

Melvins on the Move in the Lowlands of Lesotho

2 Thessalonians 3:1-2 NAS95 1 Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you; 2 and that we will be rescued from perverse and evil men; for not all have faith.

Basotho Blankets

Newsletter of Tom and Cindi Melvin ~ Serving Christ in the lowlands of Lesotho ~ February 2009

Prayers of praise:

- Larry and Sally Pepper, newest team members have arrived and are now living in Maseru.
- 16 church members from the Church of Ha Foso participated in their first prayerwalk in preparation for the showing of the Jesus Film.
- Participants in a new house church completed their Bible Way study books on A Responsible Christian in one month.
- Church branch learning God's Wonderful Plan of Salvation in a weekly Bible study.
- Plans underway to partner with Youth For Christ, Lesotho, in presenting and training True Love Waits program.

Prayer Requests:

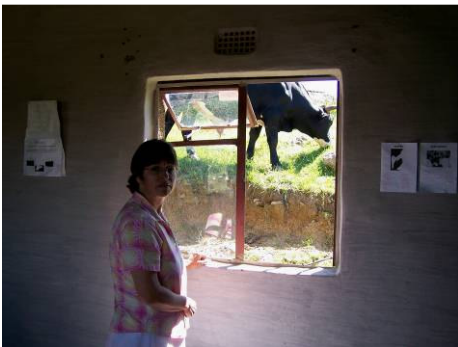
- Safe journey for Flora Family arriving in Lesotho March 31.
- Preparations and provisions for volunteer mission team led by Ironbridge Baptist Church, VA coming in June.
- Safe travel, inspiring teaching, effective training, and meaningful worship at our Annual Missionary Training Meeting, Johannesburg, South Africa, April 15 – 20.
- Pray new church plant will stand for its freedom in Christ and autonomy and make leadership decisions which are in the best interest of the church.
- Join the Basotho Mountain Sub-Team as they journey through a 30 Days of Prayer. Join them at: <http://www.prayforthebasotho.org/>

Family Feature:

As most of you welcome the early signs of spring, the corn and pumpkins are about ready for harvest here. Night temps and leaves are falling. The boys' school will be closed from March 27 – April 13 for their 2nd school term break. During the break, our family will enjoy our first African vacation and travel to the Indian Ocean for Zachary's graduation present. We are looking forward to the time together. Following our family holiday, we will travel to Johannesburg where we will meet with many other IMB missionary families for our annual training meeting.

Tom and Cindi continue to be busy with ministry but have recently taken the opportunity to give some much needed attention to their health and joined the Maseru gym. They exercise early in the morning and sometimes next to the King or Queen of Lesotho. They are building relationships with the security guards at the gym and pray for doors to open for sharing the gospel.

We thank you for your continued prayers and support of the ministry God has called us to in the lowlands of Lesotho. You are part of our team and we look forward to visiting with many of you during our stateside assignment later this year.



It's not everyday you can find a cow when looking out your church window.



Cindi and the pastor's wife prayerwalking. They offer to pray for these young Basotho men.



After prayerwalking, the church gathered to share testimonies of their experiences.



Zachary and senior drama students following their last performance of Antigone.



True Love Waits Club prepare skits illustrating ways to avoid tempting situations.



Zachary and Eli and two Basotho students were "The Band" for a packed house at the Poetry Club's production called "Beauty of Fusion."