

Newsletter for Trinity Grace Church in Ramsbottom

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Introduction

Grace and peace from our Lord and God, Jesus Christ. Greetings to the saints at TGC-Rambottom. I am thankful to God for your prayers and supporting my studies at IRBS.

In December, we were in Angola, specifically in Cuito, visiting family and doing ministry, and we have recently returned to Kitwe, Zambia. Here is the latest update on my family, Studies and ministry.

Family

Firstly, We would like to thank the church for your support and prayers. We are doing well by the grace of God. In our family worship time, we have been studying 1 Peter. It has been great to see the call to faithfully live for Christ in a world that is not our home. It has been a joy to hear a loud “AMEN” from Cisola during our family prayer time. Our time in Angola was truly a blessing. Spending time with families and friends, especially spending time with Bell’s Mom and seeing Cisola meeting her grandmothers, was of great encouragement.

We are currently back in Kitwe, Zambia and serving in our church for the reminder of this year before we move back to Angola.



With Bell’s
Mom



Cisola with
Grand mother
(My Mother)

IRBS- STUDIES



The studies are going well, by God's grace. Due to the Load shedding that Zambia is currently facing, I have experienced some difficulties in attending the livestream classes, leading to some late submission. I am working on my assignments for the course on worship (PT706: Worship)

Despite those challenges, I managed, by God's grace, to complete four courses: Hermeneutics, Foundations of Philosophical Theology, Introduction to Research Writing, and Charles Spurgeon: The Sabbatarian Evangelist.

These courses have helped me to appreciate the beauty of confessional Christianity and the wonderful doctrine of God. I hope to enroll in the next summer classes: LS-G 401 Greek 1 & PT605 Pastoral Theology I - Theological Pastoring.



I have managed to be friends with brother Andrew Felts, an IBRS student and member at Grace Reformed Baptist Church, Palmdale, CA. I am currently planning to host him on our podcast, Podcast Baptista Confessional: A confessional Baptist podcast that aims to promote confessional Christianity in Angola and other Portuguese-speaking countries in Africa and beyond. Your wavering support and prayers are highly appreciated.

Ministry

During our time in Angola, The Lord granted us the opportunity to be ministered to and minister to different churches and people during our Holidays in Angola. Bell had a good time studying and sharing the gospel with friends, and I had the opportunity to meet with a young Man to share the gospel with him as well.

It was an encouragement to see how Christ is building his church through faithful men and women. It was good meeting these brethren, and I was refreshed. But it was also evident to see the need for more biblical churches and the need of theological training for Church leaders in Angola. Thus, our prayer is that the Lord will lead us to participate in this great need.

Church

We are currently serving at Kitwe Church, here in Zambia. It has been a wonderful church family, and our souls are well taken care of here.



João Preaching
at IBRA church



ladies meeting
(Germana, Perla,
Erica) & Bell)



This is Justo
Manuel, please
pray for his
salvation

I have and the privileges' of teaching the weekly bible studies and preaching occasionally on the Sunday morning service.

We are in the transitional phase, and we're preparing to go back home and start the work on church planting next year.

I just finished setting up a formal ministry plan for the church planting church and praying for a sending church, and I pray that our current church could be our sending church.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for our marriage: that we will constantly have a Christ-centered marriage.
- Please pray for Cisola's salvation and recovery
- Pray for my studies at IRBS that I will be faithful and persevere amidst the challenges we are having here.
- Pray for our plan for church planting in Angola: for a sending church and Mission Partners.

Yours in Christ
João and Bell
