

"Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples."

1 Chronicles 16:24

We praise God for His blessing and protection over Tobie, Alieske, Daniela, Erik and myself, who have returned from a packed and productive Mission around South Africa. We drove over 4,300 km, conducted over 60 meetings, delivered about 2 tonnes of Bibles, books, Gospel booklets and AudioVisual materials to 24 locations across the Orange Free State, KwaZulu Natal, Eastern Cape and Western Cape, to 5 schools, 6 churches, 2 colleges, 2 Mission stations, 2 conferences and 2 seminars.

KwaSizabantu Ministers Conference

Over 2,500 participants took part in the **Ministers Conference** at KwaSizabantu Mission. Delegates came from as far afield as Angola, Armenia, Belgium, Benin, Botswana, the Congo, France, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, Kenya, Latvia, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Romania, Russia, from throughout South Africa, Swaziland, Switzerland, the United States of America, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The Theme of the conference was: **Revival – God at Work**.



William Carey School of World Missions

William Carey School of Missions is an important Mission training college situated outside of Durban. The Principal, Dr. Leslie James, has built up a magnificent missionary training centre. We had conducted a Great Commission Seminar at WCSWM before. This time I conducted a **Discipleship Seminar**.



School Ministries

Throughout this South Africa Mission, our team members, Alieske, Daniela, Tobie and Erik, conducted numerous school assemblies at 5 different schools, including in Bloemfontein, Pietermaritzburg, East London and Alexandria. We also delivered Bibles, books and audiovisual materials to other schools. Presentations included: Animals in the Bible, Creation and Stewardship, Fight the New Drug, Recognising and Resisting Human Trafficking, Applying the Ten Commandments to our Lives, Evangelism Explosion and Missionary Reports and challenges.



Conference Addressed by Mangosuthu Buthelezi

It was a privilege to have Prince Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the traditional Prime Minister to the Zulu monarch and nation and head of the Inkatha Freedom Party, open our Coalition on Revival Back to the **Bible Conference**. The venue was William Carey School of World Missions hall. Prince Mangosuthu Buthelezi quoted from Isaiah 40:31: "But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Dr. Buthelezi called for South Africans to return to foundational values and principles. "Our country needs a government that is both capable and ethical. In the absence of a value system, any government is bound to fail." "I believe that the principles contained in the Bible are the principles by which we should live."

Biblical Principles for the Elections

Prince Buthelezi testified of walking with the Lord for 70 years, promoting justice and righteousness. He quoted Matthew 6:33: "But seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness..." He expressed his appreciation for the work of the Christian Action Network, particularly for putting

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together the **Biblical Issues Voters Guide**. "We are champions of a free market economy and we hold the family to be the foundational building block of society." He called on delegates to do more research on what the Bible says and where parties actually stand. "The Bible stands as absolute truth today, as it did yesterday and as it did in the times of Moses, David, Ruth and Peter. The rock on which the Church was built. We need to obey God's Biblical commands. Only then will we see Amos 5:24 – 'But let justice run down like water and righteousness like a mighty stream."

Back to the Bible for Reformation and Revival

The Principal of William Carey School of World Missions, Dr. Leslie James presented the Devotions on Psalm 85:6 "Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?" Dr. Peter Munns of the Christian Coalition presented The Challenges That Confront Us and I reported on the Coalition on Revival Reformation 500 FIRE vision, leading an open discussion on identifying the threats and considering the Biblical solutions to the problems that confront us.



Recognising the Threats

We particularly identified the threats of: radical Islam, Marxism, the second phase of communist Revolutions, Syncretism, Unbelief, Cowardice, the Fear of Man, Compromise, Worldliness, Biblical Illiteracy, Neglect of the Bible, Prayerlessness, the Hate Speech Bill Restrictions on Free Speech, Plans to Register and Regulate Religious Practitioners, Persecution, Distraction, Disunity, the Gay Agenda and

Gender-Fluidity movement, Indoctrination instead of Education in Public Schools, Degenerate Entertainment from Hollywood and the Need for Pastors to Return to Preaching Through the whole Bible, the full counsel of God, applying the Lordship of Christ to all areas of life.

Coalition on Revival Resolutions

The delegates endorsed the <u>95 Theses for</u> Reformation Today and the Coalition on Revival Documents.



