

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

- Nonkuluelko trail Jan. 18th.
- African Leadership Retreat on Jan. 12-15th.
- Having a teacher's leadership retreat on the 2nd week of February.
- Pastor Ohm traveling to North America in two weeks.

2010

Happy New Years Everyone! I hope everyone had time over the holiday season to relax and enjoy time with family and friends. I look forward to sharing my new adventures from South Africa with you this year!

With each New Year, as many people do – I like to take the time to reflect on the goals I set for myself in the previous year. This year I asked myself, “Did I fulfill my life mission statement?” I'm happy to say that the answer is “YES”! Yes, I did live my life to the fullest in 2009 and I truly embraced every adventure my life journey took me on. I am so thankful that God has given me the opportunity to be a missionary in South Africa. I am even more thankful that he has enabled me to be a woman of influence – allowing me to make a lasting impression on others and to invest and mobilize a future generation of people out to live their purpose for God's Kingdom! God, you have blessed the Lily of the Valley Educare Association Ministry this past year and I thank you for your guiding hand.

As the pages of the 2010 are still unwritten, I'm excited to see what God's will, will reveal to us this year! I will continue to set positive goals for myself and as of current, I have decided to work on fulfilling my other mission statement – to glorify God and enjoy him through knowing and serving Jesus Christ. My love relationship with Christ Jesus has always been a yo-yo experience for me and I pray that this year I will experience “God's will”. Not God's will for my life, but **God's Will!**

For my devotions this month I have been studying the book, “Experiencing God” written by Henry T. Blackaby and I am reminded that as I follow Jesus one day at a time, he will keep me in the centre of God's will. Other reminders that the book has given me are as follows; Jesus is my way. I don't need a roadmap. Jesus is my role model. I need to look closer to see what God wants. I need to study the scriptures and make decisions and evaluate my experiences based on biblical principles. The bible is my guide for faith and practice. A good question to ask is, “What is God's will?” Then I can watch to see where God is working and join him. God is always at work around us. To learn to be a servant of God I must be mouldable and I must remain in the master's hand. Apart from God, I can do nothing. God can do anything through me. I come to know God by experience as I obey him and he accomplishes his work through me. God works through his servants. God reveals what he is about to do. The revelation becomes an invitation to join him. I can't stay the way I am and go with God. He is able to do anything he pleases with one ordinary person fully consecrated to him. God's standards of excellence are different from mans.

I pray that your 2010 pages that are still unwritten will be filled with God's amazing grace and wonder! Embrace it and enjoy it to the fullest!

FOR THE KINGDOM!

With much love, Glory
xoxo

Praise Items and Prayer Request

- Pray for all the ministries in African Leadership as they start their ministries again.
- Pray for all the teachers and students as they start a new year.
- Pray for the African Leadership Retreat on Jan. 12-15th.
- Pray for Mama Nosandla's sister, Linda (one of the teachers at the Crystal school) died this past Sunday.
- Pray that I can get ready to set a vision for next year.
- Pray for Nonkuluelko's trail on Jan. 18th.

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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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Together Forever (Ngcobo)

Praise Items and Prayer Request

- Pray for Mama Sylvia as she continues to have problems with men respecting her as a women pastor and as a preschool teacher.
- Pray that the Together Forever Preschool will flourish because of the great exposure she had at the graduation ceremonies.
- Pray that the children will continue to grow in the knowledge that Jesus loves them and that it will carry them throughout the rest of life.

In October we had 4 pastors from the rural area staying at the mission house for 1 week. They have been involved in the Transkei ministries for almost 10 years and Pastor Ohm decided to bring them down to Cape Town to have a mini retreat. During this time I found out that there was a preschool in the Transkei area and that I was also in charge of that school. They were having their first graduation this year and they moved the date to Nov 21st so that Pastor Ohm and I could attend. At first I thought this was impossible because I was swamped with my own graduation here, but felt the need to attend. So I did. I was thankful that another local coordinator, Chicken, came with us because he helped drive 12 hours to Transkei and 12 hours back to Cape Town in my car.

When we arrived, I found out that the 1/3 of the kids graduating were only 3 years old. I asked Mama Sylvia why they were graduating when they needed to be at least 5 years of age. She told me that the parents of these children did not think their children would make it to another graduation therefore; they wanted them to graduate this time to make sure it happened.

Pastor Ohm donated two sheep to the group and they were busy preparing the food for two days. The graduation was a wonderful community event a perfect opportunity to showcase Mama Sylvia's skills as a teacher and promote her school. The parents were very supportive and they gave the children, Mama Sylvia and even the guests' gifts. I was quite surprised by their generosity. Yet another successful graduation!!

Together Forever Educare (Area: Ngcobo) Information:

Children in attendance: approx. 25.

Principal: Mama Sylvia