

The SULLIVAN FAMILY

To South Africa

Our Family

We are the Sullivan family, and God has called us to be Church Planting missionaries to the country of South Africa. We were married in 2010 and we have four children. We are sent out of Fellowship Baptist church in Maryville, TN under the leadership of Pastor Tom Hatley.

Goals

- Evangelize the Lost
- Establish Local Churches
- Equip National Leadership

My Experience

- 2012-2015 Youth Pastor/Staff member at Fellowship Baptist Church, Fellowship Baptist Academy.
- 2015: 6 month internship in South Africa
- 2016-2018 - Deputation
- 2019-2020 - Language School for isiXhosa
- 2021 - Planted Fellowship Baptist Church in Motherwell



Our Vision

The fundamental problem in South Africa is the lack of Bible preaching churches among the black population. South Africa is a diverse country made up of three major races--the whites, the coloreds, and the blacks. The black population makes up close to 80% of a country of 52 million people. Although many profess to be religious, most are involved in ancestry worship and a works-based belief system. We believe that God has called us to be church planting missionaries. We want to do more than just give everyone a chance to hear, we want to plant churches. This is a huge task because of the many languages throughout South Africa. Our vision is to start churches and train leaders that will be able to effectively reach their own people.



Pastor Tom Hatley

It is my pleasure to recommend The Sullivans to South Africa. I have been privileged to be Josh and Meagan's pastor since their childhood. Both have a love for Christ and have a tremendous desire to share the gospel with the Xhosa people of South Africa. Josh has completed four years of classroom work in our Bible Institute, which is a satellite school of Macedonia Baptist College in Midland, North Carolina. I personally mentored Josh and he has served with me as a staff member of Fellowship Baptist Church. Josh's responsibilities included: teen ministry, bus ministry, and teaching in our Christian School.

Meagan also... *Check website for full recommendations

We have planted our first church. Fellowship Baptist Church in Motherwell, South Africa. Motherwell is a subsection in the city of Port Elizabeth. It is the largest 'township' in the city. A township is a suburb or city of predominantly black occupation, formerly officially designated for black occupation by apartheid legislation. Even though apartheid has ended these areas are still nearly 100% black.



Motherwell consists of over 400,000 people and our church is the only in the area that preaches the gospel of the word of God.

Josh's Testimony

I was saved at 5 years old after VBS at Fellowship Baptist Church. I was raised in church and lived a life close to God as a child. When I reached high school age I began to hang around the wrong kind of people and began to get into sin. I lived like this for about a year until, after high school ended, I began to draw back to God. I realized that even though I had left Him, He had not given up on me! Later that year I rededicated my life to God and soon after answered the call to preach. The key thing that changed my life was a mission's conference in 2010.

Meagan's Testimony

I had the honor and privilege of being raised in a Christian home, by Godly parents. Unfortunately, even as a child, I was a notorious "worry wort." That being said, I struggled with salvation for 12 years! I always believed with my head, but could never seem to settle it in my heart. Finally, at the age of 17, I trusted the Lord as my personal Savior. From that day forward, the Lord has proven Himself to me over and over. I married my husband just 2 years later, and I've watched the Lord work in both of our hearts. I look forward to serving with my husband wherever the Lord leads!*

Doctrinal Statement

- We believe in the verbal, plenary inspiration and preservation of Scriptures (KJV for English speaking people).
- We believe the Bible reveals the fall of man, the way of salvation and God's planned purpose for the ages.
- We believe in a triune God: The Father, The Son and The Holy Ghost.
- We believe in the virgin birth, the sinless life and the substitutionary death of The Lord Jesus Christ.
- We believe in Jesus Christ' resurrection from among the dead in the same body in which He was crucified, and the bodily return of this same Jesus to earth to establish His Millennial Kingdom.
- We believe in Dispensational Pre-millennialism (Pre-trib Rapture, imminent personal return).
- We believe that the Holy Ghost enters, seals, and baptizes the moment one is born into the family of God through faith in Jesus Christ, and He endues, guides, teaches, sanctifies, empowers, and keeps the believer eternally secure.
- We believe that salvation is the effect of regeneration by the Spirit and the Word; not by works, but by grace through faith in the shed blood of Christ.
- We believe in the everlasting bliss of the saved in Heaven and the everlasting suffering of the lost in the lake of fire.
- We believe in the necessity of maintaining, according to the Word of God, the purity of the church in doctrine and life (ecclesiastical and personal separation). We believe the ordinances of the local church are: believer's baptism by immersion only, and the Lord's Supper.
- We believe we have the obligation of obedience to fill the Great Commission to the best of our ability (Go, Win, Baptize and Teach).

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