

WCF Report – October / November

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I keep thinking my week can't possibly get any more exciting, uplifting or challenging. Yet somehow it always does!

In mid October I took 6 of the Mariannhill youth to Johannesburg for a weekend camp. We had reached our goal of raising all the necessary money for all of them to attend. It really was an uplifting weekend for all of us, and I think the youth really enjoyed meeting other youth from around South Africa.

I have handed over the Lamontville youth group to the new volunteers, so I have more time on my hands to focus on the schools. So instead of going to Lamontville every Friday I now go to the BEC and give a class if there are any students in. At the moment there is one student, Cathy who is a catholic and wants to know all about the book of Daniel and Revelation. I am very young in the word and also find those two books a tad difficult but David White has offered to give me weekly classes and so by doing so he teaches me how to teach others. I am really enjoying that!

My reading class is going well. Jude a volunteer from the UK enjoys the Reading Class so much that she wants to start one in Mariannhill. I'm going to be helping her over the next month in order to be ready to start for the New Year in January.

The schools are going well. We have had a few complications with two of the teachers, one from Lamontville and another from Mariannhill. This has taken up a lot of my time and energy. It will all be resolved soon and hopefully settle down.

I hope to be going down to Candu and Margate for lengthy periods of time in the near future if all goes well. They don't seem to benefit from the odd visit and correspondence. I am sure that having the extra volunteers will make it safer to travel down more often than in the past.

I am trying to get more of the local brethren and sisters involved in any area of 2010 work, especially the young people. I feel it's important for them to experience the fulfilment that helping others brings. In our Monday night young peoples class, David and I constantly try to encourage the youth to help out in whatever way they can. So far Bernice Bilton has started coming out to the crèche's and Warren Boyle has offered to help out on one of our house renovation projects.

I thank our Heavenly Father for blessing us so abundantly so that we might help others around us, and I pray He gives us all strength and a sound mind to deal with any challenges that might arise in the future.



One of our Lamontville teachers, Rose, telling a story.



Kim of the children from our Lamontville crèche.



The new feature in the garden at Lamontville – a plastic house donated second hand by Karen and Zazz Oosthuisen.



The youth that went up to Braambos.



The Braambos camp.



Laying grass at an underprivileged crèche in Mariannhill.