



September / October 2011 Newsletter

We kindly greet you in the mighty Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth!

On a personal note

I just recently finished reading a book called "Blood in the Sand by Benny Hinn", and was again reminded of the grace of God towards us in this beautiful country, South Africa. I would like to share this remark by Benny: "This can be our greatest hour as we proclaim the gospel boldly, no matter what is transpiring in this world. Prophetically, we are eyewitnesses to one of the most amazing turning points in all of history, and we must be aware of the fact that this could very well be our last chance to share God's love. The end of this age is quickly approaching, and while there is still time, our Lord Jesus has called us to tell all nations that He is the Lamb of God, slain for the sins of the world. "Hinn Benny, Blood in the Sand (Florida: Frontline, 2009), 222". My prayer is that God would use this ministry as a vehicle to share his love!

Fieldwork news

In the last newsletter I mentioned a cell group who wanted to partner with Khula to become the hands and feet of Jesus in our local community. After telling them about Margie (one of our Khula women support group members), they decided to build Margie a new house. With a wonderful group effort they put up a new Wendy house for Margie and really contributed towards a better quality of life for her. She gave her life to Jesus in the week before she was blessed with her new house, and we can testify that God's timing is always perfect. She is still fighting the effects of alcoholism, but is truly striving towards complete healing. (See our exciting new video clip about the Margie-project)

The Khula team also visited the ministry of Danny Arendse in Amstelhof. Danny, in partnership with 3 other churches, works with the poor by bringing the message of the gospel and also by providing food for the hungry. Khula donated 37 chairs to Danny's ministry as some of the older people were left standing during the services and also stood in long queues while waiting for the food. We are looking forward to minister together with Danny as some of the parents of our out-of-school children attend his services.

In the Drakenstein Palliative Hospice Newsletter no 31, Khula is mentioned as one of their most successful network partners. For that we are truly thankful. Through Khula the following projects are held at Butterfly House in Fairylands.

- a women's support group
- discipleship group
- two therapeutic groups with Social work students
- out-of-school youth project Street children

Two Social Work students from UWC, Khula and Butterfly House staff worked together to get some very deprived young boys off the street and involved in a support group. This culminated recently in an Awareness Workshop where the Police, Social Development and various local service providers came together to listen to the boys involved and cooperate to best address their needs. Currently Danny Arendse is helping with this group by investing time and mentorship into these boys. Services includes a bath on Wednesdays, provided by the staff at Butterfly House, a meal, health tips on hygiene, social skills, communication and help to the community by cleaning the area around the facility of the community centre. We also share the love of Jesus with them and recently saw what

the effects of giving them a hug, had on them. Our dream is still to motivate them to be involved with sport activities, the growing of a vegetable garden and computer classes. The reality is that because they still need the basic building blocks of life like values and morals, this is extremely difficult.

Women support group

The women support group is still going strong. We are aware of the hardship and suffering of these women and every week we become more aware of the influence of tik and drug abuse on the community. Khula is really trying to support these women in their daily struggle to give their children and grandchildren the necessary advice and love. They finished their project on Paper Mache and were very proud to show their pieces after completion. One of the girls who are abandoned by her parents and is attending our support group every week, were placed in a place of safety. We still fetch her to come to the weekly meetings and can see what the wonderful effect of love and care has on her life. We were grateful that through Khula, God pulled her out of her hopeless, abusive environment and show her His amazing love!

The Khula team

Our Khula team workers are working hard and some are really experiencing hardship in their own marriages and families. Please keep them in your prayers. We know that Paul reminds us not to lose hope, but to carry on until we reach the finish line. That is truly their motivation.

Miracle news

One of our Khula workers was diagnosed with possible breast cancer. We prayed and after final tests the diagnoses were negative. We thank God for His grace and mercy for Minnie.

Prayer Requests

The street children's program and what God has in plan for this.
Our Khula workers and their own families.

Relationship with other ministry partners e.g. Butterfly House, schools and churches.

The outing for our woman support group to Gordon's Bay and Strand on Tuesday 15 November.

The outing for 50 children to a horse farm outside Paarl on 5 December.

Be blessed!

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