November December 2017

Greetings and Salutations humble readers of our newsletters. We are winding down from this whirlwind of a time in South Africa. With many goodbyes awaiting us, and many hugs/kisses patiently waiting our return we would like to send you one last newsletter from across the Atlantic and for 2017. Please enjoy!



To continue the highlight of the many departments we have had the pleasure of working alongside, and praying for here are a few more:

Financial development is not just fundraising. It's project development. It provides structures for the growth of ministries. We bring those who are called to give to those who are called to go, so both can serve in the kingdom. We're bridging the gap. We make sure projects have a written plan so donors can see the needs, and we also help ministries to provide feedback reports. So the donor can see that he really made a difference. We're the middleman. Its two disconnected callings—if you take the "giving" and the "going," we bring those together. It's about networking; fundraising is based in building and maintaining

relationships.

Louri & Karin Snyders are native South Africans and were interviewed for this newsletter, here is what they shared. "We helped start OM books in 2006. Our whole ministry is based on the fact that we want to bring affordable, quality Christian literature within reach of every person on our African continent. That's why we do what we do—to create that platform for people. Especially with Bibles: it enlarges our

platform for evangelism. We equip people not only to be better followers of Christ, but to reach out to their neighbors. When I became a Christian, the guy who discipled me put a strong emphasis on reading. We would meet every week or two, and he would always have something new for me to read. So books have had a very direct influence on my Christian walk, especially when I was a younger Christian. Christian literature can make a significant change. The day-to-day is routine work, in a business sense, but it's also a ministry. The two



need to be in balance, because if it's just a business, then the ministry disappears. But if it's just a ministry, it can't function."

Parker & Megan Ask November 7December 2017

This past month we have also enjoyed our last time serving at the OM MDT (Missions Discipleship Training) Base for the MMT (Missions Mobilization Training) week. This is an intense week filled with cultural meals, role playing, engaging in prayer for the nations and persecuted churches, and learning about cultural dress.

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Culture and Countries are experienced through clothing, simulations, and much more. Along with the cultural dress, there are actives, dramas, and performances that mobilize us to pray, give and go!

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Left- Parker's sister, Parker's mother, Parker, Megan @ the Indian Ocean Middle- Safari selfie with a giraffe Right- Nelson Mandela statue @ the Union Buildings

Upcoming Events

Saying Goodbyes & Our Departure end of January

Prayer Requests

Praises & Prayer for finishing strong in our final months apart of Africa Area team Prayers for all the **Furlough Invite letters sent still awaiting your response**.

Prayers for safe travels to all our destinations, getting us to the States.

Prayers for no lost or stolen luggage during these travels.

Praises for safe arrival and departure of Parker's family in South Africa.