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Dear family in Christ,

I greet you all in Jesus' name.

'There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens...' Ecclesiastes 3:1

We all experience transitioning - personally, professionally and spiritually - on our transformative journey from infancy to maturity in these areas of our life. Our world is transitioning from one thing to the next all the time!

The southern hemisphere is supposedly transitioning from Winter to Spring, but we've been 'weather beaten' by extremely hot days and seriously cold ones; notably unusually severe snowfalls that caused loss of life and livelihood. In response, our FOXFIRE team partnered with Kaoma Fernandes to reach out with blanket distribution in the communities of Shiyazi and Impendle (victims of the snowstorm that befell the midlands).



Kaoma, (click to watch) may the Lord bless you, and all those with whom you have engaged with to raise funds, for your generosity and compassion!

Only days later, the Foxies and two members of our mission team made the 'long trek' to Eswatini (formerly Swaziland) for two weeks of Mission to schools, prisons, youth events and churches.





The team was also out on street evangelism and open-air preaching. So many people believe that they are in a relationship with God because of religious practices rather than a personal relationship, a daily walk with Him. The day of one's personal encounter with Jesus is life-giving.

We bless the Lord for the souls won during this time of mission in Eswatini and linking them to a church.





Foxfire applications are still open.

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The CENTRE has also experienced some transitioning. Sue (Fuller) has moved on from her time at AE to pursue an exciting opportunity of her own. In her stead 'yours truly' has transitioned into her vacated position of Centre Manager. "Here I am, send me" is a risky statement to make to God, believe me – I've transitioned from accountant to AE communications and now hospitality services!

God has been gracious and we've been reasonably busy at the Centre with large groups such as Groundworks, Northwest University, two Emmaus Walk groups, and two groups of learners from Scottsville Primary School on teambuilding. One of the Scottsville groups renamed us 'Africa Enter the Prize" (click to view); we'll take this as a 'prophetic' word 'out of the mouths of babes!'



Team building is also for `older' kids ...AFM Gibson Gate Mission

POWERING UP! Our grateful thanks to Martin Roestoff and his Powacorp CC team of Jaco, Lwazi and Bongumusa (pictured) for attending pro bono to some electrical maintenance work here at The Centre and repairing our HydroBoil. Thank you, guys for the generous gift of your time and expertise.



'A time to plant and a time to uproot...' Ecclesiastes 3: 2 We have also seen some creative transformation by our maintenance team as they transitioned wooden offcuts from gum and pine trees felled on our premises into a beautiful work of art!



These solid, hand and home-made table and two benches are available for sale to you for R 2,000 (Two Thousand Rand) for the set. A steal of a deal you will agree! If you are interested in purchasing, please contact Darryl Naidoo or Gavin John on (033) 347 1911. We can deliver within the Pietermaritzburg area at a delivery fee of R300. If you are outside of Pietermaritzburg you will have to arrange your own transport.

Danica Dorasamy returned to AE on the 01st September to manage AE's PARTNERSHIP & RELATIONS. Welcome back Danica! She was immediately tasked with exploring a potential partnership between the KZN municipality and African Enterprise. After numerous discussions and two successful meetings, significant progress was made! We are thrilled to announce a fantastic gift to our organisation, thanks to the KZN

Msunduzi Municipality's Parks and Recreation department, of 36 diverse wetland trees! This vibrant collection features indigenous gems, including the majestic Buddleja, the striking Hypericum caffrum, the beautiful Celitis Africana. More popularly known as the False Olive, the delightful Wild Plum, and the aromatic White Stinkwood. Not only is this a generous donation; it is a monumental step forward for African Enterprise, in the wake of our recent efforts to remove alien plants from our grounds. With thoughtful planning and teamwork, we are confident these trees will flourish, enriching our environment and providing lasting benefits for years to come.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to Mr. Tutshana and his dedicated team at the Msunduzi Municipality for facilitating this generous donation and being our key contact.

Your support is invaluable to us! Danica handed over a Certificate of Appreciation to them!





Leave footprints of impact, a gift beyond a lifetime! We want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for your years of commitment to African Enterprise: you are a special and valued supporter. Your generosity has significantly impacted the lives of people you may never have the chance to meet, yet, through your heart for evangelism, you are helping to change the course of many lives today!

Have you considered how you could leave a lasting footprint beyond the seeds you have already sown? We would like to respectfully invite you to explore another meaningful way to leave your legacy, by naming African Enterprise as a beneficiary in your will at some stage in your life. This ensures that your values and commitment to our collective vision for evangelism will serve as a lasting memorial. Making a bequest is a simple process, and there are various ways to include African Enterprise in your will. If you'd like to discuss this further, Danica is available to have a conversation with you, and we assure you that all discussions will be held in strict confidence. Your legacy can inspire others and create a profound impact on the ministry of African Enterprise.

Thank you once again for your support and consideration. Together, we can continue to make a lasting impact.

TEAM NEWS - A LIFETIME OF SERVICE!

'So, I saw that there is nothing better for a person than to enjoy their work, because that is their lot.' Ecc 3:22

There was also the 'small' matter of a young-at-heart 87-year-old transitioning into his 88th year as we celebrated our amazing Founder's 88th birthday. Thanks to all of you for your good wishes.



'You can't reach this age without a great sense of gratitude to God,' he said, then thanked the Lord for his parents, his sisters, his colleague who led him to the Lord at the tender age of 19, and his clear calling to evangelise the cities of Africa at the age of 21. "Thank God for this ministry planted on African soil. God is on the move, opening doors for us to continue the work. The cities of Africa are our calling."

Indeed, dear Michael, we too are thankful for your calling, your obedience and your lifetime of dedication to fulfilling it!

'I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God.' Ecclesiastes 3:12-13

God bless you all!

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Dear friends, we would like to stand in faith with you for your prayer needs, so we invite you to send prayer requests to prayer@ae.org.za



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