



We have been leaning into the heart of Jesus, scripture, and prayer this week as our country hurts. On Monday we shared Isaiah 1:17 on our social media which says, “Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.”

Our team reflected on how OTB—our international team, ministry partners, donors, and supporters—have always shown up to help the vulnerable and marginalized in the countries where OTB operates. We are so grateful for this international family who in the name of Jesus steps in and shows up to help others through OTB Super Kitchens. Each meal prepared is a glimmer of hope. Each bowl a sign of love.

Read on to see that despite everything that is happening, we’re still serving.

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## SEEING GOD MOVE IN SOUTH AFRICA



The stay-at-home orders of the COVID-19 crisis continues to have a life-threatening impact for families who are struggling to put food on the table. We are praying for the decisions being made by governments around the world that they will be granted wisdom on how to move forward with the least amount of lives lost. All our international directors have been in touch with local government officials to see how they can help during this time of need.

The South Africa Super Kitchen partnered with their province’s social service department to distribute 700,000 portions of porridge to families in Fisantekraal, a low-income housing area

close to Cape Town (the pallets of porridge are pictured above). It took two semi-trucks and an armed escort to make sure it arrived safely. Once delivered to a central location, the porridge was distributed by pastors and volunteers to the 7,000 families in need.

A week later, another 3 tons (6,000 pounds) of porridge was picked up. But get this, the people who made the deliveries to families in the township of Manenberg, are gang members who have called a ceasefire during this lockdown. Marais, one of OTB South Africa's directors, sent this link to a video of how God is moving in Manenberg: <https://www.iol.co.za/news/south-africa/western-cape/watch-gangs-in-manenberg-call-truce-to-help-community-weather-lockdown-46589588>.

Marais' text on WhatsApp ended with, "This is so, so amazing. God is moving." What a beautiful and unexpected outcome during this hard time.

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## CELEBRATING A GRAND OPENING



The team in South Africa continues to get creative in meeting food needs with social distancing orders in place. This week the South Africa Super Kitchen opened its doors to the public with the launch of the OTB Food Factory Shop. They share, "During the global COVID-19 pandemic, the need for affordable groceries became evident as the pandemic caused many people to lose their income. Our aim is to serve that market. Proceeds generated by the shop will in turn fund our non-profit organization who strives to feed the hungry."

The shop includes well-priced necessities including canned food, long-life milk, rice, salt, sugar, macaroni, maize, porridge, freshly baked bread, and more. It is open to the public Monday-Saturday!





## OTB Mexico Update

The Mexicali and Tijuana Super Kitchens continue to put together family meal packs that are being distributed by ministry partners. These pictures were posted with the comment, "Food bags and baby clothes ready for Pastor Jose Luis and Pastor Daniel to deliver. They are also reaching kids that attended the lunch program but are not a part of the church. Thank you for all who have made this weekly food distribution and prayer ministry possible."

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## OTB Guatemala Update

We are excited to announce that Outside the Bowl was granted funds to send a shipping container of Vita Kidz Porridge to Guatemala. Vilma, who has been working to establish OTB Guatemala will be able to use the porridge to help meet food needs as well as build relationships with potential ministry partners. Join us in praying for Vilma as she works with existing organizations to figure out where the container can be housed and the contents distributed.

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## 2020 Outside the Bowl Gala

*Save the Date*  
Friday, October 2

Although things seem to be changing almost daily in regards to the coronavirus pandemic, there is one thing that we are sure of—the Outside the Bowl Gala is taking place on Friday, October 2. Save the date and be looking for more details as we move into the summer months.

Thank you for being part of Outside the Bowl as together, we feed the hungry ... body & soul!

With HOPE,

The OTB International Family