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"He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning."

Daniel 2:21

Dear Friends,

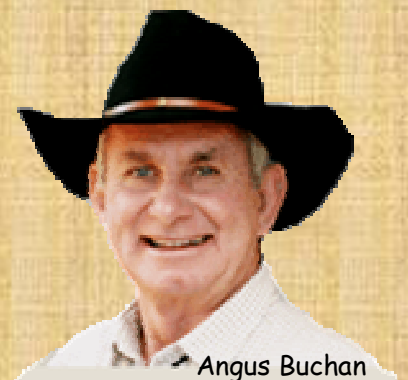
The political goings on in South Africa in the last few weeks may have fallen under your radar screen as you focused on North America and the impending financial crisis. In an unprecedented move, the ruling party, the ANC, has fired President Mbeki. The reasons given are too long and complicated to elaborate on in this letter. Mbeki's departure has been followed by the resignation of some key ministers in parliament. All of this had the potential of destabilizing the country, but so far little has changed on the surface that we can ascertain at the moment and for that we are very thankful.

As I think about world leaders, and in particular the leaders of South Africa, I have reminded myself that God is still very much in charge and in no way is ever caught by surprise. Pray for this country and it's diverse cultural groups; that God will sustain the government and that any political instability will not put a greater burden on the millions who are struggling to exist.

In my May newsletter I told you about the conference I went to where 60,000 men came together for a weekend. God has been doing some really wonderful things in South Africa since then. Here is one incident I would like to share with you. Angus Buchan the speaker at the conference wrote in a recent newsletter:

"I received an email just the other day from the farmers in the Swellendam area of the Western Cape. After they came back from the MMC they had a huge meeting at their agricultural show-ground, dug a trench of about 2m deep and maybe 10-15m long, and the people literally walked through that trench, in the one side and out the other, as a symbol of dying to self, burying the old man and starting anew. I have never heard of that happening anywhere else in the world. I have studied revival for many years, it is my favourite subject, and I want to tell you that we are in revival at the moment. "

No matter how difficult our circumstances in life may be God is so awesome in what He is doing all around us. I was reminded once again of the incredible God we serve after watching Louie Giglio's DVD entitled 'Indescribable' Check out the link <http://www.268generation.com/2.0/splash2.htm> if you are interested.



Angus Buchan



Rose and I no sooner arrived back in South Africa when it was time for us to fly to Nampula, Mozambique for our Mission group conference. It was wonderful to be reunited with colleagues, enjoy warm weather and be encouraged as we met together to discuss and pray about the direction for us as a mission. One of the main purposes for the conference was to elect a new Director and executive committee. John Iseminger who oversees the Meetto language programme in northern Mozambique was elected as Director and we are happy to have him in that position.



Praying for the new SIL Mozambique Director John Iseminger



All of us at conference in Nampula, Mozambique

We are so very grateful to all of you, our dear family and friends. Thank you for upholding us in prayer and supporting us financially so that we can serve the Lord wherever we happen to be.

Roy & Rose Tibbit

Happy Thanksgiving to all our Canadian family and friends!

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