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Greetings from South Africa!

We arrived about three weeks ago and are finally starting to feel settled. It took us about two weeks to find an adequate vehicle for our family of seven, plus all the other things that are involved in moving to a new country: new schools for the kids, finding a new church, Victor teaching at a new college, new bank account, new insurance, new, new, new. We just wanted to send off a quick message to let everyone know that we are fine.

The trip over was relatively uneventful, complicated mainly by the departure time being moved up one hour unbeknownst to us. But we had nothing lost or stolen along the way and we traveled quite lightly for a family of seven moving overseas. We are currently living in Fish Hoek, the next suburb over from Kalk Bay, where the Bible Institute (BI) is. All the children are attending area schools and we are looking for a good local church where we can become involved in ministry. Next week is orientation for the new year at BI, and Victor starts teaching February 1st. He is still working on getting his courses prepared.

Please pray for the following:

- 1) That we would find a good church where Victor and Rachel can contribute in ministry, and where the children feel at home.
- 2) Good adjustment for the kids. Although there is nothing major to report, they are struggling just a bit with a new school and a curriculum different from the one in the States. Be particularly prayerful about finding good Christian friends.
- 3) That Rachel would find ministry opportunities in the area, and that Victor's course prep would get moving quicker than it has been.
- 4) That we would find adequate, more permanent accommodation, since we are only in our present home until the end of April.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

In Christ's service,

Victor and Rachel
Abigail, Zachary, Carrie, Natasha & Calvin

P.S. Attached is a picture of the kids looking over the Atlantic during a sunset.

