

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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Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow

I couldn't believe it! On Tuesday, June 15th, 2010 I experienced my first snowfall while living in South Africa. Seeing the beauty of the snow on the mountains reminded me of Vancouver and for a while there I felt like I was back in British Columbia. I wanted to share this exquisiteness with one of the local coordinators named Lucky, so the following Friday we drove just outside of Cape Town so he could have his first encounter with snow. We climbed over 2 ½ hours to get to the top of the mountain and even though we were trekking in snow that came up to our knees we were in such a delightful mood! After watching Lucky enjoy the snow, it made me think of all the beautiful snowfalls I'd taken for granted while living in Canada. Therefore I made sure to take this rare occasion to truly appreciate nature's gift.

This day was special for Lucky and even more, an opportunity for him to learn about snow. That Friday, Lucky learned how to roll a snowball, make a snowman with a carrot for a nose, and how to create a snow angel plus so much more! I must admit, although it was fun to teach Lucky about all the wonders of snow it was even more fun to have a taste of my youth again through all the play.

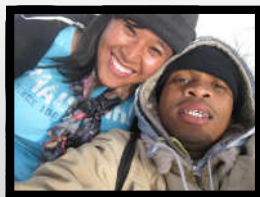
I would like to thank everyone who generously donated towards Nozuko's transportation fee so she could travel to school. When I told her about the donations, she was ecstatic and incredibly thankful. Since Nozuko found out that she is able to remain in school she came upon a wonderful opportunity. She was chosen to represent her school in Sweden next September for a two week all expense paid trip. God is truly working through this young woman, and her love for the Lord shines as she follows his will. Thank you all once again for giving this woman an opportunity of a lifetime!

We received another gift of 92 trees to plant at 4 local schools! The trees will be delivered at the end of the month so that the African Leadership board members from America can have the opportunity to plant the trees while they are here to watch the World Cup. Yes, the World Cup is finally here and I've enjoyed watching the soccer games at the Fan Fest downtown, at my friend's homes and at one live game at the Cape Town Stadium (Nose bleed section). Like I said in a previous newsletter, experiencing the World Cup almost makes up for the 2010 Olympics I missed in Vancouver. I wish you were all here to share this exciting time with me.

To all my prayer partners, I would like you to know that your prayers are effective and valued. Lives are changing, and by watching so many people move in a positive direction you really are a part of this experience here with me even though we are at a distance. Thank-you for making a difference in so many lives!

Praise Items and Prayer Request

- Continue to pray for Mama Nosandla's health and court case.
- Pray for Lucky as he starts a new ministry with the youth in the Children's ministry in Khayelitsha.
- Pray for the World Cup.
- Pray for the schools as they have a low attendance due to the holidays.



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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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Donation from Game!



Full Circle

I am happy to report that God has turned Tembisa's life a full 180 degrees. Almost two years ago I had shared a sad story about her...

In September 2009, during the open house at a newly built school, Tembisa, the Principal was raped and stabbed by her husband in the early hours of the morning but was dancing and rejoicing that same evening. Throughout the years her family has struggled with the trauma, hostility and many visits to the hospital for rehabilitation. The amazing thing about this woman is her resilient spirit and positive attitude. Through her life examples and faithfulness to God, he has overflowed her cup with many blessings these past two years:

- Last year Mocha Club donated a brand new playground for the school

- There are an abundance of children in attendance at the school. Everyday she has between 100-120 students and they keep on having to renovate to make space for everyone.

-This past month she received a donation from the Game store. Donations included a folding cupboard on wheels, it was full of toys and supplies adding up to R15000. This was greatly needed as toys and supplies were scarce.

-For the cherry on top of the cake... Tembisa married a wonderful man on June 11th who is completely devoted not only her but to Christ as well.

Remember to be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God is with you! (1 Chronicles 28:20)

Praise Items and Prayer Request

- Pray that Tembisa's second marriage will be God blessed.
- Pray for Tambisa's children to adjust to the new man in their lives.
- Pray for guidance and direction for the Ubukhobakhe Preschool..
- Pray for the teachers to be the best that they can be in their field. Let them not be discouraged by the low wages and high number of children in each classroom.
- Pray that God will continue to watch over the school and protect it.