

As Your Words are taught, they give light; even the simple can understand them, O God

Jesus said it; we believe it; and it is wonderful to know and see that over the years, hundreds of children and teenagers have come to Jesus. "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children." Matt.19:14. Many schools here are open to receive God's Word as it comes through the ministry of Emmanuel Press. For years there have been volunteers travelling to schools near and far, connecting and building bridges of friendship with key staff and even older students who want to grasp the truths of the Bible.

Today we have a couple who tirelessly offer their time and abilities to bring God's Eternal Word to school students wanting to learn about Jesus.

Nico & Cecilia Engelbrecht have built a key component into this ministry by establishing a working friendship with teachers who become coordinators, helping their school students become students of God's Written Word.

Every Wednesday during the school term, apart from the intensive exam weeks, Nico and Cecilia are there, bringing God's Word to many 'hungry' students. As the school year draws to a close, they gathered some of the teachers/coordinators for a happy "thank-you breakfast" in the Hazyview Wimpy. See them here, along with Tebogo who helps to make it all possible back in the office here.

Hear from Nico and Cecilia as they write:

"Our journey with the school ministries started in 2010. We took over from Pastor Tony Barker as a practical ministry at Africa School of Missions, where we were studying at the time. The past 10 years have been fruitful but challenging.

We are dependent on a coordinator at each school, that is able to persevere under challenging circumstances. Time break management, school holidays, public holidays, strikes and road closures make it difficult to have consistency and



Nico & Cecilia ready to head out to school with another set of lessons.



Some school EP Coordinators enjoying breakfast together

many times we thought of stopping this very important ministry. But despite this, we could see God's hand in this work by giving us these co-ordinators who are dedicated and faithful and have realized the worth of the Discipleship Courses in the schools.

We have received many testimonies, of stability and spiritual uplift that took place in the schools, families and even in the communities. We are privileged to be part of this amazing journey and keep on depending fully on God for His provision and support spiritually, physically and financially to take this very needed ministry to a higher level.

Please pray with us for people to come on board and be willing to be part of this important ministry. We thank God for 2019, for all the new enrolments and travelling mercies, and look forward to 2020 for His goodness and grace."

In a brief newsletter we can only give you small snapshots of so many lovely Christian coordinators, and so many wonderful students who have come to love studying God's Word. Please pray that their basic studies will blossom into dedicated discipleship for these precious children.

Even the security men at the school gates have shown interest and some have gladly received God's Word and become proud achievers on these basic courses (see below centre & right).

So as we conclude this year – a year of great change and encouraging fruitfulness – we ask you to pray for God to raise up more workers for HIS harvest fields here in Africa. True dedicated workers are too few, so pray!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PART IN WHAT

GOD IS DOING IN A NEW GENERATION HERE.

Thank you and a happy Christmas to you all.

> From Peter & the team serving Jesus at Emmanuel Press.



"Our Father Let you Kingdom Come and may Your Name be glorified as Your Word goes forth." (Isaiah 55:11)

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