect them from coronavirus.
9. Crimes in South Africa are still rampant! Please pray for the safety of the Chinese people and the overall crime situation.

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Immanuel,

Clarence/Helen/Sharon Whitney/Douglas