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Serving the Youth of South Africa

It's true. I'm getting married...

PRAISE

- ~Hallelujah for God's provision of Russ Farhoud! I'm getting married!!!
- ~Praise God for our new National Youth Director, Pastor Lefu.
- ~Rejoicing over Pastor Lebo Lebelo who is leading The Journey university ministry.
- ~My braces came off on February 27th. Thank you again to everyone who prayed with me through my jaw surgery.



On March 12th, Rasan "Russ" Farhoud is officially proposing to me in true African style at our national president's church of the International Assemblies of God in South Africa. I've worked very hard to keep my testimony of "purity" and led by example for the youth of South Africa. This is why I've kept this all quiet until now. God is being glorified through all of this in proving to young people that if you wait on God--He will give you the desires of your heart.

PRAY

- ~ During this season of transition, pray for the National Youth Ministries and the Journey university ministry to move forward with new leadership. God has continually encouraged me that "He who began a good work will carry it on to completion."
- ~Pray for student leaders and national pastors to run with the vision for university ministries (**laborers in the harvest field**)
- ~I wrote a book! Pray for me as I finish the publication process.
- ~**Spiritual warfare** on campus
- ~National Youth Ministries to continue to move forward in growth & vision
- ~God's direction in which country Russ & I are to serve in as missionaries.
- ~Preparations for the wedding on August 5.
- ~Faithful monthly support
- ~God's protection, favor & anointing
- ~Wisdom beyond my years

Russ is an Assemblies of God ordained minister and also feels a call to missions work. He is currently the Assistant Pastor at First Assembly of God in Killeen, Texas. His testimony is filled with the incredible hand of God as his father is

originally from Israel and his mother is from the USA. God has used his family history to give him a great ability to learn languages and embrace all cultures. He is fluent in Spanish and knows some Arabic, Hebrew, and even Russian. His ministry experience and willingness to love all people groups will make him a great ministry partner in missions. Most importantly, I love him and he loves me!

Russ and I will be married on **August 5th, 2017**. Yes, you are invited to the wedding! (Save the date--it will be held at the Indiana A/G District Campground in Hartford City, Indiana. Official invitations will follow.) Because Russ is currently not approved as a missionary, I will need to go through the process of approval again as a married couple with the Assemblies of God World Missions Board. The interview process will likely be in October 2017. Then we can begin raising our support to return to the mission field...**so please continue your prayers and financial support... as the mission work will continue!**

Please pray with us as we are seeking God's will in which country God may be calling us to serve in as missionaries. I love South Africa! The people have become my family. As my heart rejoices in the future with Russ, it is also grieving over the possible changes of leaving a place I love so dearly. We are both willing to return to South Africa, but we are also asking, "Where is the greatest need? Where does God want us to serve as husband and wife?"

Since returning to South Africa in January 2017 after an amazing month in the USA, God has continually given me peace in the transition of the ministry in South Africa. Our national president of the church is thrilled over my marriage. He has encouraged me that I have given many fruitful years here. The South African church will rejoice over my transition and understand I may not be able to return; but if God were to bring me back, they would count it as a blessing. Every ministry I have served in God has also been providing leadership to carry on the vision. God is faithful!

For those of you who prayed for and believed with me for God's provision of my future spouse, THANK YOU! God has answered our prayers!




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