

## PRAISE

the Lord for:

- ★ A fruitful trip to South Australia for Carl. A number of churches have ordered the paper and many new contacts were made indicating interest in the paper
- ★ A productive trip to Darwin. The Lord opened many doors for Carl to share with pastors about the paper. Also praise the Lord for His protection and care while travelling around Darwin and Katherine
- ★ 10,000 Challenge papers being distributed by partners *Hands Against Hunger* in Haiti
- ★ The ministries and individuals around the world that continue to use the paper

COBUS BRITZ, Director, Challenge South Africa, writes ....

This following communication was precious and encouraging! It comes from Douglas Appleby, who assists with distribution of Challenge Newspaper in the Durban area. This was a refreshing and clever approach to spread the Gospel.

Teaching / Lecturing English / Communication (1st language) in a Higher Education institution where students are almost all English second language students, is really challenging. Efforts are consistently made to encourage them to read, an unpopular occupation!

In conversation with Douglas Appleby in church one Sunday, I made mention of this issue and that of spiritual matters. Douglas responded a week later by giving me a number of back dated copies of the "CHALLENGE".

In teaching a lesson on writing and reading, I handed each student a copy of the paper and asked them to scan read the paper and then comprehensively read an article that was of interest to them.

As this paper is clearly "Christian" in content, I prefaced my lesson with a clear statement of the "purpose" of the lesson so as not to contravene the rules of teaching religion.

I was amazed at the interest and involvement shown by these students in the contents of the CHALLENGE".

As the articles are short and diverse in nature there was something for all to read. I suggested too that they attempt the word games / riddles in the middle of the paper. The lesson with all three classes was one of silent activity!

At the end of the lesson I requested that they not throw the paper away but that they pass it on to someone else to read, even in the taxi on the way home. Despite my initial purpose of reading, perhaps some seed was sown.

Hopefully in the future, I could repeat this lesson with further copies of the "CHALLENGE".

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## PRAYER needed for:

- ★ The new contacts made while in South Australia. Pray they will take the paper on to reach out to their communities
- ★ Impact Africa team in South Africa (June 30 – July 20). Pray for the Lord's protection. Pray for the health of the team as last year we had a number struggling with flu symptoms
- ★ The various ministries we work with in South Africa – Multi Ministries, World Hope Prison Fellowship, Mayfair Baptist Church, Cheerful Care Givers, Gospel Outreach Centre
- ★ A financial officer in our Perth office. We seek a suitably qualified person for day-to-day book keeping. Two days per week is a minimum requirement. Please contact the office if you are interested
- ★ Open doors and opportunities to share the gospel with people for the Impact Africa team

ANDREW TREZONA, USA Director

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## Why we need to reach prison inmates with the Gospel!

The first question I always hear when talking about reaching the prisoners is why? Why should we support people who committed crimes against innocent people? They get what they deserve. Isn't it enough that we pay our taxes to support these criminals? Do you really think that you can change them? I know as these were the same things I use to say myself. Until I started working at Challenge.

One of my jobs working in the Challenge office is to send prisoner referrals to our partner in prison ministry, Crossroads Bible Institute. CBI communicates with and sends biblical material to inmates who respond to the gospel. In order to prepare these referrals, I need to read all letters that may be included, in case there is something Challenge can help with like a prisoner wanting a personal subscription to Challenge, or a inmate giving their testimony ... hoping that their personal story of struggles and demons and then repentance, redemption, and restoration will help other inmates who are searching.

I read about changed lives, of repentant hearts struggling to come to grips with what they have done to others and their families. Do we receive letters from pretenders? Oh yes, but you can see through those letters as there is no repentant heart present. Do I really think that we can change them? No! We cannot change them but we have a powerful and loving Abba Father who can.

The reason we need to reach prison inmates with the Gospel! Well, Hebrews 13:3 says it best, "Remember the prisoners as if chained with them; those who are mistreated, since you yourselves are in the body also." ■

## MY RESPONSE

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