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## LOCAL NEWS

Dear Friends,

Just a quick update on local ministry here in Mokopane. It is quite exciting how things has developed this year. I was trusting the Lord for many to disciple and boy have I received answer to this prayer.

I am now the Spiritual Leader at Carpe Diem Christian School and have all the teaching staff basically twice a week for morning devotions for about 20 minutes. I also do the Assembly on Monday mornings with the kids and will be involved in Life Skills, which incorporates giving the children opportunities for ministry.

Our family devotions on Wednesday evenings has now evolved to where a group of young people gather at our home for Bible study. This started spontaneously as Jessica began inviting her friends to join us for our family devotions. I really thank the Lord for this ministry. It is revolutionizing my outlook on young people.

Between 2 - 4 November we had a youth camp with the Senior Learning Centre where we looked at topics like 'Trusting God', 'How to have Assurance of Salvation', 'How to get up when you're down' and 'How to be sure the Bible is the Word of God'. What an awesome time we had and lots of fun. Nico and Hesta Venter brought their boat and we played on the tube, banana

and skis. We roared with laughter. Thanks to Nico, Hesta, Giel, Sonja and Joanne for their part in making it a great camp.

I also meet with eight or so men from Mashati, just outside of Mokopane, every Thursday morning when I'm here, and Fanta Shika whom I've been discipling for a long time, continues when I'm away. The topic we are discussing is Disciple-making. The men are hungry for more. Fanta is a friend and follower of Jesus and together we have a burden to see the men take-off in becoming effective disciple-makers.

Other than that, the farm Church at Woest Alleen Farm in the Sterkrivier valley continues. The turnover of workers makes it a challenge, but thank God for Eliphas who has remained consistent and has continued to teach the small gathering of believers for a number of years. Continue to pray for this venture. When I'm not around Pst. Jacobus Romabu helps me. He is heading up the pre-school and a local Baptist fellowship at Masodi.

We have a great partnership with Pst. Jacobus and are trusting God to build him two new classrooms in 2008. The plans are in at the municipality, thanks to Brigitte for the hours and days of work that she put into this. The team that was thinking of coming, from Denver, is unable to do so, so please pray with us for a team to sponsor and assist with this project. The church have already made all the brick blocks to complete the classrooms. We need to raise \$10,000 in total for this. If there is anyone out there with a heart for children who would like

### PHOTO GALLERY



**Joanne and students from Carpe Diem Christian School—youth camp**



**Loads of water fun on the Sterkrivier Dam**

to contribute, please send your donation to our Denver office marked Masodi - Pre-school. If the Lord lays it on your heart to be involved in such a project, please contact me as soon as possible.



We have in faith, sent one of the teachers for training for the school to proceed to Grade 1 next year, and Pst. Jacobus will be hiring someone's garage to hire in the community for these children in the meantime.

We have also taken another step of faith and will be moving our office from our home, to facilities at the local

### Developments in 2007:

- *Carpe Diem Christian School*
- *Youth Bible Study*
- *Mashati*
- *Farm Church*
- *Masodi Pre-School*
- *Train & Multiply*
- *New IMD Offices*
- *New Staff members*

Methodist church in town. We will be setting up office there next week and are quite excited about this new development.

They are hiring us two classrooms that were previously used for Sunday School.

We are also excited about a new family that will be joining the ministry, and moving into Mokopane today. Please pray for David and Tessa Frew, and their children, Berdine, Michelle and David jnr, as they go through their probation period, settle in, and find their place in ministry during this year.



Well, that's all for now, more news next time, and in the meantime, keep trusting God that which only He can do!

In Him  
**Koos Basson and IMD Team**