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Amakhono Okuphila – Skills4Life

We are excited to announce that we are finally functioning under this name! We started on the 9th of March and have 29 students in our four classes – Computers; Sewing; Cooking & Baking; and Carpentry. The students are all excited and keen to learn. This is Greg & Sarah's first exposure to the S4L program and they are excitedly partaking in activities.

S4L have their own bank account details now, and should you wish to donate to it please contact me for the details. Alternatively, donations could be made to the bank account below but please clearly indicate **"SKILLS4LIFE"**. Thank you for your partnership! **George & Staff**



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Dear Partner in ministry

In Jeremiah 4:22 we read **"My people are fools; they do not know me. They are senseless children; they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil; they know not how to do good."**

Isn't this a shocking statement? Perhaps it is because it speaks about **"My people"**. The words used by God are strong, but it exposes the very tragedy of the Church, especially in Africa. So many people profess to be God's people but they do not know Jesus.

A Testimony of a Church Bishop



Ntombizoke is 80 years old. She came to Bible School this term on invitation of one of our staff. She grew up in a "Christian home" and married a Zionist (African Independent Church) Pastor. She followed him blindly and after his death the local church and their branches appointed her as Bishop. She related how she was unable to read the Bible for herself, but every Sunday she "preached". In her words - **"I was blind, called to lead the blind. I knew nothing about leadership or the Bible but I was appointed to lead my people."**

On Wednesday the 26th of February this changed. Ntombizoke accepted Christ as Saviour into her life. For the first time she understood that the only way to be saved was by accepting Jesus as her Lord. She previously believed that to be a Christian meant to be baptised (the Zionist way to become a Christian). Now she understands that it is not baptism that saves her, but the precious blood of Jesus.

How often **"My people"** are fools. How often amongst those who claim to be God's people there is no understanding, senselessly following tradition made by man or denominations without truly knowing Jesus personally. Indeed, the greatest need in Africa

is for the pure, undiluted Gospel of Jesus Christ to be taught so that revival will come to God's Church.

This salvation testimony, as well as that of at least two other students, inspires us to faithfully keep teaching God's Word, for the entrance of God's Word brings life! (Ps. 119:130)

Bible School Consultation



God has blessed the South Coast Bible School curriculum and allowed it to be used by at least 5 other ministries, as well as quite a few churches both in and outside South Africa.

20 years since its inception, all the Bible Schools that relate to the SCBS

gathered for a few days of evaluation, consultation and fellowship.

Groups represented were **Bethany School of Mission** working in Tongaat, Swaziland and Mozambique; **Zululand School of the Bible** working in Empangen and Northern KZN; as well as **Light of the World Mission** in Tylden Eastern Cape were represented. It was such an encouragement that we decided to make this a regular event in the future. Much planning was done in order to improve the curriculum and to seek some form of accreditation for the program as it is evident that God is using this curriculum to prepare servants for His Church.

We want to give thanks to God for these faithful teachers of God's Word and commend them to you for prayer.

It was with sadness that we had to say 'good-bye' to Rev. Jacob Moses, the founder of Bethany School of Missions. He passed away on the 1st of March and will leave a huge gap as he was a man of vision, had a heart for missions, and was an inspiration to many young aspirant missionaries and pastors. Our thoughts and prayers go to his family and friends.



A Good Problem

We are excited about the South Coast Bible School.

God is doing amazing work in students'

lives both in the Certificate and Diploma courses. We are so privileged to be part of it.

We however have a "good problem" in that we are unable to expand this ministry due to a lack of accommodation. This is both **residential** as well as in **lecturing facilities**. We would like to ask you to prayerfully consider sponsoring a part of this project. (See pictures of the proposed outcome.)

We desire to build at least **three Wooden Cabins with 3 rooms per Cabin**, as well as a **Lecture / Common Room with two more showers and toilets**.

The costing will be as follows:

1 Wall per room = R3000-00 (\$200)

4 Walls per room = R12 000 (\$800)

2 Windows per room = R900-00 (\$60)

1 Door per room = R1300-00 (\$90)

Roof per room = R5000-00 (\$350)

Cost per completed cabin = R75 000 (\$5000)

Cost for completed Lecture & Ablution Block – R250 000 (\$17 000)

In order to save on costs, the Cfc Team will be doing most of the construction work. (You are welcome to come and help!)

The **first phase** is to complete the **Cabins**, after which the **Lecture / Common Room and extra Ablution** will be built using brick and mortar.