

Dear Family & Friends

We are looking forward to **Easter in April**, when we remember the death & resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ; and by His grace we can say “He is risen, He is risen indeed!” Once again, we thank God for the amazing number of opportunities to share the Good News! Thank you for partnering with us in this ministry.

Short Term Ministry – Tim returns to the UK in April. Meanwhile, he remains busy in South Africa. We marvel at the amount of work and ministry opportunities open to Tim. We sincerely hope that he will return to SWYM and use his God given skills & experience for the good of others and glory of God! We were able to combine “An Appreciation of First Aid” with Bible teaching to hundreds of Learners & Staff at various schools.

Longer Term Ministry - Please also pray that Jared & Michelle from New Zealand will get the necessary visas to work in SWYM from June 2011. They have booked their tickets but now they must get their visas to correspond with their travel tickets.

SWYM Bible Correspondence Books - We are thankful to Anita & Esther for their translations of SWYM books into Afrikaans. We have further books from Gayle which are nearing publication. **Pray** for Gayle, Gordon, and others who have promised in the UK to write or who are currently writing books, that they will know the leading of the Holy Spirit.

SWYM SCHOOLS

We have managed to keep up with all the Assemblies. Nick & I often have to go separately to schools for Monday Assemblies and sometimes on other days too.

Leon & Tim really worked well together. They travelled **more miles** these months for the additional “Appreciation of First Aid classes”, Prefects Leadership Training at ABK, Kempton Park, Adullum Mission, & Clarens.



Freddy added some ministry work with the staff at a school. In addition, **Gladys Sithole** has joined Freddy weekly in Sunnyside. Gladys was readily accepted and put to work not just in remedial teaching but on a couple of occasions have had to **supervise whole** classes – the good thing is- Gladys is a qualified High School teacher but surprised herself at how well she managed the Primary Learners and the many opportunities for the gospel! One of Freddy’s schools had a **gift of 177 filled pencil cases** as a surprise gift via SWYM. These gifts came from the ladies at CPBC who made cases and obtained many pencil cases, scissors, glue, rulers, etc. for the Teachers` classrooms. The **Educators were pleasantly surprised** and very thankful. That school is particularly needy with many orphans and disadvantaged children. Nick & I continue with our support to **Sunday School** and to leaders, Johan & Megan at CPBC.

Pastor Ivor - We thank God for sending him our way. He is an encouragement to SWYM.

Continue to pray for Leon & Tim, Wilna, Ivy & Carol, Ronell, Freddy & Gladys, Joseph & Grietjie as they continue with assemblies, Christian Union, Buddy Scheme, Clubs and remedial teaching.

Outreaches

23rd to 25th February – **Residential Prefects Leadership Training @ ABK**, Kempton Park. Pastor Sechaba, who is in his late 20’s, did some challenging bible teaching to the Prefects. The experience of using the church facilities was positive- the borrowed mattresses from Ora et Labora helped with sleeping comforts.

Monday 28th to Friday 4th March - **Clarens Outreach**, Prefects Leadership Training - We facilitated 4 mornings of training. Leon & Tim helped for 2 mornings, which we appreciated. **Pastor Irving** made this possible & it gave him a chance to observe the work in Clarens. The **Police Inspector** joined & helped with the Prefects for 1 morning. Nick & Joseph visited the **Municipality workers** for Scripture reading & prayer. Joseph is faithful as ever and we always value his input.

Outreaches continued

Grietjie is really enjoying taking the gospel each week into two schools. She did an **impromptu workshop** with us on making **musical instruments** whilst we all looked at SWYM teaching materials suitable for her use. **Meleanor** and others gave much appreciated hospitality. We returned from Clarens **rejoicing in the Lord**.

Friday 4th March - **Women's World Day of Prayer at Clarens**. I thank God for the organisation of the event and for His help in my bible address to the group.

Klerksdorp Ladies Meeting- Saturday 5th March- Another blessed morning with Pastor John & Ingrid Linton. I, Sheila, gave the bible message and Nick assisted us in constructing boxes and making templates for gift boxes.

Sat 12th March – **Team Building for a team at Adullum Mission**. Another great opportunity to combine general & gospel teaching for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. The group was teachable, willing to learn new things and work together.

13th & 14th March - **Hennenman**. On Sunday evening we did a SWYM presentation at NG Kerk, a referral from Dons Kritzinger in Clarens. We were **warmly** received and the potential for joint ministry is GREAT. On Monday, we went to two of **Ronell's** schools, with their son, **Clarke O'Donovan**. They gave us welcomed hospitality. We have further plans for Hennenman Prefects Leadership Training in May.

Leon & Tim assisted the Schools` Team at **Adullum Mission for 72 Prefects**. They are certainly hard working at Adullum!

Bibles for Learners - We are rather hoping to buy as much BIBLES as possible for only R15.00 each – a very special price and coming soon! We want to **purchase a bulk amount** to give out on outreach to schools and to Grade 7 Learners in particular. We have put in an order already. **Can you help?**

Perhaps as you read this prayer letter, you might **decide to donate** one or two bibles towards this cause. Our financial details are at the end of this newsletter.

Praise/Prayer items

Praise God for the following:

For the help of Tim these past months

That all the Leadership Training pointed to the greatest Leader of all, the Lord Jesus

That Grietjie & Joseph are so well accepted in the schools and community. Joseph goes weekly into the Municipality for ministry.

Our visa applications have been successfully submitted

For the new Hennenman contacts at the NG Kerk

Pray for the following events in April /May2011

Pray that we will get our visas swiftly

Pray that Michelle & Jared will get their visas from New Zealand for May/June

That our April Home Assignment in the UK will raise more SWYM workers & financial support

For Badplass & Barberton Outreaches-11th to 13th May

For SWYM Children & Youth in Missions at CPBC on 14th May

Hennenman Outreach - Prefects Leadership Training on 19th & 20th May

Clarens Outreach - Team Building for Police & Tshepong Staff – 30th May -4th June

That finances for the R15.00 Bibles will come in and for our regular Schools` Assemblies & SWYM Workers

Pray that God will send short & longer term workers to SWYM

With our love & prayers for a blessed Easter



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