



Eagles News

February 2010

It is a New Year at Eagles Rising!

From 3-10 February we were away with the students at the annual beginning of the year team building camp. 13 eager new students with shiny eyes but a tinge of nervousness in their faces arrived on 3 February together with 11 second years. My heart was deeply touched as I heard them share their stories and as I saw them give heart worship to the King of Kings. They are diamonds that God will polish to reflect the brilliance of His light. Please pray for us, both students and staff, that the Lord will give staff the resilience, wisdom, understanding and strategies we need. As staff we long to be slow to speak, quick to hear, and to be able to meet the needs of these precious ones. Most of all, that the class of 2010 will be abandoned in their love for Him. I pray that you will be blessed, too, as you hear and see the class of 2010 rise to a new way of living. ~ Warm Regards, *Barbara*



Beginning Our New Year

This month we welcomed our students for 2010 to Eagles Rising. We are so excited for this year. For the first time we are setting the programme as a two-year training. Previously many students chose to stay for a second year and we saw the positive impact on these students. So, beginning this year all the students will be with us for two years.

After they had all arrived we packed up and headed out to Porterville for a week of wilderness camping and teambuilding with Solid Rock Ministries. What a week we had!!! By the end of our week all the students had bonded and discovered what fun the outdoors can be and they were discussing the many ways they had encountered God and learned more about Him.

Prayer Outreach - 2010

On 2 March we are undertaking a short prayer outreach with the students ending in Pretoria on 6 March for the "SA Turn to God" day of prayer. This was a clear instruction from the Lord and we are busy hearing from the Lord and planning the trip. Would you prayerfully consider being part of this journey by contributing towards the costs? Thank you so much!



Students Speak Out

Cameron, a first year student this year, shares his experience of the team building wilderness camp: "Glory be unto God. For He is good and His mercy endures forever. My experience so far with Eagles Rising is absolutely good. I feel so blessed and honored that God had placed me on this

course. This is exactly what I needed to grow spiritually and experience Christianity in a much higher level. I'm growing closer to God and I recently came onto my purpose God embraced me with in life. For my first week camping which includes: hiking, canoeing, having to do activities, spending solo time with God, stick to His Word, having a solitude fast, and many more. I couldn't have met the Lord better than I just did for this week. I really am thankful that God opened so many doors to me. There's still more to come and I trust God fully to guide and lead the way for me. I want to say thanks to all the persons involved who made things possible and having the hearts to reach out to us. God bless. ~ Cameron

Recent visitors from Devon, England wrote this statement in a letter to ER:

"My lasting memories of Eagles Rising, will be of vibrant, hospitable people; of passionate Christians with hope expressed in the most tangible of ways, offering new and transformed life to individuals and communities; and of the "Boiler Room", where the presence of the Spirit was so powerful that, if I had been on my own, I would have fallen to the ground, and wanted to stay there forever."

Former Students Write To Us

Patilizwe was a student with us in 2007. He recently wrote the following message to us: The Lord has used you guys as a stepping ladder into my life. For each and everything that you do God's got a reward for you. I just remembered the first time I met you guys. But now am flying and rising like an Eagle. God bless all. With love from, Patilizwe

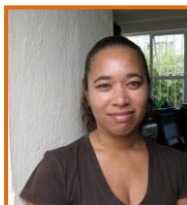
Welcome To Our New Staff &Volunteers!



Philip & Charmian – Was retired, moved down to Cape Town in obedience to God's voice to volunteer and impart some of their wisdom to us!



Eudicia, one of our old students, with husband Viwe, 3 children and 1 soon to be born have joined us on staff. What a blessing!



Raquel – Our new accountant. Excellent in her ability to sort through our interesting finances!



Alaine – our latest staff member is young and full of life. She is already contributing her share in making things happen at Eagles!



Clarion & Linda – Precious friends from the US who came to volunteer for 2 months. They are leaving on 10 March. Thank you very much, you have been such blessings!

Eileen's Prayer

Eileen, a beautiful woman of God who prayed for Eagles Rising for many years, went to be with our Lord in December. She had an amazing way of saying "Shalom" each time one saw her. Recently Eileen's daughter found this note that she had written.

What a beautiful promise our Lord has given us in the fullness of His Shalom! No wonder Eileen spoke it with so much fervor. We want to speak Shalom over each one of you and thank you for all that you do for us. Your prayers, your love, your support, your friendship, your encouragement are all so greatly appreciated. We love you and declare over each of you: "Shalom"

Facebook!!

We are now on Facebook. So please become an Eagles Rising fan on Facebook and send us a note.

Evangelistic DVD's Available



"Light for the Nations" a ministry spreading the gospel through DVD messages in all the languages of Africa, approached us to record messages in Xhosa and any other languages in which we may be able to help them.

Alfred Gcilitshana one of our managers, as well as Ceaser Kafula, one of our students from Zambia, was used by the ministry to record messages in Xhosa and Nyanja, one of the languages of Zambia. These are powerful messages and well worth distributing. The title of the message is "what must I do to be saved." Should you want to distribute any of these DVD's, they are available from us for R12 per DVD, if you collect them from us. Alternatively we can post them to you for R35- per DVD, postage included. There is no copyright on the DVD and you are allowed to copy and distribute it freely. We are making no profit on these but just desire to get the gospel out.

Should you want more details about "Light for the Nations" ministry, you may mail them to: dries@lfn.org.za. Telephone: 0827071909. They are doing an amazing work in spreading the gospel.



Help An Eagle Fly!

Many people want to know how they can help. None of our students are able to support themselves or contribute towards the training/housing we provide. Attached you will find a form with information on how to assist us. Will you please prayerfully consider how you can help to make a difference in the lives of these young people? Thanking you in advance!

Shalom

Shalom means more than peace. It means: "The peace from the Almighty that destroy the force that brings chaos into our life".

It also means:

To be complete, nothing missing, nothing broken.

To be happy and secure.

To be in harmonious unity – with God and fellow man.

To be safe and satisfied, unharmed and unhurt.

To be content, faithful, whole and balanced.

To experience satisfaction with life and the absence of all strife.

As well as prosperity, loyalty, justice, mercy and peace.

And according to the Amplified Bible: "Tranquility of heart and mind continually".

What a beautiful meaningful word is: SHALOM