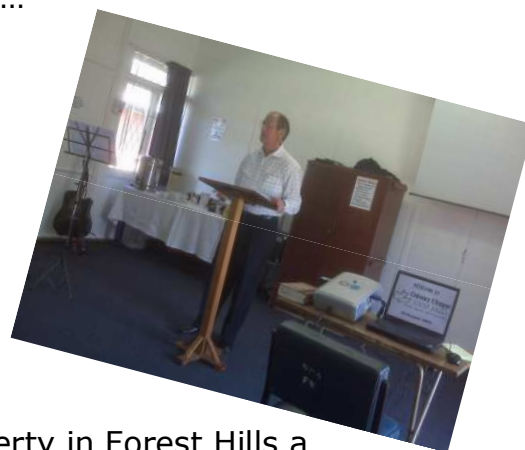


*You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt.5:14)*

Spring has sprung and it is almost as if someone just flicked a switch on in KZN, like clockwork our gardens have sprung to life in an explosion of beautiful colours. The perks of living in KZN are the gardens, the warm weather, and the warm ocean, things that we love. The downside of KZN is the crime, something we have experienced first hand recently as our combi was hijacked. On a more positive note, we are very excited as we plan to move to our own church premises at the end of October. More follows...

➤ **Church Meetings:**

- **Sunday Morning Service** – In August we had our very first outside guest speaker, Trevor Wood. Trevor has become a good friend of mine and is in full time ministry as a preacher / teacher, he travels all over the country speaking so we were blessed to have him come teach at our fellowship. The next week Julian, Monica, and Grace were with us and Julian preached that Sunday.



- *The new premises* - I had investigated a commercial property in Forest Hills a few months ago as a possible meeting place for us as a church, at the time there was no space available for us. Out of the blue the owner contacted me and offered us a room at a great price. We discussed it and prayed as a church and eventually felt that this is where the Lord is leading us. So from the 1<sup>st</sup> of November we will be moving to Forest Drive, Forest Hills. We have been sharing the school premises with another church and could only get access to our room on Sunday mornings, having our own place is going to open up many opportunities and we are very excited about this move.



- **Mid-Week Fellowship** – It has been awesome watching our group grow in their spiritual lives. Listening to the discussions, answering the questions, and hearing the people pray for each other is wonderful and very encouraging for me.

➤ **Ministries:**

- **School Ministry** – After doing a creation series at the school we are now teaching through Genesis. It has been a time of revelation for the kids and sometimes has felt like a revolution for us. Some kids have now not only turned from the humanism of evolution but have also put their faith in the Lord, praise God!
- **Surf Ministry** – This ministry was hit the hardest by the loss of the combi, we have had to stop completely with the school surf club as we simply don't have the transport anymore. Please pray that we can somehow get this started again in the future. We did

another "Walking on Water" outreach in Kloof and it was a great evening of music, the movie, testimony, sharing the gospel, and Mitch's band did worship again.

- **Molweni Ministry** – We started our new overview of the Bible course in Molweni and this has been going well. We were using the combi to transport people to the meetings on Thursday nights and it was on the way back from this study that we got hijacked; as we look back we clearly see the Lords protection on us. One of the guys has a bakkie so we have been using this and the meeting continues on.
- **Junior Youth** – The Junior youth started off slow in the third term. So we prayed, put out more flyers, put up some posters, and then suddenly we exploded in numbers. It was a great term and a real blessing to be ministering to all the kids. We have got our teenagers from the church helping and we are using this to grow them too as they help minister to others.



- **Love Them Like Jesus** – What a joy it was to be able to get a team & the finances together and to go and spend a week working at the orphanage. The YWAM team that helped us was an amazing bunch of guys and a real blessing to us. We managed to get lots of painting and repairs done. We have been given more finances recently & are in the process of repairing & replacing all the children's play equipment, praise the Lord.



### ➤ **New Ministry:**

- **Men's Breakfast** – We had our first meeting in July and it was a wonderful time for the men to fellowship and encourage each other.
- **Senior Youth** – We also started this ministry (Ignite) during the third term. We felt the call and saw the need as there is nothing for the teenagers in our community to do except go to nightclubs. We have been having the meetings at our home but will move it to the new premises from November. So far it has just been the church kids so we plan to do outreach when we move.



Please continue to pray for us and for the work here.

Yours in Christ,  
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