



## NEWS FROM MITCHELLS PLAIN

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### Office, Tenants & Burglars!



At last we have been able to move into our new office. It was with great relief that Todd and Jane, the tenants, announced that they had found a

place to stay and were leaving at the end of January. Through the process, we were able to get to know them, love them and encourage them to pursue a relationship with Jesus. Since they moved out, Jane and the children have been attending our services and the children have been coming to the kid's club and youth group. When many encouraged us to seek a court order to evict them, we were grateful to God that our expression of His grace was vindicated.

Having an empty office came with its own set of problems though and in no time we were 'relieved' of our new phones and modem by drug addicts who broke in through the back door, kicking the security gate from its hinges. We now have four locks on all the doors and a new set of burglar bars. That didn't stop them from trying again though, via a back window. After they broke the window, they were surprised to discover that we had someone sleeping in the office. We are now fitting the office with an alarm and praying that eventually they will give up. All these security measures are chipping away at the bank account. Of course the people breaking in are

the very people who we are praying God will help us to reach, with the hope of the Gospel.

### Christ, Life, Crazy!

Grant is setting up an interesting project called Christ Life Crazy, using art and hip-hop dancing to help 50 children come to know Jesus. We are praying that God will provide at least 10 volunteers to disciple the young people. Grant is busily developing the bible teaching material and spending time in art supply stores setting up a budget. Please pray for this venture - that we will be able to reach these children and that God will use their new found skills in art and dance to reach others. The programme will last about 3 months and end with a showcase for the parents and community.

### Trinity Children's Centre

We cannot help boasting about what God is doing in the lives of these 15 children, pictured here on an outing to the waterfront. Every day, our team of Renier, Lexi, Aunty Veronica and the teacher, Francis, share the love of Jesus with these children, teaching



them about Jesus, stimulating them through play and structured learning and ensuring that they are well nourished and rested. We still need more people to join our “sponsor a child” programme this year while we put together a comprehensive business plan for potential corporate sponsors. The good news is that a UK based charity, called ECLISA Trust, is now willing to receive donations from our friends in England and forward the funds on to TCC. If you would like to join our sponsor a child programme, please check out the website, [www.trinitychildrenscentre.co.za](http://www.trinitychildrenscentre.co.za).

## Growth

Trinity is experiencing tremendous growth in numbers. Our morning service has become so full that we decided to offer a repeat of the service in the evening. Already the evening service is growing and taking on a personality of its own. Midweek, we have a new young adults bible study - Clint Kimble, a student from GWC, is working hard to grow the group that is made up of 30 somethings, and I have accidentally started a bible study with a group of 3 men on a Thursday evening.



Our children’s club on a Friday is growing as well. With the numbers increasing, we urgently need more leaders. Please pray that God will give Ryan, Barry and the other leaders, great wisdom as they seek to exploit this amazing evangelistic opportunity.