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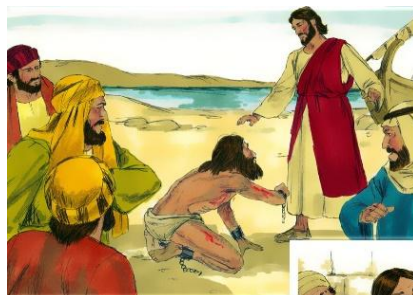
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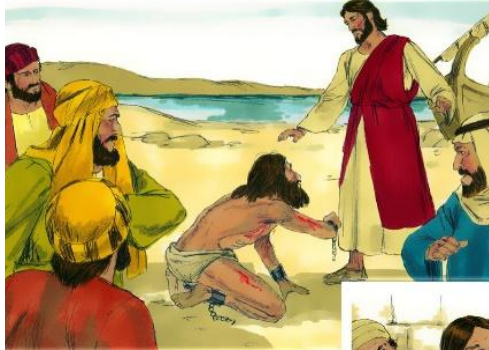
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It is very interesting to note that when Jesus healed this demon possessed man from Decapolis, who was so willing to follow Him, he did not firstly send him to a Theological institution to receive more knowledge.

He rather sent him back to his family and friends to go and share His *testimony* with them.

And we hear what happened as a result of it...

What should we learn from Jesus when it comes to this?

Are we this serious about reaching the lost that we will also be as willing to release the willing, so that they can go and share Jesus with their people?

Or are we putting *un-Christlike restrictions* on them and letting their people suffer eternally because of it?

May this Newsletter serve as a testimony to what God is able to do when we become *willing to release the willing*...

Giepie Van der Merwe (DGM-Co-ordinator)

When the willing are released amongst those with the same struggle

God opened the door for me at an Islamic University. There the Lord led me to the University canteen, where I met a young man who was busy on his phone.



I approached him and after greeting him he gave me the opportunity to share my testimony with him.

Through my testimony, he opened up to me about his struggle with homosexuality which began while in primary school and now at university.

I prayed for him and God began to work in his life. He lost the desire for homosexuality and he began to lead others to Jesus Christ, the One who had delivered him.

Currently there are 40 students who have come to Christ of which some were homosexuals, although some are still struggling with it, we know the Lord will deliver them as they keep on seeking Him and His deliverance" (Brother James)

The willing bearing much and lasting fruit

Esther Mirembe is a second generation disciple-maker who has formed a strong disciple-making team with her husband and other faithful ones.

They go from town to town,
village to village seeking People
of Peace and establishing
Discovery Bible Study groups
amongst them and their people.

In the diagram we see clearly how these groups have multiplied and formed new groups with the people they know and how it is just continuing...

This is just a testimony of what God can do when we are *willing to release the willing!*



Esther with a group from one of the villages.



The *willing* bearing much fruit in KZN

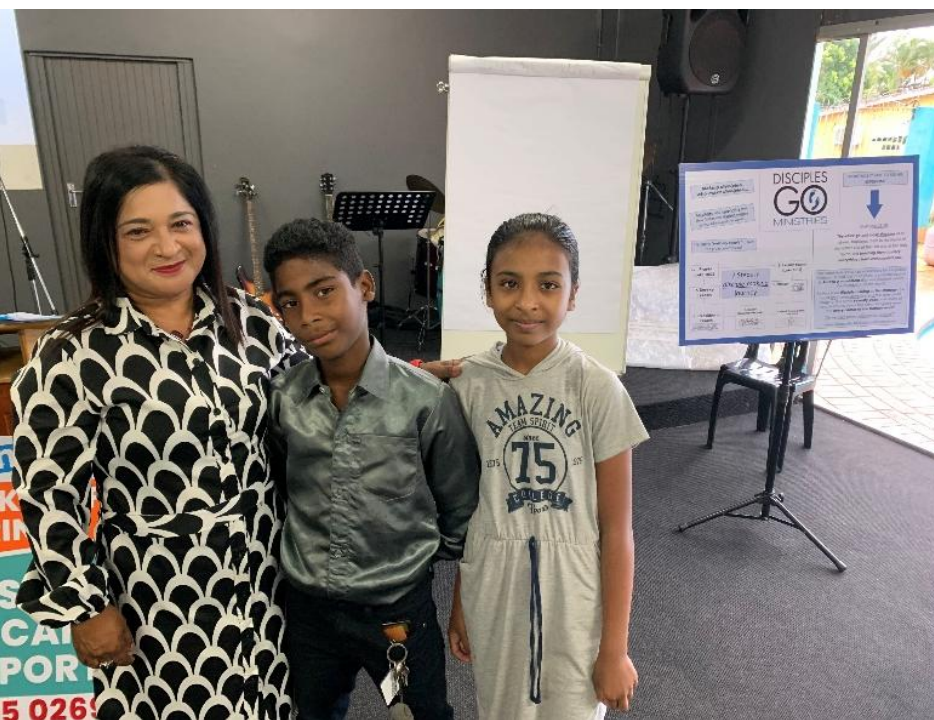
"The disciple making movement in Gingindlovu is vibrant and active with a strong emphasis on reaching out to young adults and families in the community. Our team are passionate and work consistently to share the message of Jesus Christ and make new disciples. One of our key strategies employed in our efforts is through weekly small group (Discovery Bible Study) meetings. These meetings provide a space for young adults and grown-ups to come together, study the Bible, pray and encourage one another in their faith journey.

