

**Greetings to All,**

**September/October**

Not sure where summer went, but its gone and it seems winter is fast on her heels. As I write our mail box seems to grow with political advertisements like mushrooms over night. Each one appealing to us to vote for them in their fight against any number of causes. To be sure, some very worthy of our attention. However, in light of what we see in our mission work in Africa, together with what I experience as a local preacher, there is no greater urgency than that of sharing the message of HOPE in Jesus with those who are heading in the wrong direction. This truly warrants our full attention. Oh that we can capture the energy and zeal of our political world and let it loose into the Kingdom of GOD here on earth. To be sure that zeal does exist in other areas of the world. God continues to BLESS us in our ministry in South Africa with just over TWO conversions every day of the year. This has been true for almost the past THREE years now and there are no signs of any decrease as far as we can determine. **WE ESPECIALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED PRAYERS AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT.**

**SUNRISE PRESCHOOL**

The attendance at our pre-school continues to fluctuate , sometimes with no apparent reason. Community environment, including health—HIV/Aids, unemployment and a very transient population together with marginal funds for food and our ability to adequately take care of our teachers and workers play their part. In spite of these issues we have averaged over 50 in school this year with a current enrollment of 30 students. These are broken down in the following categories: 2-3 year olds 11; 4 yr. olds 8 and 5yr olds 11. The community environment is beginning to change for the better. This gives us great hope, but change is painfully slow. Despite this, the school plays an essential role in being able to impart Biblical truth to the children (and adults) and give them a sound grounding in certain aspects of learning skills. Educational studies have shown that children have normally formed their core moral values by the age of 6-8 years old. In Sunrise the children start the morning with a devotional, after which they are given a hot breakfast – normally porridge. Activities begin after they have eaten and have washed the food from their hands and faces. Daily activities include (age appropriate) : Bible memory verses; shapes; counting numbers; colors; shapes; the 5 senses; poems; pledges; stories; writing; bookwork. Then it is time for social interaction and relationship building (playtime), before having a simple cooked lunch.



**LUNCH when times are GOOD**

***GETTING TO KNOW A CHILD***

**Prince Sigwephu** was born in October 2010 to a young teenage student. His mother, a teenager, normally attends school during the days. So, until Prince was brought to Sunrise, he was looked after by his grandparents and aunts, who all live in a 3 room shack house in a close industrial area. Nobody in the household is employed (unemployment is about 67%), and the meager government grant given to the grandfather (\$130/mth.) and the child grant (\$30/mth.) for Prince has to sustain the entire household. It is a very difficult, but common situation in South Africa. At present it is estimated that 16 million people in South Africa of 49 million (almost 1/3) receive social grants.

Prince, together with his classmates, are fed 2 hot meals per day, give an education, lots of love and learn social skills. A far cry as to what is an ideal situation, but far better than what the children experience when left at home to be potentially abused, beaten, neglected and sometimes even raped and murdered for body parts. A very bleak existence for one so small and vulnerable. **Thank you to everyone who is involved in some way with this part of our ministry and the plight of such small people**



**PRINCE**

## MOSEME'S MEANDERINGS

The mobile teaching tent continues to be used to great effect in the Tshepong and Waterdaal areas. The only deterrent is the inhibitive cost of transporting the tent from one area to the other. The people have continued to ask that it can remain in Tshepong, as there is no place to meet for services or studies. There have been as many as 80 people squished and overflowing for Sunday services.

Recently 30 Bibles were given to the older people in this area. Unfortunately, some of them are unable to read English. They have been encouraged to ask their grandchildren/children to read to them. Great natural evangelism. These bibles were a true blessing to these folk who sincerely wish to study the Word of God. At present Moseme is using the WBS course "Knowing Jesus" as study material with this group. It is an excellent resource, and can be easily adapted to fit this type teaching method.

One of the more mature people in this group is **Alinah Majola**, a 75 year old seeker of God. She related that from the age of 20 to 28 she attended the Roman Catholic Church. She met and married her husband at 28. Unfortunately, he did not share her spiritual thirst, and tended to find his solace in alcohol and became a very abusive spouse. **Alinah** eventually divorced him and also left her church as she was not allowed to take part in any activities of the church because of the divorce. She attended the Apostolic Faith church, until the age of 60, when she left this church. She recollected that the reasons were that there were too many similarities between the previous churches and that the Truth of God's Word was not taught and explained. She is now so grateful for how our LORD has brought the Truth to her via R & T ministries and those associated with it.



