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“so we do not drift away”

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As I write this article we only have 24 days left until we are wheels up for London en route to Africa. Wow. We have been preparing for this trip for 18 months now, and it is finally here. It has been fun feeling the anticipation grow, especially once I put up a count-down calendar a year ago in my office and every day marked off a day looking forward to this trip. I hope that you feel some of the anticipation as well, and thought I would share some of the things that are happening on the trip that might get you excited.

We are going to be sending two members of our team to house Tjale every day. This is a home for handicapped children, where our people will be helping to teach the staff how to work with handicapped children and to help get the children engaged in learning and playing. What a great chance to help start a ministry that will affect many handicapped children for years to come. This is especially important since there are very little resources to help these children, and most people do not know how to act towards them.

Discrimination is a big problem towards disabled children. Here is the link for a good article about this issue: <http://www.daa.org.uk/uploads/pdf/SA%20Childrens%20report%20.pdf>. We also will be working at multiple villages doing everything from: house to house visiting, working in local schools, helping at a feeding center, ministering to those afflicted with HIV, and many more needs.

A big part of this trip is also just getting to spend time with Jan and Ericka and to love on and encourage them. The work they do is very hard and yet is vital to the kingdom, as they train ministers in how to pastor and try to help meet the needs of the peoples in the villages around them. God has blessed and grown their ministry literally all the way across South Africa, but as growth has come so has struggles. People and churches who have promised money have either stopped sending it or cut it way back. Another missionary has moved down to help increase the ability of their ministry (TSESEA), and yet with cut funding all this growth is hard to keep going. Yet God has continued to provide as they trust in Him. Most recently, returning from a trip to the Cape in the west side of their country where they have just established a new work, a semi pulled a u-turn in the middle of the highway in front Jan and their vehicle was totaled. It was about 15 years old and so insurance paid them very little, and they currently have no fund to purchase another vehicle. Yet they are still trusting God. I wonder how God desires us to help them...

The biggest way you can support Jan and Ericka is to pray for them, and to pray for our team as we partner with them. Pray that our people will step out of their comfort zones being fully dependent on God to use them however He sees fit. Pray for God to reveal to us a church we could partner with in South Africa, helping them to minister to the community around them. Pray for heart change in us as the church body, the bride of Christ, that our heart might become like His heart for taking His word to the world. Pray that as we are changed, that we might reach out to people here at home. 24 days...

Weekly Schedule

Sunday:

SS	9:45
Worship	11:00
FBCU	6:00
Youth	6:00
Praise Service	6:30
Choir	7:30

Wednesday:

Prayer Meeting 6:30

Prayer List



- Spiritual Growth
- Unity as a church
- The 414 Project
- Africa Trip
- Youth/Children's Minister

Memory Verse

Psalm 62:8

Trust in him
 at all times, O
 people; pour
 out your heart
 before him;
 God is a
 refuge for us.



Bela Bela,
South Africa

A Year In Waiting and Planning...

South Africa Mission Trip

July 23-21, 2011

Wow! God has done some great things in the past year as our Mission Team has prepared for this trip. God has provided a lot of money, calmed fears, changed schedules, and molded hearts for his purpose. Though not everyone is traveling on this mission trip, everyone is invited to be a part of God's great plan. Many have already given sacrificially, and now the team is also asking for your continuous prayers. We ask that

we will see God move and lives will be changed because of his Grace. Please pray that each individual as well as the group as a whole will be sensitive to the whispers of the Holy Spirit as we obey. We ask for prayers of safety and good health so that we can do God's work there. Also pray for the people of Africa, that God would be softening their hearts even now in preparation for His Word and His love.

Margaret Balderamos- asks for good health, peace for family left at home.

Pat Bomba- that I will be used by God to fulfill his purpose

Kimberly Brassell- to be completely surrendered to God's will, that though me and the team His name will be glorified.

Dara Camber- The Holy Spirit will give me the words to say to people we encounter, whether it be in Africa or the airport. A sense of peace for each of us as we leave our families for days.

Jolee Cornelius- Peace about the girls and God will use the trip to change lives

Kevin Cornelius- for the Holy Spirit to have the freedom in each of us to radically alter our minds and hearts. That sharing the Gospel would become not just our passion, but our reality.

Caleb Dziuk- God would be glorified in our trip and I will be given the words to speak to the people we will encounter

Christy Dziuk- trust and obey God so that he will be glorified

Beth Griffin- God's will to be done and He works through us.

Cathie Griffin- Unity

Ed Griffin- God will guide my words and actions

Will Johnson- God places before me opportunities to share His love and that I'm obedient to follow through so that I may be impacted by the power of God and be impactful for God.

Kayla Jones- that I will be sensitive and obedient to God's voice while we are there, no headaches, peace leaving Brenna

Nathan Jones- That I would be prepared to be used by God. That I would have an understanding to the purpose of the trip for me. That my call of what's next would become clear.

Ashton Kunschik- God will fill with His Desires

David Kunschik- wisdom

Teresa Kunschik- peace about children I'm leaving, selflessness

Jason Lum- 1. I will continue to press into God's word, 2. nothing would distract me from my quiet time, 3. I will be still long enough to hear God speak, 4. patience, getting anxious about trip, 5. God will use me as His feet, hands, and voice.

