HOLD ON TO YOUR HAT! JUNE / JULY 2025

I asked Cindy to title this prayer letter and I think she nailed it ③. The past 10 weeks have been like a wild ride on a spirited horse but it's been so good! We are sitting in a restaurant in South Africa eagerly awaiting the arrival of our son-in-law and daughter. They have finished deputation, left the U.S., and will soon be in the Democratic Republic of Congo. It's been a year and a half since I saw them last. We'll get a few hours together and then Cindy and I head back to Botswana. We came to SA to "get away and catch a breath," get caught up on our correspondence and to be here for Shane and Em's arrival. Please pray for them. We also ask for special prayers for our son Brock. He has had some great answers to prayer in his life recently including an awesome job promotion. He has also been attending church again!! This past week his dog and constant companion for years, was diagnosed with terminal cancer. We Haley's are very fond of our dogs. We appreciate your prayers for our "kids."

We give God all the glory for the great things He has done and continues to do in this ministry. Of course we do our part and work hard but this is HIS doing and we are stewards of HIS amazing grace. We've now been in Botswana for 8 ½ years and we could not do it without you. We're humbled by your faithful prayers, and support. And we're thankful that fruit abounds to your account, Heaven will yield a great reward, and GOD is being glorified in HIS churches.

Oh!! Where to begin. Here's a list of some of what has transpired over the past several weeks.

- We hosted two groups in June. 34 folks from Crosspoint BC (Indianapolis, IN) came on a 8 day mission trip. We were a bit nervous hosting the largest group we've ever had. But it was ABSOLUTELY AMAZING and each day was filled with great ministry and dynamic fellowship. They were so ready and able to serve and we were greatly strengthened and encouraged! Thank you Crosspoint!
- Then we hosted 10 dear friends from Peoples BC (Greenville, SC). This was a follow up to last years trip and both teams were such a blessing!! This team was extra special to us as it included the Nathan Hill family who stayed an additional five weeks for their survey trip. They have been approved as BIMI missionaries and have started their deputation to come alongside of us here in Botswana. Please pray for Brother Nathan and Akemi, their son Mokodo and daughter Megumi. We hope they'll return to Botswana full-time in 1 ½ to 2 years.
- A few days later Dan Brooks from Camps Abroad (a ministry of the Wilds Christian Camp) arrived and conducted a weekend of camp training for us. We then had THE FIRST INAUGURAL YOUTH CAMP for Grace BC in Gaborone. Forty nine campers and counselors were in attendance. Three young men were saved! And the young people left camp with a fire in their soul that is still burning! GOD REALLY DID SOMETHING SPECIAL!! We have a follow up camp starting in a week (August 10). The unique focus of this camp is for the young people who came the first time to return with a lost and unchurched friend. Please pray for many to be saved. A team from our sending church GRACE BC in New Castle, IN led by our Pastor Brian Neal will arrive next Sunday to lead this camp and also work on a construction project for us.
- While all of this has been going on there has been constant construction at the Grace Oasis. The main cabin is complete. The team from our home church will add a covered deck that will provide a great gathering spot for the campers to group up for prayers, devotions, and times of fellowship. The shower house is 95% completed and has added 10 showers, 6 toilets, 4 urinals, quartz counters and sinks with both floor and wall tiling. The whole project at a cost of \$35,000 was paid for without our having to raise funds. To God be the glory! It provides a very sanitary, durable, and convenient facility to meet the present and future needs for camps, conferences, retreats, and hopefully very soon THE BIBLE COLLEGE!
- We've also begun construction on a second cabin to provide better housing for our staff. Please pray for the Lord's help to finish this one or at least get it in the dry before the rainy season comes. The main kitchen renovation is also up and coming. We've received two gracious gifts totaling \$5500 to get it started and anticipate it costing \$15,000 total. Please pray for the Lord to supply the remaining \$10,000 needed according to His will.
- SAD GOODBYES We cannot say "THANK YOU" enough to Chris and Molly Heyne and their family of five boys for the great work they've done at the Grace Oasis over this past year. They are part of the CLAIM ministry at BIMI (missionary builders). They have worked on construction projects, won souls, discipled couples, brought many visitors, taught and preached and were a great blessing to the church. They have returned to the States to settle into a new home and to prepare for their next project. To say we miss them is an understatement! Please pray for their family and their ministry and especially their boys as they readjust to life back in America.
- MISSING SUMMER Ms. Summer, our co-laborer and medical missionary is sorely missed. She's become like a daughter to us. Summer is home on medical leave and facing some very challenging surgeries. We all miss her terribly and ask you to pray that

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God will do a mighty and miraculous work to restore her to good health and hasten her return to Botswana. Please pray specifically for an opening to a specialized surgeon in California that is desperately needed.

- HELP IS ON THE WAY For more than two years now Cindy and I have specifically prayed for the Lord to send a very special person to help us in the work here. The ministry has grown immensely. Even with the addition of the Grace Oasis property we have not slowed down in our church planting efforts or the training of the national pastors and leaders. The apostle Paul described the "load" of the ministry in 2 Corinthians 11:28 "Besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches." We are feeling that load and while God's grace has sustained us this far we knew we had to have help. God has WONDERFULLY answered that prayer and called Ms. Derryanne Hubbard from Canada to come and serve alongside of us here in Botswana. Derryanne is passionate about soul-winning, discipleship, and ADMINISTRATION. Her gifts and skills will enable her to help shoulder the burden and streamline administrative duties. This is one of the greatest and most welcomed answers to prayer we've had all year. Please join us in thanking the Lord for, yet again, providing what is needful in such miraculous fashion. We'll introduce her to you more fully in our next letter. Please pray for Derryanne as she transitions from Canada to Botswana.
- RAMOTSWA is our most recent church plant and you may remember that we meet in a hall at a deaf school. The church has not yet attracted many adults but every week we have a "built in" group of deaf children and teens numbering 90 or more. We did not "plan" for or anticipate this opportunity but God has provided. We were able to secure the help of a deaf interpreter and each week the deaf are able to "hear" the gospel. We have launched an intensive six week long soul-winning campaign to get this church up and running. Additionally, the coming group from Grace BC will conduct a day camp for the deaf young people. Please pray for souls to be saved and for the church plant in Ramotswa to take root. Brother Frank and his wife Rosemary head that effort and we appreciate your prayers for them.
- SPECIFIC NEEDS: Again recently, and quite often, we are asked to provide a "needs" list or some things we may want. We find it difficult to ask for anything personally only because our needs are met and we don't want for much. Most everything on our list is related to the ministry and its needs. Now that's a long list and I won't detail it here for sake of the sticker shock . But here are some things we do need and have been praying for. If you would like to be a part of any of these please contact me directly at pastormhaley@gmail.com for more information.

A high quality airless paint sprayer – A Milwaukee M18 mini shop vac – A commercial oven for the kitchen renovation project - \$10,000 needed to complete the kitchen project – A laminator – A skilled carpenter to come for two to three weeks to do various projects, door repairs and installations – These are some things that come to mind.

We say Thank You for all your love, prayers and support. You are a true blessing to us!

Together in the harvest, Mike & Cindy Haley Botswana



New Shower House









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Grace Baptist Church is growing with guest every week.







Guest from USA ministering at the new church plant in Ramotswa



BEWARE if Mike Haley ever asks... "do you want to go on a rock safari?"



Ms. Derryanne Hubbard coming soon!



EM'S HOME...Well, at least she's on the same continent now!