Alinah Majola & Moseme

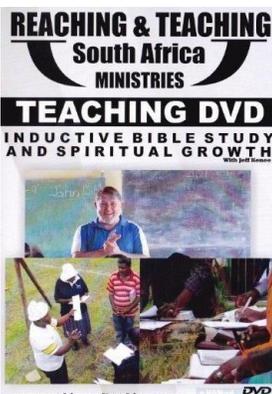
On learning more about the love of her Savior, Jesus, she broke down in tears asking that she be born again to enter His family and Kingdom before she dies.

## BILLY SEFATSA'S SUMMARY

**Bro. Billy** is one of our longest serving evangelists who has and continues to wrestle with his own issues and still stays very FAITHFUL to God. During the Wednesday leadership classes **Bro. Sefatsa** starts his 1<sup>st</sup> year class at 9am. This was at the request of the students so they could have enough time for Prayer and devotional time together with some question and answer time before the official start time of 10 am. This has become a very popular change of schedule and a number of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year students also arrive early to join the early class. Please remember that some students walk for up to 2 hours to attend these classes. Topics being covered at present are foundational beliefs and personal evangelism.

By 10 am the 2nd yr. students move to their own venue to be taught more in depth studies on basic doctrines and topics dealing with ancestral spirits and death counselling.

**Sister Thembe Ngema**, a graduate from 2008, has volunteered to return to teach a specialty course on grief and trauma counseling. For the past 4 years she has been recruited by the governmental department of social work, and trained internationally in these fields, as well as in the areas of abandoned and orphaned children. She is sent to various countries in the world and towns in our country to conduct workshops and seminars covering these topics. For the months of August and September sister **Ngema** has been equipping all the leadership students in these areas.



The Saturday leadership classes continue to be taught in 5 different venues, with an additional venue initiated in Boipatong on the 7<sup>th</sup> September. **Brother Jeff's** dvd on **Inductive Bible study** and **Growing to Maturity** is being utilized to teach this new class.

More leaders are expressing an interest in being trained for prison ministry. The **Newlife Behavior team** is being approached to assist in training all of the leadership students to use this curriculum format in the prison system.

## RUSTENBURG OUTREACH

Bro. Patrick was able to visit **Lindile**, one of the leadership students from 2010, in the area of **Mogwase**, in the North West state. After being taught in the leadership training school, **Bro. Lindile** left his employment in the Soweto radio station to begin a ministry in this **Rustenburg** area. This is about 100 miles NW of Johannesburg. He and his son moved from the town of Rustenburg to a rural village of **Mogwase**, about 40 miles to the East of Rustenburg.



**Lindile and his wife Philindie**

This is an area populated by many nationalities and language groups. Over the next 2 years **Bro. Lindile** established good rapport with the people of this area. The local chief has allowed him to take up residence in one of the houses. The congregation began under a tree, progressed to meet in the small houses of a few of the members, and then was granted some land. All of the 40 members purposed to erect a building to meet in. Every member took something to build the shack building. This could have been a piece of wood for the door, or an old piece of sheet metal (corrugated iron) for the roof. Money is in short supply in this very rural setting, so people contributed what other materials they had. This “building” has been extended twice. The membership has grown to just over 130 in attendance. There are nationals from at least 7 different countries represented and more than 10 language groups.

Patrick had the pleasure of taking Russell, his son-in-law, and Gideon, one of his friends on the visit. They arrived at 10:30 a.m. for the 11 a.m. meeting, which began at 2 p.m. **Br. Lindile** was so excited he took them all for a walk around part of the village to show the history of the growth of the church and to meet some of the members and interesting people who lived there. All the people were extremely friendly and gave a warm and encouraging welcome to their guests. (Remember this part of Africa is still governed by the old tribal system)

Patrick wrote :- “One of our reasons for visiting was to encourage **Br. Lindile** in his outreach ministry, to give them 250 Bibles, and a set of teaching books for his leadership training classes, and to present him with one of the mobile training tents. He and his team have already started new congregations in 2 of the neighboring villages, so the mobile tent will be a valuable tool in further training and outreach”.

Future meetings are planned to meet the chief and leaders of the area to discuss plans to assist them in developing a preschool; clinic; library and vegetable project in their own village. Our Lord has opened a huge door for us in this region and we are endeavoring to utilize it to the best of our abilities so that the church and a leadership equipping center can be established in this new vicinity.

*We are Extremely Grateful for your continued Prayerful and Financial support.*

*Blessings from Jeff & Patrick Kenee and the team of R & T Ministries in South Africa*

Thank you for partnering with us in this incredible work that God has given us in South Africa.  
Blessings  
Jeff



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