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Greetings,

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Easter Sunday was a great day. We had about 100 people in our little church. Forty of those were black teenagers and young adults from Johannesburg that were in town for a weekend retreat. They sang quite a few songs in our church garden after the service. They were a great group. They are from one of the poorest townships, with one of the worst crime rates. But they all had Jesus in their hearts and are a great testimony of what you can overcome and deal with when you have a relationship with Jesus and put your trust in Him. The rest of the day we had a bunch of good friends over to our house for a cookout.

We recently had to purchase new tires for the truck. They only had 3 tires the size we needed, but our spare looked like it had never been used, so they used that one and only had to buy 3 tires. We are also purchasing our plane tickets the end of this month for our upcoming furlough in November and December. That's going to cost about \$2900.

We are starting to accumulate a few bits and pieces for the future children's home. We recently purchased a used chest freezer that's big enough to put both of us in it. It was \$250, which was a great buy.

Micky's Mom and sister's surgery went well. Both are recovering nicely. Thank you for your prayers.

It has come to our attention that we are not getting all of the e-mails that are sent to us. Not sure what the problem is, but if you have e-mailed us with a question and not received a reply, please ask again, we are not ignoring you. Hopefully if we have asked you a question, we got your reply.

If you remember back to our fund raising days before we left the states, we had a really great video of the soup kitchen. It has finally been put on the internet by the man who did all the work on the video. Here's a link to the page on his website that has the soup kitchen video:
<http://phillandrum.snappages.com/children-of-lesideng.htm>

Lately, we feel that we've been spending most of our lives recently on the road. In addition to all the usual driving, we're taking driving lessons in anticipation of our upcoming driving test, (hopefully sometime in late May). The driving lessons are an hour from here, then two hours of lessons, then another hour home. It really kills the day, and the lessons are really draining. We try and do at least two lessons a week. South Africa is really strict on their driving tests, and you have to drive exactly a certain way to pass the test. Once you have the license, I don't think anyone drives that way anymore.

Next month we will be concentrating on our driver's license test, and the last two weeks of the month, we will be out of town attending training at Bethesda's children home. They have a new set of parents that have just started working for them, and we have been invited to attend the training given to all new parents at the home. This home has been a blessing to us with all the help they offer.

Paul just got back from a weekend men's conference, called the mighty man conference. He



attended last year, where they were hoping for 20,000 men and had 67,000 show up. This year they were planning on 200,000 men and 360,000 registered. It was huge. Can you imagine that many men in one place camping out? It was said that when they all yelled "amen", you could feel the ground shake. Unfortunately the man who hosts this event, "Angus Buchan", had a mild heart attack just after the Saturday morning session. They checked him out and released him. He was supposed to be back on stage Sunday morning, but since it's an 8 hour drive

home, the guys left before the session started. This is a picture of the stage area and some of the surrounding camping area.

While Paul was at the men's conference, there was a huge motorcycle rally in our little town. Saturday morning I was hearing what sounded like a motorcycle race and was wondering why the police weren't doing anything about it. I walked into town and discovered they had closed the paved road near our house and was having a motorcycle drag race.

Our fundraising has been going well, however if everything falls into place to buy the property we have been praying about, we still need an additional \$50,000. We are loaning our personal savings to help purchase the property, so any funds raised above the \$50,000 will mean we have personal money to build ourselves a little house on the property. Just today we received an e-mail telling us our non-profit has been approved and gave us our official number. It may be two months before we get the official certificate, but we know the number and we can begin using it now. We are still waiting on our Section 21 company to be approved, but have been told we might have it in hand by the end of this month. However: there have been numerous holidays this month, so that might put us back just a little. This completes two of the four steps needed to finalize our South African non-profit status, and with these two tasks complete, we can begin our fundraising activities here in South Africa.

Prayer concerns. Please pray that we both pass our driver's test the first time. Pray for our fundraising efforts and the economy to improve for everyone's sake. Pray for our relationships here, Satan has been doing a number on this town lately. Please keep our families back home in your prayers, it's not easy to be separated from them.

God bless,

Paul and Micky Prince