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Revival in the Body of Christ

And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk.4:21). In Psalm 139:16 it is mentioned that all our days are written before it even began. God has the blueprint for our lives. Imagine the impact that we can have on this world if we live according to the purposes of God for all our lives. **Heavenly Father, please help us to live out Your purposes for our lives. We desire that Your writings of our lives will be fulfilled in the company of those who are hungry for Your Truth.**

Testimony: Girl healed in school prayer room

When I offered to pray for Charly*, she wasn't enthusiastic about it. In fact, she wasn't 'enthusiastic' about the 24-7 Prayer Room we'd set up in her school at all. She preferred to lean on her crutches in the entrance we'd constructed between rows of lockers, and watch her year-9 class-friends noisily explore the room. A horse had trodden on her foot a few days before that. I asked if I could pray for her foot also letting her know that I prayed for a few people in the past and they didn't get healed, but that I was still prepared to believe God. Nothing happened that immediate moment, but I received this text message the next week from one of her teachers. "Hi Phil. Charly came to PE today. She said that the day after you prayed for her foot the pain had gone. When she went to the fracture clinic, the fracture was fixed, they have removed the plaster. She still has crutches but she said it is nearly better. One of her class mates asked if her knees could be prayed for!" (* name changed). (Website: <http://www.24-7prayer.com/blog/1056>, 24/07/09). **Thank God for touching this young lady's life. Pray that these young people will come to know the character of God as they spend time in prayer.**

Pray for your community: Crime is not 'cool'

Pupils of Hoërskool Silverton came face to face with the chilling reality of prison life when they stood side by side with criminals - some their own age - who are serving sentences for offences ranging from chocolate theft in a spaza shop to murder. The message from inmates at the Pretoria Central prison was clear: any type of crime is not "cool", no matter how small, and it is wiser to wear the uniform of excellence (school uniform) than a uniform of shame. The school is one of many in Gauteng that have toured various Correctional Service facilities as part of a crime-prevention programme. (Website: http://www.iol.co.za/index.php?set_id=1&click_id=15&art_id=vn20090728074341554C356034, 28/07/09). **Pray that this crime-prevention programme will help many young people to live pure lives. Pray that God will reveal His love to these inmates and that they will realize that He is using their lives to impact the youth and that they will realize that He is turning their ashes into beauty.**

South Africa: Strike

The strike by municipal workers is costing the country in the region of R15m a day. The longer the strike continues, the more the cost escalates. Thousands of workers took to the streets to press for better wages, harassing hawkers and emptying rubbish bins. (Website: http://www.fin24.com/articles/default/display_article.aspx?ArticleId=1518-25_2542686, 28/07/09). **Please pray that this situation will be resolved as soon as possible. Pray that the government will apply wisdom in this situation to provide better wages for the workers in a time where many people are struggling financially.**

International: Pastor Shortage

An estimated 7,000 new church leaders are needed daily for the growing Church worldwide, which means about 85% of churches led by people who have no formal training in theology or ministry. That's an estimated 3.2 million untrained or undertrained pastors in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Many earn less than \$40 monthly and have little or no resource material to help them in ministry or in their study of the Word of God for preaching and teaching. (Website: <http://www.equippastors.org/>, 28/07/09). **Please pray that those who are called to be overseers of the Body of Christ will respond to the calling of God and that they will trust Him to supply their every need. Pray that the Holy Spirit will teach those who do not have access to resources for He is our Teacher.**

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