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### Praises and Prayers

Thanks so much for your prayers and support that make my work here in South Africa possible.

#### Praises

- For the 370 young leaders attending IMPACT, and 363 who made decisions to save sex until marriage.
- For the 90 FlashPoint students so far who have made decisions for Christ.
- For our Foundations of Faith Discipleship class.
- For God's provision of an office in Setsing, the city center of Qwa Qwa
- For the finances needed to purchase my ticket to the US.

#### Prayers

- That our Impact and FlashPoint youth continue to grow as God's hands and feet for this nation.
- For our Foundations of Faith students as they are equipped to be disciples of Christ.
- For safe travels to Michigan on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
- For the finances needed for unexpected vehicle repairs and eye doctor/glasses (eish!) - \$2000

*Blessings, Jill*



## From my heart to yours... Jill Marshall, Missionary in South Africa



### Arise and Shine

On February 23rd, 370 youth and 34 educators joined us for our first IMPACT youth conference of the year. The theme "Arise and Shine" perfectly captures what the Lord expects from each of us. To shine His light in our schools, churches, and communities. To be godly influences. To make godly choices.

At this recent conference we focused on influence and integrity, and we spoke candidly about choosing to save sex until marriage. The information was great, but it was the real life testimonies that cut straight to their hearts.

One coach shared about the consequences of his poor choices and how Christ has transformed his life. Another spoke about saving sex for marriage, withstanding peer pressure, and relying on God to stay pure. But what about when kids have their choice stolen from them, such as through rape? We talked openly about this as well, including how Christ can replace shame, anger and fear with forgiveness, love and trust.

When the youth were invited to make covenants before God to save sex until marriage, 363 made the promise to wait.

*"I made a decision today to have sex only in marriage because the Bible says...I will follow God's guidance so that I will achieve what I want to see myself in one day." - young IMPACT leader*

### Foundations of Faith

As leaders, we know the importance of not only *being* Christ's disciples, but also being obedient to God's call to *make* disciples of others.

One of my goals this year is to begin a discipleship program taught in our local churches. We not only want to feed God's people, but also to create a hunger in them, teaching them to feed themselves through continued study and application of God's truths. We also want to raise up leaders and teachers, equipping churches to offer their own classes.

This month, we began "Foundations of Faith" at Show-Tell Bible Church. In our first session, I asked students what they wanted to learn from the class. Some are new believers and desire a spiritual foundation to build on. Others want to learn more about the Bible and develop discipline for study. And still others want to learn to teach and counsel people in need.

I'm so excited to see how the Lord exceeds their expectations as they are equipped to be passionate and effective witnesses for Christ.



### Mission Trip in August

Through March 31<sup>st</sup>, we're accepting applications for our Ignite Mission Trip August 5<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>. For more information:

<http://ignitesouthafrica.org/mission-opportunities/>

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