

PAUSE....to ponder.....2 days to Christmas....what an absolutely amazing time of the year. While the world goes about it's ways and so many people (especially Discovery Channel) telling us how this is all wrong, we who believe in Jesus bow once again at His Majesty and ponder again at His amazing love for all mankind.

AND HIS AMAZING FAITHFULNESS

AND HIS AMAZING PATIENCE

AND HIS AMAZING GRACE.....all of which we have seen in full measure in 2011 !

In sickness and in health, in riches and in poverty, in joy and in sadness, times of darkness and times of glorious light - He has carried us through.

We want to wish you God's RICHEST BLESSING at this Christmas time, and to THANK ALL who have prayed for us and supported us in the ministry God has placed before us.

The next three months is a real 'hotch-potch' of activities:

- Tomorrow (Saturday 24th) we head to Bethlehem in the Free State to spend
- Sunday 25th at Etembeni at the Mahon Evangelical Church's Christmas Services
- Monday 26th to Saturday 7th January.....HOLIDAYS IN THE WINTERBERG MOUNTAINS.....no TV, no cell phone signal (unless we take a long walk up the mountain) BUT Christopher, Gregory and Naomi will BE WITH US !!!! But Sunday 8th....the kids 'scatter' to their various homes.....
- Sunday 8th - Thursday 12th : Annual Missionary Meetings when all the ZEMA folk meet at Sunbury
- Sunday 15th to Sunday 4th February: visiting supporting Churches in the Eastern Cape
- ....and then it's back to Nelspruit to prepare for the first 'big trip' into Mocambique for 2012.

PS.....as we'll be in the E Cape from the 15th January till the beginning of March WE ARE AVAILABLE to meet with you, a home group, a missions prayer meeting.....please feel free to invite us. We do have a number of appointments set up but still do have time available. Call us on 079 5131 520

MEANWHILE.....

- Christopher starts his first 'real job' on 2nd January - he is contracted with Ernst & Young in Bloemfontein and writes the first Board Exam later in January.
- Gregory goes into his 3rd year at the Baptist Theological College (Johannesburg) in January
- Naomi goes into her 2nd year of University life (Pretoria) in January.

All three are going to start the new year INDEPENDANTLY.....we'll be in KZN and so they are 'flying solo'.....we marvel at their maturity and give thanks to God for them. Please pray for Gregory - TODAY, on the day he left Johannesburg to come to Nelspruit, he went outside to find his motor bike had been stolen during the night - another challenge to face !

So, a GOOD YEAR ENDS, and we look forward to God's leading into 2012. May HIS BLESSING rest on you,

Richard and Geraldine, Christopher, Gregory and Naomi