

# October in Namibia

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The month of October was filled with many beautiful African sunsets as well as many beautiful smiles.

Early in the month, we had service in Oshikango where Sister Magallanes gave a teaching to the church and we were able to minister to the people at the altar as the Lord moved.

The following Sunday we had a bible study in our home with the saints and friends in our city! We are praying for a church building in Ongwediva, Namibia. There are hungry people in Ongwediva who have been baptized as well as those who are seeking to be baptized and receive further teaching. I was blessed to minister in music playing piano and leading worship as there was a sweet presence of God as we sang and worshipped Him together.

The next week we made a trip to the church in Oshikwiyu where Brother Magallanes gave a teaching on trusting in the Lord and breaking traditions that contradict the word of God. One of their traditions in particular is that they come to the altar at the end of service and wait for the preacher to come and pray for them but once he does so, they head back to their seat immediately. When my dad called it out to them and taught them that it's better to stay and seek His presence and hear His voice instead of a preacher's, we had an altar call. There was a powerful move of God as we lingered in His presence. It was encouraging and wonderful to see the people worship with liberty at the altar not expecting something from man but only seeking God and what He had to give to them.

That same Sunday, we baptized 3 people in the saving name of Jesus. One of the women we baptized was 99 years old! My mom and I drove to her village, walked into her hut, and helped to out to the car where we would drive her to the church. We thank God for His grace and hand over her life so she could be saved and washed by the blood of Jesus for such a time as this. We rejoiced with her as well as little Penny who is 9 years old. God can reach and save from 9 to 99! The third woman who was baptized was the daughter of the 99-year-old woman. To God be the glory; we rejoiced! It was a blessed day. Throughout the week I continue to homeschool with my younger brothers. Leading up to the next weekend, we packed our suitcases and headed to South Africa where we had a blessed time with our neighbors all over Africa! There was a powerful spirit of unity and it was very encouraging to pray alongside them with the same heartbeat for this continent and its souls. God is doing awesome things in Namibia and all over Africa.

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