

June 2010 Fabule Family Update

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Here is the latest news from the Fabule family along with some pictures of our kids and recent events in our ministry.

Surgery and Strategy – January - March

We returned from the US in December and prepared for Gabriel's mouth surgery. Gabriel has had an enlarged – but not painful or cancerous – gland on the roof of his mouth. Gabriel did not have any medical insurance but God miraculously gave us a surgeon, Dr. (Professor) Morkel, who performed the surgery for free at a teaching hospital in Cape Town in late January. It was uncomplicated, but it took Gabriel a few weeks before he could talk/preach and a few months before he could eat meat! By late March the mouth was completely healed.

In December, we asked YWAM for extended leave to focus on strengthening our local church leaders in Delft and East London. Our calling is to reach the South African townships with the gospel through church planting and community development. We have labored for 7 years in the townships and are just now seeing some local leaders modeling a Christian lifestyle. These leaders will become our future deacons and elders. Gabriel will return to YWAM in September and Deborah after she completes her Master's degree in February.

Kitchens and Churches - April - May

In mid-March, Pastors Vernon and RuthAnn Dean came to Cape Town. The Deans are from Christian Assembly, Deborah's home church in Vienna, Virginia. They were busy with Pastors' Seminars, Sunday services, prayer meetings, and time with us. They also brought with them a gift from the church ... a new kitchen! We mentioned last year that our kitchen needed repair. Christian Assembly rose to the challenge and we were initiated into the world of "home improvement" - managing budgets, contractors, delays, and massive water leaks. By the end of May, we commissioned our "Coffee Shop Kitchen" in honor of Christian Assembly's coffee-shop style fellowship lobby. Another commissioning happened in May, when, in an emotional service filled with God's presence, Gabriel commissioned LSFM church in Delft, Cape Town. In April, we started the process to divide the LSFM Cape Town church into two fellowships so that Mfuleni Church will meet at the community hall and Delft Church will meet in the wooden church meeting house on the LSFM property. Gabriel will pastor the church in Mfuleni and Pastor Stephen Akinume from Nigeria will oversee the church in Delft.

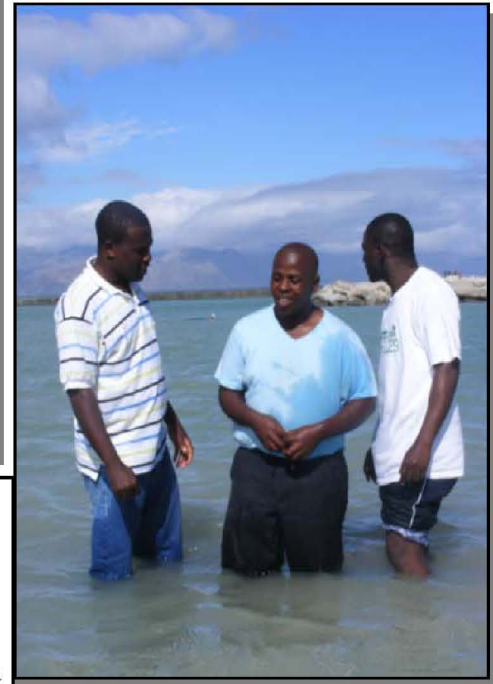
Family and Soccer – June – July

Deborah continues working on her thesis and completing her Masters degree in Ancient Studies at the University of Stellenbosch. In June, she travelled to Virginia to attend the wedding of her nephew, Gabriel, to his fiancée Catherine. Since most of her brother's family is immigrating to Israel, this was a great way to see many of them before returning to South Africa. Fred and Judy Kory will be visiting in July to visit us and to see the games!

Joseph will be 3 in July. He is talkative, winsome, clever, and caring. He goes to playgroup and loves swimming, playing /watching soccer (with daddy of course), and has an informal pet – a wild gecko named WALL who sometimes comes into the house. Jonathan is 1 ½ in June and is walking and babbling. He continues to be a sweetheart. We have nicknamed him Winnie the Pooh. He is a big eater and his favorite breakfast meal is rice and sauce.

Blessings from the Fabules (Gabriel, Deborah, Joseph and Jonathan)

PS The **2010 FIFA Soccer World Cup** has kicked off in South Africa! This is a momentous occasion for South Africa! While relaxing this summer, or if you catch the World Cup on TV, please take a moment to pray for us and consider a financial donation to our ministry as we reach South Africa with the gospel of Jesus Christ. **For the cost of those "favorite game" snacks, you can make a difference and help us transform impoverished South African communities into communities of hope. Please consider a monthly contribution of \$25 or an annual gift of \$300 toward Living Spring Faith Ministries.** Donations can be made through our website at www.livingspringfaithministries.org or simply make out a check to LSFM-USA (a registered 501c3) and send it to 1879 Cold Creek Ct. Vienna, VA 22182-1807 and specify "support" or "where needed most" on the memo line.



Pictures from bottom left corner clockwise

- Gabriel and pastors commissioning Delft Church
- The Old Kitchen needing repairs
- Gab & Deb and Pastor Vernon and RuthAnn Dean
- The Boys—Joseph and Jonathan
- Gab & Deb with Focus on the Family SA Ceo Dr. Amon Mkwasambala
- Gabriel and Pastor Stephen baptising a church member Easter, 2010
- Center: The Final Kitchen