

A Glorious Moment...

“LIFE IS NOT MEASURED BY THE NUMBER OF BREATHS WE TAKE,
BUT BY THE MOMENTS THAT TAKE OUR BREATH AWAY.”

- GEORGE CARLIN



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Upcoming Events

- Having a leadership retreat in the third week of May.
- Having a teacher's Seminar on May 29th.
- Pastor Ohm will be in North America in May to the AL conference and speaking engagements.
- African Leadership Conference in Montreal.

Being Transparent

I can't believe it's come time to renew my visa again! It's been almost 3 years since I moved to South Africa and God continues to mould and refine me. I am in constant reflection, trying to make the best decisions for the LOVEa ministry and as I see what has already been accomplished I am in awe by the way God has touched this mission. The leadership team is doing well and we will be holding another retreat in May to talk about the program's sustainability without my guidance. I'd like to think that the ministry is ready to be self sufficient however I often ponder if I should stay one more year? Pastor Ohm has asked me to take over another ministry and take fewer responsibilities with LOVEa ministry. I love the idea of a new challenge; however, I want to make sure I've made an informed decision. The future is full of uncertainties – if I were to move back to Canada, I wouldn't know what to do next?

I am running out of ministry funds to stay in South Africa, so I question whether God wants me to stay. When I left Canada to go back to South Africa in January 2009 I did not raise enough money to stay for another 2 years. I decided to go on faith, that if God really wanted me here he would continue to provideand provide he did.

I told Pastor Ohm that I only had a few months of ministry money left to stay in South Africa and he told me to share it with my prayer partners. The very next day I received an e-mail from a person whom I didn't really know and she told me that she had heard about my financial situation and she had found 4 donors committed for the year. Again, here I was in complete amazement of how God answers prayers! As I said before, I don't know what the future holds for me??? Do I leave at the end of this year or stay one more year? I've learned that God always gives us just enough to do his work but please continue to pray for me as I make this decision.

Praise Items and Prayer Request

- Pray for the German team as they adjust back home from their mission trip in South Africa.
- Pray for the all the land issues to be resolved before we build the other schools.
- Pray for Tobi to find a job and a university to attend as he is back in Germany now.
- Pray for Pastor Ohm as he heads to North America for the AL conference and speaking engagements.
- Pray for the African Leadership Conference in Montreal this month.
- Pray for the Leadership retreat in the third week in May.

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A Khayelitsha Moment...

"I have found that there are three stages in every great work of God: First, it is impossible, then it is difficult, then it is done."

- Hudson Taylor



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The site of the new school, but construction got stopped while building the foundation.

OPPOSITION

Praise Items and Prayer Request

- Pray that for each land that we build on that we won't have anymore opposition.
- Pray that the community and the city can be in partnership with African Leadership to help sustain and build their community with these building that we build.
- Pray for the people who are going to use the building.
- Pray that the building will always be used for God's Kingdom.

Khayelitsha is being transformed each day and I believe the World cup has been a big influence on these changes. Streets are being revamped, trees are being planted and housing projects are being constructed everywhere you go! The informal settlements are being pushed out of the city and I'm beginning to see more brick housing.

Just outside of Khayelitsha we received two pieces of land in Nkanni called Better Life Community. The German team received permission from the community to build this past month, however the decision was opposed from the City of Khayelitsha and they had to stop.



Praying over the new Youth Centre land.

Better Life Community is not considered an informal settlement anymore because it's being developed with brick housing; however, there are more restrictions for building new structures. We are now in the waiting process to see if the City will allow us to continue our plans.

Without wasting any time, the German Team went to build a youth centre at another informal settlement on the other side of Nkanni. As the team was reaching the completion of this building, the surrounding neighbours began to complain. With that said, we are now in the midst of community discussions to resolve the issues. Please continue to pray for the future of the new structures as we seem to be running into a lot of restrictions and oppositions.