

MISSIONARY MOMENT: WAYNE and BARBARA MYERS serve in **Swaziland**. HIV/AIDS is a serious problem with 39.2 percent of the population infected; life expectancy is 37 years. Barbara recalls how, as a child, she and her family gathered around the bedside of her great-grandfather who was dying of lung cancer. Caring families rallying around Swazis dealing with death from AIDS is sadly not the norm. Blaming others is, and so is taking the sick to the sangoma (traditional healer). These actions tend to tear families apart at precisely the time they are needed the most. Your love for people and commitment to the **Cooperative Program** and gifts to the **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions** enable Wayne and Barbara to provide hope and comfort for these patients and their families. Pray for God's healing hand and for the Myers as they serve as a type of surrogate family for the Swazi people.

How can I become a Christian?

God created man and desires fellowship with us. Because of man's sinful disobedience to God, the fellowship was broken. Jesus' death on the cross paid the penalty for man's sin. He is the ONLY way man can be forgiven and enter heaven.

Receiving Jesus is as simple as A,B,C.

- A) Admit that you are a sinner in need of salvation (Rom. 3:23) and repent (Acts 3:19).
- B) Believe that Jesus is the Son of God and that He died on the cross for your sin. (Rom. 5:8).
- C) Confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. (Rom. 10:9-10).

How can I join this church?

- 1) By Baptism – by public profession of faith and baptism by immersion.
- 2) By Letter – by promise of letter of recommendation from another Baptist church and having been baptized by immersion.
- 3) By Statement – by statement of prior Christian experience and baptism by immersion by another Baptist church when no letter is obtainable.