Thanksgiving is just around the corner, but for us believers, it's more than just a day to socialize, stuff ourselves with food, and watch TV. Taffi and I have so much to be thankful for, and I know you do, too. This day is a reminder to all of us that despite all the drama and negativity in the world around us, we can always find something to be grateful for. You probably remember someone reminding you to count your blessings when you were growing up. They were absolutely correct.

One of the things I'm so thankful for is the progress that God allowed us to continue to make as a church. This time last year we were deep into the pandemic, and although the doors of the physical church building were closed, the devil just couldn't stop the forward progress of the *real* church, which is God's people. God has blessed us tremendously and allowed us not just to stay together, but to thrive and flourish. This wouldn't have been possible through our own efforts; it was the Lord's doing, and it's marvelous in our eyes (Psalm 118:23).

When God gave me the vision for World Changers, He also warned me that there would be challenges. In the early days, it wasn't always easy to build the church that He wanted. It began in an elementary school cafeteria. There were some days when I stood up to preach and faced a nearly-empty room with just a few people in the chairs.

On the journey I had to wear many hats. Some days I was the organist or the stand-in preacher for the Sunday service; other times I had to cut the grass,

scrub the bathroom floors, and clean the toilets because no one else wanted to do it. There was even a time when I got discouraged. I was weary and tired of all the work, and wanted to throw in the towel. I'm so glad I *didn't* quit.

I think a grateful heart gave me the motivation to go on. I could have given up, caved in, and quit, but that's not what being a faithful servant is all about. When I started to wonder if what God had promised me would ever materialize, He worked through Taffi to encourage me, through all the financial circumstances of planting a new church, and through all the people around me wondering if I had lost my mind with the idea of building a debt-free church. The day we had our ground-breaking ceremony for our current building's foundation, God reminded me that He causes everything to work together for good, for those who love Him and are called according to His purpose (Romans 8:28).

Now, I know that Taffi and I aren't the only ones to benefit from God's blessings; He has blessed you just as abundantly as He did us. Whatever

you need, whether it concerns your finances, your health, your family, or anything else, God promises to supply—as long as you trust Him enough to allow Him to work on your behalf. In the Old Testament, when the widow trusted God, He supplied her with oil that never ran out. He'll keep on pouring the oil of blessing on *your* lives as long as you trust Him to do so.

THERE IS MUCH TO GIVE THANKS FOR!

Life is a gift to be treasured and cherished. No matter what we imagine, it can never be better than what God envisions for us. "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him" (1 Corinthians 2:9). I firmly believe that this promise can apply to us right now, in our own present lifetime.

I consider all of you one of my greatest blessings. God loved me—and you enough to bring us together to be strengthened and built up by His Word. I thank Him every day for this. I "cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers" (Ephesians 1:16). We have much to give thanks for, and so do you! Taffi and I love you and we pray for you daily. Remember that Jesus is Lord, and "…In all your getting, get understanding" (Proverbs 4:7, NKJV).

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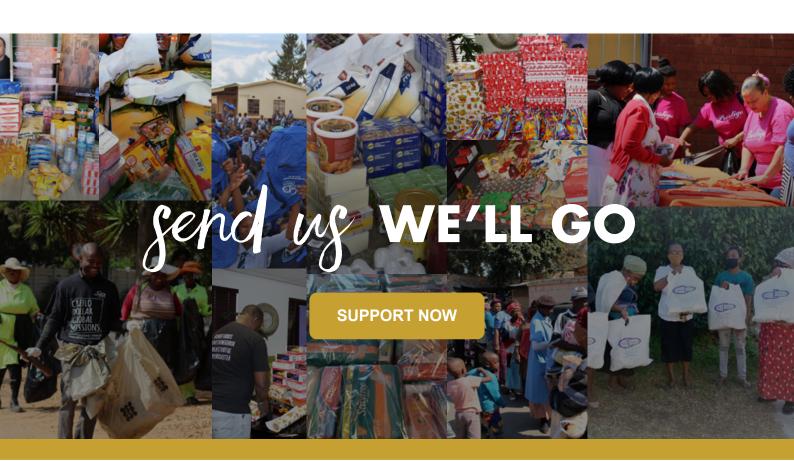






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