School Assemblies

At the different schools that we conducted assemblies at, the children enthusiastically participated in The Marching Song, reciting the Ten Commandments poem, learning memory tools to apply God's Top Ten, singing great hymns of the Faith, learning the Evangelism Explosion Gospel Presentation and exploring the wonders of God's Creation and our duty to care for His creatures and protect the earth from poaching and pollution.

Appreciation for Resources

Throughout the country, we found much gratitude for the <u>Christian Action</u> magazines in which we have dealt with Farms and Freedoms Under Fire in South Africa; Fraud, Failure and Farce – Land Expropriation Hearings; Is South Africa Entering the Second Phase of the Revolution? And our various AudioVisual resources on this. We met with individuals and congregations who reported that they frequently screen our **Reformation Society**



video presentations to their congregation after the Sunday morning service as part of Adult Sunday school. There was much gratitude for the *New Testament Survey* books. It was most encouraging to hear back from our literature distribution contacts who are ensuring that Bibles, New Testaments, Gospels, World Missionary Press Gospel booklets and Frontline tracts are being widely distributed in schools, hospitals, police stations and prisons.

Responses Across the Country

Some of the written responses which we received from people on this Mission included: "I have been uplifted!"; "May God bless this ministry!"; "Awesome!"; "Excellent!"; "Excellent truth revelation!"; "marvellous!"; "We need more of this teaching."; "Your bold and prophetic voice is much needed."; "A very big Thank You for your example."; "Press on!"; "Very encouraging, uplifting and inspiring."; "This is a Divine appointment!"; "Please also come to my country, Tanzania."; "Great mind renewing material."; "We need to know this truth."; "I want to know more of this wonderful work!"; "May God continue to bless your wonderful work!"; "Absolutely relevant."; "Very challenging and uplifting. Excellent" "Very profound."; "Never give up, keep pressing on. Keep up the great work!"



Showers of Blessing

Coming from Cape Town, which has such severe water restrictions, it was a delight to drive across very green countrysides. Even the Karoo and the Orange Free State were green. In KwaZulu Natal, we experienced terrific thundershowers with spectacular lightning illuminating the sky. We walked and drove in some torrential downpours. The blessings of rain are symbolic of the spiritual blessings which are so graciously poured out by Almighty God on His people during times of Revival. We desperately need a fresh outpouring of God's grace and mercy upon our troubled times and, in all too many cases, lukewarm churches.

Learning from Steadfast Servants of the Lord

It is always inspiring and informative to travel around the country, stay in different homes, visit different farms, mission stations, colleges and schools. There are so many bold and brave Christian witnesses working in difficult and dangerous situations in South Africa, shining the light of Christ, evangelising in their communities, making a positive difference. It gives one great hope for the future when we see how many faithful servants God has established throughout this land.

An Urgent Call to Prayer and Action

The difficulties and dangers they face on a daily basis could not be exaggerated. May we all be more faithful in uplifting them in prayer and standing against the evil intentions of the ANC, EFF and BLF Marxist Revolutionaries who are threatening to turn this country into a second Zimbabwe, ripping up constitutional safeguards for life and property, eroding religious freedoms and undermining Freedom of Speech. "All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good people to do nothing." Prayer is an essential foundation for bold, Biblical action. Prayer is not meant to be an excuse for disobedience and heartless inactivity. Those people who say, "All we can do is pray" are unbiblical. We can and must do far more than pray.

"Get Up! There is Sin in the Camp!"

In Judges 7, after the defeat of the children of Israel at Ai, Joshua was lying face down praying in the Tabernacle before the altar of the Lord. God said to Joshua: "What are you doing lying down there on your face? Get up! There is sin in the camp!" There is so much that needs to be done to bring ourselves, our families, our congregations, our ministries and our communities back to the Bible, applying the Lordship of Christ to all areas of life. We cannot do everything, but we can all do something. What we can do, we must do!

Fight the Good Fight of Faith

It is absolutely vital that Christians are informed and informing, educated and enlisted, motivated and mobilised to action. We need to be informed: "My people are destroyed from lack of knowledge." We need to be interceding: "Praying always with thanksgiving." We need to be involved, we need to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. We need to be making disciples of all nations, teaching obedience to all things that the Lord has commanded.

Could you not do Something More for God?

Could you start a Bible Study and Prayer group in your school, home, workplace or community? "... what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God?" Micah 6:8

We need to reclaim surrendered ground, expose the fruitless deeds of darkness.

Submit to God. Resist the devil.

Fight the good fight of Faith. Stand up for Jesus. Step out in Faith. Speak out boldly and Biblically.

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