



# Newsletter of Kingdom Impact SA

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*"on earth as it is in  
heaven..."*

## New Beginnings!

True to His word to us at the beginning of this year, God has indeed already blessed us with a number of exciting *new beginnings!*

### New Connections: Master Builders 2018



#### *Master Builders Conference - Clarens*

The "Master Builders 2018" conference organized by Regions Beyond network was an amazing opportunity to worship Jesus with people from various countries in Africa and other parts of the world. The picturesque little town of Clarens provided the ideal setting for a great time of connecting with God and like-minded people. It is with great excitement that we are looking forward to forging stronger relationships with leaders and churches in South Africa and abroad.

### New Connections: Deo Gloria 2018

The "Deo Gloria 2018" Conference held by the Assemblies of God Association gave us the chance to form new relationships as well as reconnect with regional and national leaders.

Both these conferences came at a time when we probably needed spiritual and emotional support the most. Our hearts overflow with gratitude to friends in Bedford, England who made it financially possible for us to attend.

## Mother's Day, May 2018

It was such a blessing and privilege for us to host Oviston's very first Mother's Day celebration. What a glorious opportunity it was to share God's love in word and deed! In the end we counted 51 mothers, one grandfather, a few babies and 46 children. By God's grace we were able to feed all of them! A big well done to Linky, Joshy, Nolin and Moses, with assistance from some of the Oviston young people.



We would love to make this an annual event to honour and thank our mothers – most of whom are single parents holding their families together at great sacrifice.



#### *Mother's Day Celebration 2018*

## New Impetus: Oviston Outreach

Our ministry in Oviston was given a massive boost when we had a team from the Eastern Cape regional leadership of the Assemblies of God Association helping us with

door-to-door and open air outreach. As a direct result of that we now have close to 40 people

attending and participating in our Sunday gatherings. In addition to that we have a growing Bible Study group on Tuesday evenings as well as a very well-attended community prayer action on Thursday evenings. It's remarkable that we regularly get between 15 and 20 *children* coming for Bible Study with the same number of adults.



Linky & Rose serving soup to children

Our prayer is for entire families and communities to be set ablaze with a new sense of life and hope that can only come from the Father of Light.

## A HUGE THANK YOU!!

To our faithful friends for your love and support – thank you! We pray that God will give you the good desires of your heart.

*“Oh, the joys of those who are kind to the poor! The Lord rescues them when they are in trouble.”* – Psalm 41:1

The task at hand is massive and feels overwhelming at times. **WE NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET!!** There are three ways to partner with us:

- **PRAY** for us on a daily basis. For our ongoing protection. For God's provision. For a mighty breakthrough in the whole region. For thousands to be saved and added to the Church.
- **GIVE** financially on a regular basis. ***What is important right now is for committed regular support for at least the following 12 months.*** Any amount, however big or small, regularly will be a massive blessing to us and the people we minister to.
- **COME** and work with us. Renovations and maintenance at OSL and KICO (Kingdom Impact Centre Oviston), outreach in Oviston, Venterstad and surrounding towns, and ministering to people in small groups and one on one all provide ample opportunity to practically show the love of Jesus.

If you would want to get involved, please, contact us using the contact details given on the front page of this Newsletter.

To our friends in the UK who would like to partner with us, it is possible for us to receive UK Gift Aid when given through “Kingdom Impact Reg. Charity 1174500” The bank details are Kingdom Impact, S/C: 30-65-22, Account: 79541868, Reference: KISA or contact: [mervyn.thomas@kingdomimpacttoday.com](mailto:mervyn.thomas@kingdomimpacttoday.com)

Thank you very much. God bless you abundantly!

## New Impetus: Kingdom Impact Centre

The process to purchase the property to make our very first Kingdom Impact Centre a reality, is now in full swing. We envisage that the final transfer of ownership will be done before the end of June. And then the big work of renovating and refurbishing the building will begin.

## A Not-So-New Challenge

Over the past 30 months a few things have become very clear:

- (1) The poverty level in the region is even worse than our initial observation – in some places, like Oviston, unemployment is at a staggering 60%;
- (2) Any church planting and/or ministry effort in this region will be doomed to fail without at least initial financial support from outside;
- (3) We cannot do this on our own.

As stated in our previous newsletter, this situation poses an enormous challenge but, we believe, it is also a glorious opportunity for the light of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and the reality of God's heavenly kingdom reign to mightily impact lives and transform communities.