The small groups are committed to fostering a sense of community and belonging among the group members, helping them to grow in understanding of the gospel and their relationship with God. And in these meetings, we develop trust for one another and in it we share our struggles, we share our victories and therein we hear the testimonies of what God is doing in the lives of our people.

There's a revival taking place in the hearts of the young people because in all their spare time, they want to do Discovery Bible Study.

They're telling their friends at school and inviting friends from school to Discovery Group sessions. So, our groups are growing at an accelerated rate where our young children and young adults are so excited about discovering truth from the Bible for themselves and they are not shy to share what they are learning with others who are part of their network of people.

There are also a beautiful mentoring process going on as the more mature disciple makers are mentoring the younger disciples and helping them grow in Christ and in their witness for Him. The disciple making efforts in Gingindlovu have born much fruit with many people coming to faith in Jesus Christ and committing to follow him as their Lord and Savior.



These new disciples are actively involved in making more disciples which is creating a ripple effect that continues to spread throughout our high school and our community."
(Sister Sandra)

Disciple-maker, Sandra Perumal with some of the children from their Discovery Bible Study groups

How “releasing the willing” in Mooiplaas are already bearing fruit

During one of the
disciple-making trainings
in Mooiplaas.

MOOIPLAAS, an informal settlement of foreigners from various Southern African countries and local tribes, is established on a landfill site, and the recycling of waste creates an opportunity for income.

The Lord sent us to Mooiplaas with Isaiah 61, the prophecy of the Messiah’s mission - to bring the message of hope, freedom, and release from captivity of various kinds. The Lord’s purpose is to restore lives and relationships with Him. This is the Lord’s mission conferred on us in John 20:19 - 23.

These past months, I was so amazed about the power of the strategies of Disciple Making Movement, which we taught at Mooiplaas, in three consecutive months. As we taught the principles of the Discovery Bible Study with the importance of “I Will” statements and accountability, we saw the number of attendees almost doubling each time, as they shared with others what they learnt and brought them along.



We spent a night at the home of Delan and Charity and their kids and experienced true hospitality and fellowship. We visited their neighbours, two by two, and we were welcomed at every home - as in Luke 10. What a blessing this was!

Since the training we were able to establish a ‘Crochet fellowship’ to build relations and do Discovery Bible Study. Already at the first meeting, in the ‘Connect’ part, two ladies broke down, repented, and received Jesus as their Saviour.

At the second meeting two ladies gave feedback of their “I will” -statements. They did the very same Discovery Bible Study with two other groups of people, and four people received Jesus. This was not the intent of any one of us,

it is purely the work of the Holy Spirit. All glory to God!

I see the Persons of Peace - not all believers yet - eagerly asking and taking the surplus Discovery Bible Study papers to share with community members that they are concerned about.

At every encounter I see the principles and strategies and teachings of Jesus bearing fruit. What a privilege to be on co-mission with Jesus!

Sister Hettie

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Flooding Africa with more disciple-makers



Students and staff from Back to the Bible-Mission

During the month of May we had the privilege of training students from across Africa and others continents at Back to the Bible Mission in Barberton.

The training was well received and some have already made contact with us to share how much fruit is occurring as they have started applying what they learned, by faith.

The goal is now to labour further with them so that God can make them become those *trees* in His Kingdom, attracting and influencing many others (cf. Matthew 13:32).

Back to the Bible is also a wonderful “hub” that the Lord has opened for us where we can keep on going and training students from Across Africa, so through them He can flood this continent with more disciples, living His perfect vision!



Suid-Afrikaanse Aksie vir Wêrelddevangelisasie
South African Action for World Evangelization

Over the past couple of months, we have grown closer to another missionary organization called SAAWE (South-African Action for World Evangelization).

The Lord is forming a beautiful partnership in the gospel between us as we are working together and learning from each other in order to make a greater impact in this world for Him.

On 31 May we had the privilege of training their workers in making disciples. It was a wonderful day together as the Lord revealed many things that will help all of us in our quest to serve His Kingdom movement on earth. And we are excited about the prospect of taking hands and doing it together.

We know it is His will that there must be this type of *missional unity* and that it will be a blessing!

(cf. John 17; Psalm 133)

“We needed a strategy that will free us so that every believer can become a Priest” (Ed Gross)

Please partner with us by praying for the following:

- 1. For all disciple-makers who is part of this and every network to stay *healthy* and *able to go and make disciples of all nations*.
- 2. For *Discovery Bible Study groups* everywhere to *multiply* into more groups in order to reach the lost.
- 3. For more labourers/disciple-makers to be sent out from engagements and trainings with existing Churches.
- 4. That God will give everything needed for our planned trip to *Uganda and Rwanda* in order to strengthen Disciple-makers there.
- 5. For guidance in way forward with possible partnership/merging with the missionary organization called SAAWE.

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