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MISSIONARIES TO THE DEAF OF SOUTH AFRICA  
“...that God in all things may be glorified through  
Jesus Christ...” 1 Peter 4:11



**Dear Friends,**

During our many years on the field, you can imagine the number of missionaries we've met. Many have come and gone with little or no continuing work for their efforts. However, there are some that we've met that have been exceptional in their service to the Lord. We got to know them and rejoiced in their calling and the fulfillment of it. I would like to introduce you to one such missionary.

We first met Brother Chad Branch and his wife when we took our college deaf choir to the eastern part of South Africa for a special meeting. Bro. Chad is one of those kind of fellows that never meets a stranger, and God put a love in our hearts for him and his wife. We followed his ministry as he left that area and went to the city of Kimberley, South Africa. You will remember I talked about Kimberley in our last prayer letter. He started Truth Baptist Church and set upon training those who accepted Christ as Saviour and were baptized into the church. In fact, he planted two churches while serving in South Africa. Truth Baptist Church was able to purchase their own building earlier this month.

My wife and I were saddened when Bro. Chad informed us that they felt God had impressed upon their hearts that their work here was complete and it was time to return to the US. Truly, we hated to see a missionary couple like Chad and his wife leave. Sadly, we accepted God's plan for them and bid them farewell. Truth Baptist Church was left with a capable South African who was personally trained by Chad. On our last visit to Kimberley, I

During the Branches time in South Africa, we had Bro. Chad come to our church to preach a “Back to the Bible” meeting. He is an excellent preacher, relates well with people, and his messages were on the mark.

In our conversations over the last few months, I’ve repeatedly suggested to Bro. Chad that he make himself available for missions conferences or other special meetings. He recently informed me that he is now planning meetings. I would like to recommend Bro. Chad to your church. Having been a pastor in the US and a foreign missionary, he has a unique perspective on ministry. I know he would be a blessing to your church family and could be used by the Lord to challenge your people for missions and service to Him. Please read through his bio at the end of this letter and prayerfully consider having him come to your church.

In closing, please be in prayer for Lucinda. She is now in the US to visit with our daughters. Pray for us, as we miss each other immensely. Pray for me as I use this time with Lucinda in the US to finish a very important project.

We love you all and thank the Lord for you.

In Christ,  
Chris and Lucinda.