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Dear friends:

As the ninth annual FIEL (faithful) conference draws near, I want to solicit your prayers that God may undertake in a mighty way for the speakers, the participants, and those working diligently behind the scenes.

The conference will run Tuesday through Friday, 22-25 July, with follow-on seminars continuing from 28 July - 1 August for 30-40 men. The conference theme is "Proclaiming the Unsearchable Riches of God's Grace," and the seminars will cover expository preaching and systematic theology.

Our speakers are **Ronald Kalafungwa** from Lusaka, Zambia, and **Gilson Santos** from Brazil. They will be bringing 12 expositions during the week from the book of Ephesians as well as responding during three sessions to circumstances frequently encountered in Mozambican evangelical churches.

Christine Hallet, former missionary to Zimbabwe, will be addressing the wives on topics related to the pastor's home.

Rick Denham and **Kevin Millard**, missionaries with Editora Fiel (faithful publishers) in Brazil will be present, representing the publishing house that first began sponsoring these conferences in Brazil more than 20 years ago.

Karl Peterson has organized the program and will chair the sessions.



Salome Van Niekerk and **myself**, together with a crew of local volunteers and hired laborers, will be hosting the church workers who come from all parts of the country and represent over 30 different denominations and church organizations.

This year we have over 180 church leaders registered already with still ten days remaining before the conference.

Pray that:

- 1. God would bless the preaching of His word.
- 2. the participants would find it a time of rich spiritual and physical refreshment and have their eyes opened to important truths missing in most church ministries here.
- 3. those hosting the conference would be given grace to serve cheerfully and well.
- 4. the large marquee tent would arrive very soon (after many delays it is on the last 1500 mile leg of the journey, but needed to have been here already).
- 5. the books ordered months ago would yet arrive three boxes finally came today, encouraging us to think that in God's providence the rest may be close behind.
- a small but necessary piece of our closed circuit TV system arriving by courier from the U.S. will reach us in time.



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