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✕ **House Church Celebration** ✕

A great experience when brothers and sisters throughout the city come together in one place.

being politically correct, becomes natural

Given the history of apartheid and racial division, it is often remarked that representation of all racial groups should be visible.



For the house assemblies during their quarterly celebrations, its not problem, because it becomes natural. In this regard we are very pleased to be setting the example

During these assemblies, we are just reminded that it is by the grace of God that we are saved and have a serious task in getting others into the same relationship with Christ. We thank God that it is becoming more natural for the diverse cultures and backgrounds to experience our oneness in Christ.



Our oneness in Christ is cultivated during the house assemblies and confirmed during the celebration assemblies.

Because of the nature of house assemblies, people can open up and confess easily to one another, and are encouraged to do so, in order to help one another win the prize prepared by Christ.

New leaders are groomed during celebration assembly. Mark is about 2 years old as a Christian - used to be a drug addict and is now ministering to all people caught up in drug addiction.

We created this special class, because both Mark and his wife were addicts and are fully rehabilitated, by just making a firm commitment to stay focused on Jesus. During this class all present testified of God's grace in various situations



This past Sunday turned out well.

The God beyond our dictionary

Discussion:

Why can God not be fully explained by the use of the words of our dictionaries?

Our dictionaries only define those concepts relative to our experiences. It therefore inhibits the Holy Spirit in His ability to fully explain God. In other words the Holy Spirit is limited to our earthly words & dictionaries. So in order to explain God, the great "I AM" He had to use metaphors to take us beyond our limited and physical experience. The use of spiritual words in a physical environment to explain the spiritual environment is impossible. Hence the apostle Paul expression in 2Cor. 12:4:"how he was caught up into paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to speak." We don't have the vocabulary to understand the words of the spiritual realm. Therefore God cannot be fully explained by our words and dictionaries.

Why do men seek to explain God to be physically in his presence?

We know instinctively know that there is someone or something greater than ourselves. Some people call it the "force" and seek to worship and understand it. They therefore make idols shaped like man or animal to worship. Again a desire to understand the spiritual realm and because our vocabulary is limited, we create gods after our own image. They look like us physically and so we think we can play tricks on them and outwit them.

This is also due to man not seeking to understand God in the way that He reveals Himself to us in His word the bible.

In ancient Greece, the philosophers, Socrates & Plato knew there was something bigger than man and just in case they offended Him, they also had an altar marked "to the unknown God".

Travelling

During the 1st - 9th November I travelled to Jo'burg and Venda with Marvin Phillips, Dale and Kent Bresee. We got to Thoyohandou, Venda on the 3rd and met with the men of the church in Tshidimbini. It was decided that Marvin, Dale and Kent would meet with the Tshidimbini congregation, while I would go to the Moloweni congregation.

The next 2 days we distributed bibles to 4 high school (one of which was a private christian school)– 2109 bibles and Marvin preached in the tent for the 2 nights.

Coming back to Cape Town, Dale decided to take the drive with me, while Marvin and Kent flew into Cape Town. Dale was very impressed to see the country side and we overnighted in my hometown, Port Elizabeth the Thursday night, before driving on to Cape Town. I drove over 5000 kilometers on this round trip.

Back home

In Cape Town we meet for the last house church celebration and also completed the Saturday bible seminar in Eerste River. Marvin preached at the Eerste River church, Dale spoke at the celebration assembly, where I did the songleading. That evening Marvin went with me to preach at the Doc Mission church. This is an independent pentecostal church, whose pastor came to our Saturday bible seminars. During one of the our Saturday seminars, this pastor (Basil Isaacs) asked me to come and teach the book of Ephesians to his congregation in Afrikaans. Afrikaans is the mother tongue of most Colored people in the Cape area.

Marvin then started a campaign with the Eastridge church the following Wednesday, which required him to preach Thursday and Sunday morning as well. Dale spoke to the Eastridge men the Saturday between 10h00 and 12h00.

The next day was exciting and full – Marvin preached at Eastridge, Dale and Kent went out for an early morning drive through the winelands area, before going to Roger's for worship. I preached at the Doc Mission and then joined the rest of the brethren at Roger's.

The worship at Roger's started with a fellowship meal – many of the brethren from the previous general house church assembly came and brought food. After the meal, I lead a few songs and Roger introduced the Lord's supper, followed by some more singing and giving gifts by Dale and Kent. The worship ended at 16h00.

Thanks

.To the Park Plaza church, thank you so very much for your support and allowing me to be part of such a great work.

You are always in our prayers and wish God's richest blessings on you as you serve Him.

God bless

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Malvin, Hazel and the girls.



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