
Subject: Requests ...

Dear Saints

From time to time, needs arise in and about this ministry which cannot be fulfilled without your generous support. In the Cape Town Herald office we have developed a strong policy and discipline of NEEDS first, and WANTS later. Having done so only on rare occasions, we would like to communicate some of these needs to you now.

Heading towards the end of 2005, we would like to express our heart-felt gratitude to each and everyone who have contributed to make this ministry possible. Many have prayed, researched, done advertising & PR, spread the word, made finances available, provided moral support, organised, made repairs (especially to cars and computers!), done jobs for free, offered us good prices on goods & services & know-how, opened their homes, counselled, advised, prophesied, praised, rebuked in love, etc. We appreciate these SO much, and believe you have sown into good soil.

After all, you haven't done it for us, but as a co-worker in the Kingdom! To Him be ALL the power, the glory and the praise. Let us pledge to serve Him even better next year!

OUR MOST URGENT CURRENT NEEDS ARE:

1. Prayer for a teaching trip to Ireland (Dublin).
2. Video clips of baptismal services.
3. Sponsors for our kids.
4. Repairs to our car.
5. A data projector.
6. A car for a couple who've been without one for years.
7. A sponsor for our secretary.

If you would not be able to supply in some of these needs, and you know a person(s) who could, please be so kind as to pass this e-mail on them.

1. PRAYER FOR TRIP TO IRELAND:

We will be teaching Course 1 of the PILTC (Prayer & Intercession Leaders Training Course) in Dublin, Ireland from 14 - 18 November. We will leave on 10 Nov, and be back in the office on 23 Nov. Please pray for:

- a. Logistics: Pray that all arrangements will run smoothly, i.e. flights (via Amsterdam), advertising, transport, attendance, accommodation, health, etc.
- b. Favour with hosts & audience.
- c. Anointing on teaching.
- d. Personal safety, also for the family at home (physically, emotionally & mentally, spiritually).
- e. Finances to cover travelling costs (from course fees in Dublin).

2. VIDEO CLIPS OF BAPTISMAL SERVICES:

An enormous need exists in the Christian community for good, user-friendly teaching on a very basic issue: Baptism.

Many such attempts have been made in the past by various individuals and institutions, but confusion on this issue still runs rampant in the Church. We believe we have developed a very simple, non-doctrinal approach to this issue - which had already proved to be extremely effective in clearing up the confusion.

Towards producing a short teaching video using this principle, we are in desperate need of EXISTING video clips of actual baptismal services in the mainline churches. We need to obtain the written permission of parents to use such material (which is usually no problem). Obtaining permission from Church Boards to shoot our own material in their churches has proved to be a never-ending frustration - we have only been able to shoot two clips in 2005. Thanks! - and a carnation each to the Anglican and the Greek Orthodox Churches!

We still need footage on the following:

NG Kerk; Gereformeerde Kerk; Hervormde Kerk; Afrikaanse Protestante Kerk; Pinkster Protestante Kerk; Roman Catholic Church; Apostolic Faith Mission; Presbyterian Church; Methodist Church; Baptist Church; Assemblies of God; Church of England; Full Gospel Church; Lutheran Church; Moravian Church; Congregational Church.

Could you help us?

3. SPONSORS FOR OUR KIDS:

Our two boys, Bennie (13) and Hannes (9) are getting bigger, and ever more interesting!

As parents, we are very proud of Bennie, who has obtained a two year scholarship from Bellville High School for the start of his high school career in 2006 (grade 8). This bursary, however, does not include extra-mural activities, books, clothing, sports equipment or tournament fees.

Hannes will continue to attend Hebron Christian School next year (grade 4).

Both our boys are highly talented (don't all parents think that of their boys?) and real achievers (ditto!). However, both had to make great sacrifices in the past due to their parents' financial position. The two of them will be competing for Western Province at the SA Schools Chess Championships in Port Elizabeth in December. We are still R3000 short to cover their expenses - this is their immediate need.

Both boys also sport Western Province colours in wrestling, in which we've had to terminate their participation, due to rising costs. We would hate to deny them hard-earned opportunities due to a lack of finances.

Wouldn't you consider enquiring from the Lord whether you should get involved in sponsoring their extra-mural activities for 2006?

4. REPAIRS TO OUR CAR:

Our ministry car has a slipping clutch - a costly repair. It's a 1986 Honda Ballade. Could anybody help?

5. A DATA PROJECTOR:

For several years now, we have been in need of a good data projector. The lecture alternative (colour transparencies on an overhead projector) is extremely costly and clumsy. For audiences of average size (\pm 50 people), a projector of at least 1500 ANSI lumens capacity is fair. For larger audiences, 2000 ANSI lumens is required. Cost range: R 6 000 - R 12 000.

Such a projector would open up the opportunity to develop powerful new teachings on various topics. We already have enough revelation for a number of these - they only need to be DONE.

Could you help us?

6. A CAR FOR A COUPLE WHO'VE BEEN WITHOUT ONE FOR YEARS:

Without a car, a family is crippled. Without a car, a ministry is lost.

This is not for OUR ministry, but for somebody else's.

Could you help?

7. A SPONSOR FOR OUR SECRETARY:

Brenda Mostert (single) had been with us for 3 years, selflessly offering her services without asking anything in return. She is an indispensable part of this ministry - taking most of the routine jobs off my hands.

As you might well know: Any ministry COSTS money - it doesn't PAY money. Most missionaries all over the world have to pay their own way. As much as we would like to pay Brenda a monthly salary - we simply cannot.

If the Lord lays it on your heart to sponsor her in any way, it would be MUCH appreciated.

BRENDA'S BANKING DETAILS

Standard Bank 374 119 392

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Please do not feel under any obligation to fulfill any of the above-mentioned needs. We totally release you to act only as the Lord might lead you.

Blessings in Christ.

Eben Swart & family

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