Megan Lum- my blood pressure and circulation will work properly



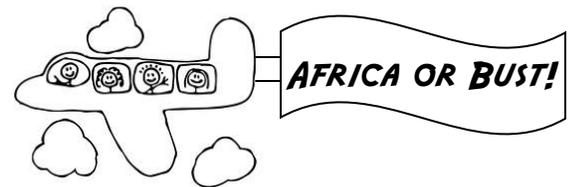
Flight Schedule

Saturday, July 23- 8:30 pm
Houston to London

Sunday, July 24- 7:10 pm
London to Johannesburg

Saturday, July 30- 7:15 pm
Johannesburg to London

Sunday, July 31- 10:30 am
London to Houston



Ministries In Africa

- The team will be spending most of the time ministering to the surrounding villages. We will minister through worship, prayer, distributing food, sharing the gospel, sharing our testimonies, and simply loving the people. Basically we are there to be used however God asks.
- One group will be ministering to a home of special needs children. Please be in prayer for this special team. They will be separated from the rest of the group for most of the day, but will have a special opportunity to minister to one group of people each day. They will be sharing God's love with caretakers of the home as well as the residents.



Sound Bytes



Stewardship

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Received</u>
Month:	11,705.14	12,468.59
Year:	70,230.84	101,821.33

*Totals include first 3 weeks of June

Announcements & Upcoming Events

*** Our church picnic in the park is scheduled for August 28. Be watching for more details as we get closer to the date of the picnic.

*** Sunday, July 17 we will be commissioning the mission team members before they leave for Africa. Please be a part of this service and pray for our mission team.

*** All members should have received in the mail a letter and nomination form for our Youth Minister Search Committee. If you did not receive one, please contact Kayla Jones at the church office. All forms need to be submitted by Sunday, July 24th.

*** A special thanks to all who volunteered and worked so hard for VBS. Thank you for your obedience and servant's hearts. You may never know how God used you to change a life, but know that he was at work over the week.

YOUTH FACTS

I wanted to thank everyone who helped and participated in all our youth and children's camp fundraisers. You have helped give many students the opportunity to go to summer camp this year.

I am coming to ask for your help again. I have an opportunity for church members to pray for individual students while they are at camp July 10- 14. I am also giving all church members an opportunity to encouragement students at camp by sending them an encouraging note. If you are willing to serve in either way, please see Kayla Jones. All encouragement notes must be turned into me by July 10th so I can take them to camp with me and pass them out throughout the week.

Thank you again for your help and service. You are a blessing to our youth! ~Kayla Jones

The countdown for the Africa mission trip is well inside of a month now. With that in mind, I wanted to take an opportunity to show how a song can speak to the reason we're going on mission in another country. I was planning on using the lyrics from a band called Audio Adrenaline called "Hands and Feet," which is a great song about being the hands and feet of God and going where He sends us. However, over the past two months or so, since I've gotten the new Hillsong United album, the words to one of their songs entitled "Go" also speaks to this calling in what I feel is a more relevant way for me, so I thought I would share the lyrics of that song with you.

Go-Hillsong United, Aftermath Album:

We're giving it all away, away

We're giving it all to go Your way

We're giving it all away, away

We're giving it all to go Your way

In the Father, there is freedom

There is hope in the name that is Jesus

Lay our lives down, give it all now

We are found in the love of the Savior

We've come alive in You

Set free to show the Truth

Our lives will never be the same

We are sold out, to Your calling

Everything that we are for Your glory

Take our hearts now, have it all now

Let our lives shine Your light like the morning

You've rolled back the curtain from our eyes

Now we can see You

You've shown us Your way, Your truth and life

We offer our lives to bring you fame

We're caught in Your freedom

Caught in Your freedom

I love the fact that so many of the members of this church have sacrificed so much for this mission trip. Those going as well as those praying at home have made sacrifices of time, treasure, and talents to be obedient to the call God has placed on each of our lives. For those of us going to South Africa, our prayer is that in our preparations now, in our service there, and following our arrival back home God will truly have every part of all of our hearts. Thank you for praying for us as we've prepared for this trip and also as we go. It's a wondrous encouragement to my soul to know that I've got such strong prayers backing me up as I go to use the little I have so that God can make it a lot.

In case you had not heard, the choir is only practicing once every two weeks for the summer months. Enjoy your well-earned time off. Thanks for reading this month. I look forward to next month when I will have amazing stories to tell from the continent of Africa!

~Nathan Jones

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July Birthdays

1– Jentri Cornelius

1– Seth Dziuk

2– Alton Gross

3– Vivian Pyle

7– Dottie White

7– Jim Davis

8– Landri Cornelius

11– Tiffany Hale

12– Leola Forister

13– Thomas Moczygemba

17– M.J. Davis

18– Ashton Kunschik

22– Ila Traxler

25– Jackie Rhodes

25– Florence Wishert

29– Aurey Kunschik

31– Danay Gilley

