

lesotho letters

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Prayer and Praise:

- Please **pray** much for the political situation in Lesotho. (See article below.)
- Continue to **pray** for Hope Christian Academy in Ladybrand. **Praise** God that some of the students have found spiritual help!
- I (Glenn) am thanking God for the privilege of attending a ministers' conference near Durban. The ministry of Dr. Alan Brown and others was a blessing.
- Continue to **pray** for revival in Lesotho, especially among the pastors. **Praise** God for the mercy drops, too!
- Please pray for rain! It has been a very hot, dry summer. Most people have completely lost their corn crop (the staple food in Lesotho.)

Thank You For Praying!

Recently several people have asked us to report on answers to prayer. Here are three:

"Do you remember me?" His face was very familiar, but I couldn't remember where I'd met him. Then it dawned on me. It was Masilo, the soldier who caused us so many problems when he was sent by the government to help build an addition at our clinic back in 2002. We had prayed a lot for him and asked others to pray, too. He occasionally visited the Bible studies but left Matukeng unconverted. As we chatted, I was wondering why he had come back.

I didn't have to wait long to find out. With the small talk over, he told how God had saved him soon after he left the clinic. He asked forgiveness for the way he'd lived, and told me about the wonderful changes God has made in his life since I'd last seen him five years ago.

Probably one of our most frequent prayer requests is for God's protection. Through God's mercy, we often don't see what could have happened, but two weeks ago we saw God clearly answer these prayers.

While Stephanie was making the bed, Kaitlyn sat down on a pillow on the floor. When the bed was made, Stephanie moved Kaitlyn and laid the pillow on the bed. As she lifted the pillow, a scorpion scurried out from under it!



Rev. Kali, his wife 'Mé Manthabi,
and their son Thabiso

When we came to Lesotho in 2000, the congregation at Matukeng was small, and the services often seemed "dead." On a good Sunday there might have been ten people, and most of them were living on the clinic compound. We asked you to pray, and God has answered. With God's help, Rev. Kali Nthabi has more than tripled the size of the congregation. Several people from a neighboring village now attend regularly. The teenage girls that got saved in Stephanie's Sunday School class are becoming strong Christians.

Thank you so much for praying!

Peace, Rain, and Plenty?????

Strikes. Political rallies that close roads. Parliamentarians escorted out of the parliament by soldiers. Burning tires. Burning taxis. Gas stations closed so people couldn't buy more gasoline to burn tires and taxis. Every business in the capital city closed for two days... That doesn't sound much like Lesotho's national motto (Peace, rain, & plenty). But that is what has been happening since the elections in February.



Supporter of the ABC party
protesting

We are so thankful that no one has been killed, but the situation is very serious. In the past political violence has often been aimed at foreigners. Please pray for our safety and that Jesus will give His peace so that His kingdom can prosper.



The symbol of the All Basotho Convention party is the rising sun. This is the party that is causing most of the problems.

Life in Lesotho

A man who has traveled extensively through Africa wrote, "The Swiss may have invented the watch, but Africa owns the time!"



It has taken four months to pave five blocks of the main street into Ladybrand, South Africa. Nothing happens fast here!



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Handyman Glenn

So far 2007 has been a year of building. In January and February, we put the finishing touches on the counseling addition at the clinic. The first part of March, we built an incinerator. Both of these projects were funded through a grant from the Development Corporation of Ireland. The incinerator is part of a new list of requirements that the clinic must comply with in order to be subsidized by the Government of Lesotho.



Last week Glenn welded together a carport to help protect our vehicles

from more hail damage than

they've already sustained. Last week, he and Mokoena (the clinic handyman) built a storeroom on the side of the car port. This week Dave Weaver, Jonathan Lucas, & Jon McVey are here on a Mission Helps team to help us remodel the storeroom at the back of our house. We are going to convert it into a small two-room "prophet's chamber." A big part of the team's job is to replace the leaking flat roof with a gable roof.



Kaitlyn's Korner



Hi! I love talking, and I mimic almost every word or phrase I hear. I quickly learn what the words mean too. My first Sesotho words were "koko" (knock-knock) and "kena" (come in).

Just two weeks ago, Mommy heard me telling Munchkin (my dog) "Nie, nie" (No, no). That was my first Afrikaans word!



Visiting my friends, Micah and Isaac Geise

We cannot thank you enough for your prayers and support.

You are investing for eternity!

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