

# Cape Town Ministry Update

February 2009

Praise the Lord for another grace-filled month of ministry at GFA in Cape Town. The following is a report of our ministry activities during the month of February 09. We look forward to the Lord's increase during the month of March 2009 as we trust Him for greater ministry effectiveness. We are thankful to the Lord for the opportunity to serve Him.

## **Uniting Nations International Ministry: Leadership Workshop**

On Saturday February 7, 2009 a-day long leadership workshop was held at Uniting Missions International Church (UMIC) in Khayelitsha, Cape Town. UMIC is located in a densely populated informal settlement of Khayelitsha site C. A total of twelve church leaders attended the training made up of five pastors and seven elders. Hector X Mafilika is senior pastor of UMIC. Pastor Kennedy facilitated the training on the nature and qualification of Spiritual leadership. Please pray for the continued growth of this emerging church and increased impact in Site C Khayelitsha.

## **GFA Board Meeting, Brackenfell—Cape Town**

The GFA Board met in Cape Town on Saturday February 14, 2009 to deliberate various business matters and cast the way forward for the ministry in South Africa. Pastor Gift travelled from Zimbabwe to chair the meeting. It was great to hear of the gracious dealings of the Lord and plans for furthering the cause of Christ in South Africa through GFA. We praise God that at long last the meeting took off after two failed attempts.

## **Touwsrivier Visit and Outreach**

Praise the Lord for an open door for Grace Fellowship Africa (GFA) to minister at Touwsrivier in partnership with *Nations Mission Western Cape* (NMWC). On Saturday 21 Feb 09, Pastor Kennedy visited Touwsrivier, where our potential partners in ministry Nations Mission Western Cape (NMWC) minister to the poor through evangelism and social action. Touwsrivier is about 180km north of Cape Town on the N1 national road.

NMWC runs a Bible teaching ministry and a feeding scheme to this community with a 97% unemployment rate. Touwsrivier once boasted of a thriving community with majority of its inhabitants working with the railway company. When the railway station closed most found themselves without jobs.

NMWC (led by Ms Ray Kaplan) ministers to this community in evangelism and works of compassion. GFA is privileged to partner with NMWC to disciple this community for the Lord Jesus Christ and facilitate social transformation through community development. Saturday's Outreach involved Bible teaching, distribution of food parcels and second hand clothes. About 25 children and 40 adults were in attendance.

## **I Care Project-Reaching Out PLWHA**

Project funding from the EU/Western Department of Health for Home-Based Care comes to an end on 31 Mar 09. We have requested for renewal of funding for the year 2009/10 through a project proposal we submitted at the beginning of this month. Donors will revert to us on whether our proposal has been approved or not by the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2009. We are however thankful to the Lord for the grace God has given our caregivers to touch the lives of people living with HIV and AIDS in the Cape Town.

### **March 09 Plans**

- Great Commission Pastors Fraternal (GCPF)—launch Pastors' Training at Khayelitsha
- Grace Feeding Scheme site visit, fellowship, and Home-Based Care Training planning Meeting with Rev Charles George in Delft.
- Heathfield Baptist Church— Sunday March 29, 2009 09:00 A.M. Service—Preaching and GFA Promotional Service.

### **Praise & Prayer Points**

1. Praise for the Lord for open doors for our ministry during February 2009.
2. Praise the lord for success of our board meeting on 14 Feb 09. We covet your prayers for God's blessing on each board as we trust God for greater things at GFA Cape Town.
3. Praise for His continued financial provision. Do keep our all supporters in prayer for God's blessing on them as they build God's kingdom in this part of the world.
4. Praise God for His provision of funds to procure a vehicle for Pastor Kennedy. The vehicle was bought on last Friday.
5. Pray for funding approval for I I Care Project in financial year 2009/10. We anticipate receiving feedback from donors on the outcome of our application by March 15, 2009.
6. Pray the Lord's provision to increase our Caregivers stipend during the 2009/10 financial year.
7. Pray for the Lord's blessing as we develop the plans for the establishment of G.T.I. (Grace Fellowship Africa Theological Institute) to train pastors.
8. Pray for the success of training events planned for March 2009, namely, Great Commission Pastors Fraternal (GCPF) training programs in Khayelitsha and HBC Training for local Church in Delft-with Rev Charles George.
9. Pray for all pastors, partners, and orphans on our ministry support list so that God will undertake for each one of them as they serve Him.
10. Pray that all at GFA Cape Town will continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Pet 3:18).

Many thanks for reading this ministry brief and may God richly bless you.

Yours by grace

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