Every Wednesday afternoon Rachel has a three hour computer class at another High School. So, I (Luann) pick her up after school and we rush off to her class. The interesting thing is that the class is on the other side of the "mountain." So, the trip will find us sometimes flying, gently coasting, or riding the brake on the down side. Occasionally on the climb up we can be found zooming, usually puttering, and sometimes stuck behind a slow, stinky old truck and mightily praying the traffic won't stop! Sometimes, in a panic, I begin to roll back down the hill. And the funniest sight would be me in my little one litre/three cylinder car going up the steep grade in first gear all the while patting the steering wheel and earnestly praying.

The image of a trip up and down a mountain is a little like our ministry here in Gauteng. Some days things are going so well that we can't even keep up with what God is doing and other days we are just crawling along at a slow, steady pace and other times we are taking two steps back and clinging to the Lord for wisdom and guidance. Let me show you how ...

SPEEDING: Combining full-time Gauteng ministry and full-time Field Director responsibilities can be an interesting juggling act. Recently Tim ministered in four provinces in 5 days. We are grateful for the Masekos, Woods and the Wolfaardts who keep the ZEBS coasting along. This past weekend Tim was at the Nzabilinda commissioning service, which was a testimony to God's call and faithfulness. We will miss the Sullivans commissioning on May 25.

SLOW AND STEADY: ZEBS at our four locations continue to go forward at a steady rate. Testimonies from the students always encourage us. We are glad that new students have come to take the place of the ten 2007 graduates. Preparation for teaching Bible Club and Chronological Studies each week keeps us busy. New Sunday Schools are being added and new teachers are being trained and we are even planning our first Alumni ZEBS this year for Gauteng.

STUCK: We continue to be overwhelmed by the opportunities before us. We have more names and requests than we can handle. Join us in praying for more workers among the amaZioni in Gauteng.

HOME NEWS

We will leave for our visit to the USA for a short Home Assignment on May 22nd and will be returning to South Africa shortly after Marie's wedding to Jonathan Morrison on August 16th in Zion, IL, where we will be based. We will be visiting churches and supporters in the Indiana, Illinois and Minnesota areas as well as working with the Home Office regarding Tim's administrative responsibilities. We are looking forward to seeing our friends and family in the Midwest and catching the rest of you on our next visit. A nice bonus is that we get to have two summers in 2008!

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Please, pray for …

- Safe travels
- Ministries carrying on in our absence
- Marie's Wedding
- Nzabalinda's move to Mocambique
- Sullivan's move to Swaziland
- Need for more missionaries