



SWYM Schools

....Walk as children of light. Ephesians 5:8

We praise God for giving us a very encouraging period of ministry. Amidst the regular schools' work and outreaches, we also received good biblical teaching and practical skills through attendance of seminars and conferences. These included a Child Counselling Course in Clarens; Parenting & Resolving Family Conflict Conference by Dr Wayne Mack, in the north of Pretoria; Shepherding your child's heart by Margy Tripp in Pretoria; and we had more on that topic at a 3 days conference from Tedd Tripp in Pretoria at the Shepherd's Conference.



We also passed on training and experience acquired, when we conducted a Visually Speaking Seminar in Rustenburg and a Child Protection Seminar in Clarens.

It was a welcome time of necessary learning for us. We also received very positive feedback and thank you cards from Learners & Educators regarding the Bible teaching we do at their schools. It is all thanks to God, our heavenly Father, for making hearts tender towards His word and the application of it to everyday living.

Ruth Phillips was able to cover one of our schools whilst we were in Clarens, and she will be able to cover two schools for us whilst we are away on Home Assignment in the UK. She very quickly found a warm welcome amongst the Educators & Learners.

Please continue to pray for **Uncle Freddy & Aunt Gladys** as they labour within the inner city schools.

Leon, though busy with his Pastorate, continues to keep up with his 5 areas of ministry **on Mondays** and Christian Union on Fridays.

Marge Vice & Ronell remains busy in their allocated schools and prison ministry. **Gayle** has commenced work on **another book** for the Bible Correspondence book series. She has been fully occupied managing the books for the **African Pastors' Conferences** - a growing ministry!

Outreaches & Training

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE BOOKS & ADMINISTRATION

Anita Dekker is progressing this work very effectively. She has translated a few of the books into Afrikaans. Do **pray** that these will get to the right people. We thank God for answering prayers in sending Anita along to us.



Outreaches & Training, continued

Clarens Outreach – 7th to 11th May.

Give thanks for another full week of ministry at Assemblies, Bible Clubs; Municipality Workshop; and Bible stories and singing with the children at Tshepong. We conducted the Child Protection Seminar at the Centre. Many people from **different agencies** attended which was most encouraging. We also ministered at a Learning Disability Centre on this occasion, and renewed links with the local police.

Saturday 5th May - SWYM Visually Speaking Training @ Rustenburg

The organising church, which invited and hosted this event, did a splendid job with advertising and hospitality. A **good number** of people attended from the various local churches. They were keen learners and active participants. We had plenty of questions and comments. The entire seminar was recorded for DVD church distribution. We hope to return later in the year to conduct follow up training.

UK - Home Assignment from 1st June

We shall be busy with church visitation in the UK which means giving **live reports** on what we have been doing in South Africa. Pray that we will get to all our appointments with the transportation provided and that we will keep in good health. Nick will also be preaching at least on six occasions. We plan to enjoy family visits too. As we make plans to travel to the UK, we are reminded that we have been in South Africa for **8 years** now. How we thank God for his kind provisions and tender mercies. He has given us a burden & love for the young people of Southern Africa. *Pray for them!*

Praise/Prayer items

Praise God for the following:

For the many encouragements in ministry from Educators & Learners
That Ruth Phillips can cover schools` assemblies
For strength and ability to conduct the Child Protection Seminar and Visually Speaking Seminar
That we were able to receive additional sound biblical teaching
For meeting our daily needs and for granting daily protection

Pray for the following events:

For on - going short and long term voluntary workers
That all SWYM workers will practice sound, biblical instructions with Jesus Christ in strong focus
Pray that our UK church visitation will bear fruit- that God`s people will pray, will give and will volunteer their time for short or long term ministry with SWYM

Friends, we thank you for your prayers & support of us in ministry. We are encouraged, be blessed and encouraged too - God is at work in Southern Africa.

With our love, prayers & grateful thanks, Nick and Sheila Court

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