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CAPE CHRONICLE

The newsletter of Jim & Kristina Foster, missionaries in the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa

New JOHN 10:10 Ministry ~

We live in a beautiful country but one that is plagued with crime. It seems that almost everyone from the communities where we minister has been victimized in one way or another by thieves that plague our country. We ourselves have been robbed on several occasions just in the past year losing thousands of dollars of things and money. For some time, the Lord has laid on my heart to start a new ministry to help people who are victims of crime, especially robbery. This ministry would be for the purpose of building up those within the church and witness to those without pointing them to the God who can give them life and give it abundantly:

"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10:10

I would like to call it the John 10:10 Ministry and will establish a fund to help those whom we identify as genuinely needing help to recover from being robbed. We have already been able to help several people with personal funds but are very limited on resources as our support account is currently underfunded.

For example, a school father who had been shot in the head at work and suffers from brain damage was recently robbed of the school fees for his daughter as he is an easy target because of his disability. We were able to cover most of the school fees that he lost.

A former student saved up to purchase a computer needed for work. However, a gang of thieves broke into her house and stole it along with other things. Insurance will not cover replacement of the computer. I am hoping to raise the funds needed to replace it. We need \$1000 for this need. I have told her that we wanted to help as she is a young lady who has maintained her integrity in an ungodly workplace and sought to be a witness to those around her.



Luke 14:23 Street Ministry

I (Jim) have partnered with Frank Josephs - a deacon from Community Baptist Church (where our school meets) and we are going out into the "highways and hedges" on a weekly basis to share the gospel, give out tracts, and invite people to church. It has been sad to see the desperate

state many are in within the community



that is plagued with drugs and alcoholism, but a wonderful opportunity to

point them to the one who can give them hope.

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Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep

It is so amazing to see where the Lord is taking this ministry all across South Africa and the people that NILMDTS SA is able to minister to...from Indian to Muslim to Africaans and Zulu. When the call comes in, you never know who will be next.



Recently, Kristina was contacted by another volunteer organization called "Angel Gown Initiative" where wedding and prom dresses are donated and then used to create tiny gowns for each of the Angel Babies. Angel Gowns are bereavement gowns for infants that will never make it to their earthly homes. They are gifts to be donated to the grieving families of these infants, so that they have one less worry and something special in which their little treasure can be sent off into the hereafter.

Many times when a NILMDTS volunteer photographer is called out to serve a family with a portraiture remembrance session, the birth and or passing of the baby is unexpected due to trauma and other complications. The mom has nothing to put the baby in or even to wrap it in. Our partnering with Angel gowns has become a real blessing and collaboration with our sessions - its one more way to bless the family in this time of grieving.

Family News -

Since 2010, we have not taken a proper furlough. Because of this, we are long overdue to visit supporting churches and raise some desperately needed funding. On June 20th, we fly to Kenya, then on to Los Angeles through Paris, France. We will spend from June 22nd to July 18th in California, Then, after some time with family in Colorado and New Hampshire, we will spend from middle August until late September in Florida and the midwest. After that, we travel West again and apply for renewed visa's to return to South Africa by December.

As we get ready to come back to the states in the later part of June for a much-needed furlough, the girls are still keeping busy with

their various talents in the arts here in SA:





While completing her homeschooling, junior year of High School, Elise (17) has been busy with drama, voice and musical theatre

classes and just recently landed the role of a nun in the theatrical musical of 'The Sound of

Music'. This will be her first major production with the professional theatre company by Andrew Lloyd Webber on the stage of Cape Town's prominent Artscape Opera House. She is excited for this opportunity and we are praying this will open many more doors for her to perform here in South Africa with her love for musical theatre.

Briana just celebrated her 20th birthday in February and is still enjoying her figure skating. She recently competed in the Western Province Championships where she took gold. She loves her coaching job

on Saturday mornings as she gets to teach little ones how to skate and share her love of the sport. While waiting on several job opportunities that she has auditioned for overseas, Briana is getting ready to transition to the States as we get ready to

leave on furlough. Although, South Africa is home to her, because of her age and visa requirements, she is planning on settling in the USA for now...excited for what the Lord has for her next.