Subject: April fools!

Dear Saints

As most of you would have realized by now, your previous mail from TrumpetNet was our 2016 April fool's joke. Few of you have responded – and those who have, have taken the mail seriously.

Just to set the record straight:

- 1. The "ANC spokesman Vusi Tshabalala" does not exist. There is no such a person.
- 2. Pres. Zuma did NOT request Christians and Churches to unite in prayer for Nkandla.
- 3. There is absolutely NO indication that Mr. Zuma cannot pay the monies ordered by the Court.
- 4. The date of 1 April does NOT appear in the Constitutional Court's ruling. (**That** had been your clue to the hoax!)
- 5. Pres. Zuma did NOT say derogatory things about Julius Malema.
- 6. In fact, there had been no media conference at all.
- 7. Last, but not least, we really don't know whether Helen Zille still giggles. She has never put down a telephone on us. In fact, we've never ever phoned her!

Would you please let us know if you've been fooled?

The least funny part of the mail was that most of you apparently took it seriously – which just comes to show us how accustomed we've grown to irrational remarks by government officials.

So not Mr. Zuma, but I, Eben, am now appealing to you to pray for our government: The Bible is quite clear on the fact that we need to pray for persons in authority (1 Tim. 2:1-2). Remember: If you haven't prayed for them – then you need to accept what you get, and you lose the right to complain about government. Everybody on earth receives the government he'd prayed (or not prayed!) for. That's a spiritual law (Rom. 13:1).

Blessings!

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