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Greetings,

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It's been another unbelievably busy month. We started the month with our friends from Pretoria who came to build a playground. Hard to say how many people came through to help. They were trickling in from Friday morning through Saturday afternoon, and trickling back out again beginning Saturday afternoon until late Sunday. Due to electrical problems (I think we were overloading the system with too many machines, and the electric company kept going offline), the entire playground didn't get finished. Paul and Harry have been completing what parts they could, and our friends will be back soon to finish the job. In the meantime, one of the jungle gyms is useable, and the kids are having a blast on the swings. That piece of equipment only needs it's roof on. The other equipment still needs the bridge finished and the slide installed. Our guys were able to finish the fence and gates around the playground. We have pictures available on our website, and also have another video posted online of the playground being built. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8x5qT4Q6zx8>



Aaron and Jerusha, who have helped us in the past, brought his parents by to visit us. They had time to do a little tiling work in the children's home for us.

We thought we had all our required documentation to renew our visitors visa. But when we dropped off our package, they said we needed a police clearance from the USA. We thought we were going to have to return to the US, but we contacted the American consulate and they said we could get finger print cards from them in Johannesburg, mail them to the FBI, and wait for the clearance to be mailed to us. Needless to say, we made a road trip and picked those up. However, it is doubtful they will get back to us in time. We will end up having to redo some items because none of the paperwork can be more than 3 months old, and some of it is already almost 2 months old. It takes 2-3 months to get the visa renewed, which will put us past our date of 10 January. That's still not a huge problem. We can take a few days to go across the border into Botswana, which will put another stamp in our passport, giving us an additional 3 or 4 months in South Africa. But God is in charge of miracles, and who knows, maybe the entire process gets expedited along, and we get a new visa before January.

In addition to new playgrounds and visa applications this month, we are now "employers", which will generate the need for lots more paperwork. We are currently working through the process to make sure we've covered all that needs to be done.

We are hoping to be a little closer to having more children soon. One of the female pastors (Josephine) at the church has taken on the challenge of identifying other children in need. She

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lives in one of the outlying villages and teaches first grade. She is working with other teachers who also may be aware of other children in need.

Our friend Martin from England has blessed us with the undertaking to raise funds to build us a much needed vegetable tunnel. Martin and his team of volunteers will install the tunnel next February. Of course it will have to be monkey/baboon/porcupine and antelope proof, which will add to the cost. But it will provide the Fold with fresh organic vegetables, and hopefully enough left over to share with other non-profits in our area. Harry is a born gardener and is very excited about this project. In fact, he has started a small caged in vegetable garden adjoining the kitchen, using donated chicken wire to keep the animals out. Last month Harry planted lettuce in the caged in area under the watertower, and we're all enjoying fresh lettuce.



We had visitors at The Fold, and our children were singing for them. We posted a video on the internet. Please check it out. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VtLrh_lgJX4

Don't forget to check out our website for fundraising possibilities during the holiday season. If you would like to make a donation in someone else's name, we can send them a picture or note to show them what their gift is doing in South Africa.

We learned of a Christmas bazaar that will be held in the next town in late November. We have signed up for a booth and will be selling neck coolers and other handcrafted items that were donated to The Fold, with just this sort of thing in mind. It will also be a great way of networking and meeting new people who might want to help us.

We recently received a donation from a 15 year old boy, who was tithing his summer job earnings to help support Kgaogelo. What an amazing thing for a teenage boy to do. She will be starting preschool this January, so we will use his donation to buy her school uniforms.

Prayer requests: A quick return and approval of our visa. God's guidance on the new children that will be helped at the Fold. Funding for a passenger van and the second children's home. Good relationships between everyone at The Fold. Good health and safety for us all. The rains would come soon.

God bless and thank you for your support and prayers,
Paul and Micky Prince