



Brandon &

...carrying {hope+justice+peace} to the poor so that they experience life & purpose in the {kingdom of heaven}...

Julianna Jones

Christmas 2010



...the spirit of the sovereign Lord is upon me, because the Lord has {chosen me}. He has commissioned me to {encourage the poor}, to help the brokenhearted, to decree the release of captives, and the {freeing of prisoners}, to announce the year when the Lord will show his favor, the day when our God will seek vengeance, to {console all who mourn}...Isaiah 61:1-2

Merry Christmas, from the Joneses! This is our first holiday season to be spent in our new home of South Africa. It certainly feels different this year, with it being the middle of summer and being so far away from most of our friends and family. It's made us reflect on the idea of incarnation – Jesus moved from his home down here to Earth to be with us, and in a similar way we moved to a new place to be with our African brothers and sisters. Our small sacrifices certainly pale in the face of his great one.

We are loving our new life here in Cape Town. In October we moved into a rental house and had our car stolen, so now we feel like we're real South Africans (crime is quite rampant here). We went through five months of training earlier this year and have spent about three months now as full-time staff members of All Nations (AN) in Cape Town, South Africa.

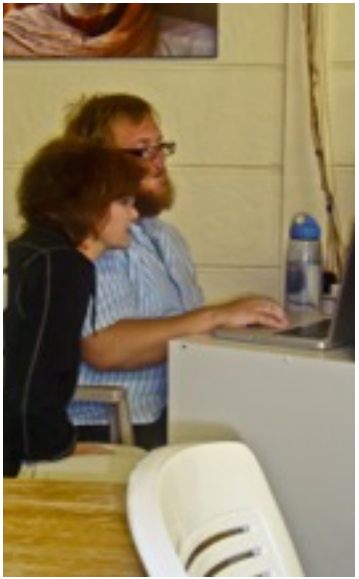
Since coming on staff, we've been spending a lot of our time doing office work for AN. AN didn't have anyone doing our IT or communications work, so we've had to sort out a lot of things in order to begin the projects we've dreamed about. In Brandon's role as Director of Technology, he is working with the International Leadership Team of AN to focus the organization's Web presence and improve AN's efficiency. Julianna has been improving the communications within AN Africa as well as its public relations with the incoming 2011 CPx students. This has taken a lot of our time, and the fruit of our work can lack the thrill factor, but we find it so rewarding to fill these much-needed roles. And we are seeing many AN visions being accomplished because of the behind-the-scenes work we are doing.

In September, we joined the All Nations team ministering in the

impoverished township of Masiphumelele. There are so many needs – both practical and spiritual – in this community, that it can be daunting to think about making a difference. We have focused on several key relationships each – people who we think can make a big difference. We are mentoring these potential local leaders, using all the tools at our disposal to empower them to be the change Africa needs.

We feel so blessed to be here, doing the work that God has put in our hearts. We definitely feel like we're "living the dream." The incredible thing is that we are not here on our own, but we are partnered with so many others in order to be able to do this. We need the ongoing support of others in order to be able to continue what we're doing. Many people have committed to support us regularly through prayer and finances, and we came back to South Africa in September thinking

{4 months of fruit} Job Skills Training Long Term Ministry Strategic Planning **Empowering Africans**
 All Nations International Web Presence **Re-vamped CPx Communication** Established Needed Policy Initiatives
 All Nations International Social Media Presence Re-vamped Office Network **Discipling Community Leaders**
 Project Management Facilitation **Hosted Numerous Houseguests** **{Loved God, Each Other & The Lost}**



we were almost fully funded. Some of those finances, however, have not come through. We are still in need of a few more monthly supporters. We ask that you please prayerfully consider if you should be the one to fill that need.

We want to say a huge thank you to all who have prayed, given and encouraged us so far in our work here in South Africa. We appreciate your faithfulness in continuing to love and support us while we're so far away.

For the establishment of HIS kingdom,

Brandon & Julianna Jones

{how to get involved}

→ **Prayer:** We've both learned the importance of prayer in our own lives and how important it is to unite in prayer as a community, even if separated by great distances. Our prayers are a sweet incense to our Father and He acts on them. Not a single one goes unnoticed! Our desire is to see God's people calling for Him to bring his kingdom to Africa and the people here, through our life (and the lives of those like us).

→ **Finances:** For the time being, we have to enter South Africa on volunteer visas so as not to take jobs away from the native Africans. And while we are officially on staff with a nonprofit mission organization, All Nations, they cannot provide a salary as their monetary resources are sufficient only for basic administration needs. Because of this, we are not able to be paid for any of our work in Cape Town. We are confident that God will provide for us through others' gifts.

→ **Encouragement:** This life that Jesus has set before us isn't always a walk in the park (but it is full of joy). Never underestimate the blessing that a simple word of encouragement is to us.

{finances}

{monthly support}

We need \$3000/month for "life" needs (a home, utilities, food, transport, insurance, etc), ministry needs (items related to the work we are doing) and money to provide for those around us in need. Our regular support coming in now will only cover about 70% of our needs. We would accept any kind of gift, but are especially in need of consistent gifts of \$50-\$500 per month in order to meet our funding goal. If nine people pledged to give \$100 per month, we would definitely reach our goal.

{our commitment to you}

Transparency: Our budget is available for those who are interested. Transparency is a value we desire for all of life and hope to live it amongst our community here in South Africa and our community spread across the globe.

Support: If needs in our community arise, we will seek to meet them as Jesus leads. This means sharing what we have with you practically. If you ever choose to come to Cape Town, rest assured that you will have a place to stay. If there are other ways we can minister to you, we will.

Prayer: We pray for those in our community, just as they pray for us. It's a rhythm of life for us. Any request you give us we will lift before God, hearts joined with yours (even if we seem a lifetime away).