



JOSHUA

PRAYER WARRIOR

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CEO'S COMMENT

alan stephenson

Dear Prayers,

Each "Warrior" edition represents a milestone of progress and spiritual history! Thanks for participating in it with us. Still overseas on furlough are Allan and Sue Dow (planning to return in October 08), Owen and Lois Wagener (Lois returns in 2 weeks), and Paul and Sally Carstensen and family (they'll be back end of June). Richard and Jenny Wagener are on an Australia working tour, and will be on field again come late July. I will be travelling overseas from mid-July to October (UK, US, New Zealand and Australia), and would value your prayers

PRAISE God for....

His constant faithfulness in all areas

PRAYER focus for....

Refreshing furloughs and effective ministry for all team members now overseas
Alan's forthcoming travels and ministry

See following for more information regarding each of our departments

EDUCATION

lynda stephenson

Early April saw 50+ teachers gather for our first ever Joshua Teachers Training College alumni conference. We were joined by a team of teachers from Perimeter Christian School, Atlanta, Georgia. The conference was a huge success, teachers left equipped, empowered and inspired – all that we were praying for. Thank you for praying with us! The teachers are clamoring for more!!

The following week we started a 4 week phonics course run by Evelyn Garrard from Light Educational Ministries in Australia. Evelyn was very impressed with how well our students did, and as I write students are out in schools putting into practice what they have learnt. Now the pastors want to learn how to speak English correctly!! Looks like lots of potential for developing this program...

These last 3 weeks our student teachers have been out on teaching practice in 4 different Christian schools, including Joshua Primary School. The 6 students for JPS arrived to find our school very understaffed, with 7 teachers sick, some in hospital with malaria. We are told it is the season for malaria.

Please pray with us that our school doesn't live under that declaration, but are strong and healthy by faith and the power of the Holy Spirit. We are still having staffing issues in the secondary school and need to find more staff over the next few months. It is very difficult to recruit staff for Magugu. But we know God is faithful and are putting our trust in Him.

Janet has returned – yay! – and brought with her sister who is doing a wonderful job of creating wooden blocks and puzzles for schools, and training Godson our Tanzanian carpenter, to carry on this project when she leaves. What a blessing!

PRAISE God for....

A fabulous alumni conference and desire teachers expressed for more
A highly successful phonics course, the generous contribution of Light Educational Ministries, and the desire of Tanzanians to improve their English
Eager teacher trainees out in schools putting into practice what they have learnt
Janet's safe return and quick adjustment back into life at En Gedi, and for her sister Thealou who is doing such a fabulous job of setting up a project for making wooden blocks and puzzles

PRAYER focus for....

For health and healing in Magugu and that school staff will be encouraged to press on with the challenge of living and working in a difficult and challenging environment
For the secondary school staff we so desperately need to employ over the next few months
For education department staff as we bump up and down the road to Magugu in the bus to visit and help out in the school – for safety and for wisdom
For ongoing curriculum writing which is a challenge while we are short staffed as now
For Allan and Sue Dow as they continue to raise support in New Zealand (which is going well!!)

BASE ACTIVITIES

josh moose

We are praising God for the arrival of the long awaiting container from the U.K., which contains the bridge to cross the river into the "promise land". The enemy has done everything possible to stop this container from reaching En Gedi ground, but our God is faithful to deliver. Thank you so much for your prayers!

It's also been tremendous to see the response to our "Famine Relief" project in the local area. Each week some 1000 people are being supplied enough maize to carry them over a very trying time. Many have come to the Lord, while our local staff, student leaders and teachers, plus mission team have been involved in the distribution, prayer and preaching accompanying the project. Difficulties however will continue until the September harvest, so your prayers and ongoing support is coveted!

PRAISE God for....

The arrival of the U.K. container
God's provision for the hunger relief as we share God's love for his people in a practical way
The port arrival of the Perth container carrying the donated well drilling rig
Ongoing success of the "Famine Relief" project

PRAYER focus for....

The quick release of the Perth container from the Dar port
For the provision and completion for the much needed housing maintenance at En Gedi
For the provision to increase wages among our local staff
Funds for and salvations from the Famine project to continue until September at least

on behalf of JLMC COLLEGE DEAN

david & judi owens

We have just finished another leadership training module of 4 months, and it was the most challenging module ever! The main focus was Church, Family and Leadership. Most leaders have been significantly challenged in these three areas and are determined to change. We are looking forward to seeing their churches, families and ministries rise to new levels of effectiveness in God.

PRAISE God for....

His protection during the module
His provision towards fees and general running expenses
Mentors who spent time lecturing through the course

PRAYER focus for....

Wisdom as leaders seek to implement what they have learned during the inter-term period.
Church growth and successful leadership
Financial breakthrough to see every need supplied, including the pressing need for ongoing training sponsorships
For the Church to catch the vision, "Turn the hearts of the fathers to the children" in order to turn the nation to the Lord.
The next training module, "Counseling and Management" to start August 4th, though to November 29th – that sponsorships, mentor arrangements and travels, plus many admin aspects will all come together for a great time

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

judi owens

We are looking forward to our annual women's conference in June from 23- 29th.

PRAISE God for....

A successful leaders get together in February
That none of our families experienced any tragedy during the recent mining accidents - however 70 miners were killed.
Upcoming women of significance and influence in our leadership team
Widespread interest in the upcoming conference

PRAYER focus for....

The conference to birth intimacy with Jesus and new life & vision
The preparation of bible studies and their translation into Swahili so that women can give away their knowledge and understanding of foundational biblical truths
For refreshing for Lois as she finishes her furlough

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

joanna mcewing

The main focus at the moment is on the Children's Ministry Conference that is to be held here at En Gedi from the 6th to the 11th of July.

PRAISE God for....

The first applications for the conference are starting to trickle in.
There have been some donations made that will make coming to conference easier for a number of delegates!
The evening guest speaker for the conference, Julius Rukyaa, has confirmed that he is committed to coming and looking forward to the opportunity to minister.
Encounter Christian Centre's missions team has pulled out of coming BUT the **Tanzanian's and local talent are rising up to fill the gap!**
The sessions out at Monduli continue to make an impact and the "revelation moments" make it all worthwhile as the workers out there and those that come along as support recognise the importance of what they are hearing.

PRAYER focus for....

For continued "revelation moments" in the Monduli training sessions and that those hearing will be able to take what they are learning and apply it directly into what they do.
Continue to pray that the people that are meant to be at the conference will be the very ones that register!
For those sharing at the conference, that God will start to reveal to them ideas and even whole messages! Pray also for the coming together of all the different components and details.
For the conference itself, for the ministry of the Holy Spirit into each attendee's life, for the opportunities to network and select future trainers of children's ministry workers and for impact that will flow through to the children of this nation, opening up doors that will see them released into their God given destinies and purpose!!!!.
For Regina Limi, a student at JLMC, as she takes what she is learning about Christian Ministry and uses it to train children's workers out in her home area over the coming months. She has a vision for a children's prayer army!