



December 2019

Dear Sisters and Friends,

- **First Southern Africa Regional Leadership Meeting in Durban**

In November, I was privileged to accompany my husband to attend the Leadership Meeting in Durban, S.A. I was delighted to meet some of the wives of the Leaders. In a session, we shared in Women's Ministry and various programs. During our time of fellowship, I was being acquainted with some of the chairladies. The following countries were represented: Elizabeth Makahotsofetse from Lesotho, Ana Amone Manjate from Full Gospel Church of God Mozambique, Karen Smith from Namibia and Prenitha Buckley, wife of Superintendent of Southern Africa, Philip Buckley. The Leadership Meetings were a great blessing.



- **Benevolent Ministries Africa**

We were much encouraged and very blessed to receive reports from countries where Church of God World Missions is represented, to learn that we operate:

- 73 Primary Schools with 13685 pupils enrolled
- 3 Secondary Schools with 671 students
- 85 Kindergarten/Nurseries with 5957 children
- 113 Feeding Programs with 10540 being served
- 4 Orphanages with 544 orphans
- 14 Widows assistance programs with 11685 assisted
- 2 Soccer outreach programs with 220 young people
- 26 Boreholes & water wells with numerous communities receiving clean water
- 3 Vocational Training Schools enrolled 478 students



Most of these programs are National initiatives without any support from outside. Our brothers and sisters are truly given to compassion, love and empathy. I want to highly commend all women who are involved or who are organizing such benevolent ministries. May the Lord replenish your resources and pour blessings on your families.



I am grateful to know you and to be yoked together in the Kingdom of God.

As we are fast approaching, the Holidays I want to wish all of you a wonderful Christmas Season and the Lord's presence in the New Year

With much love and deep appreciation
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