



REPORT: ALAN & SYLVIA FOX

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Dear brethren,

The chill is in the air. The southern hemisphere has started a new season (autumn a.k.a. fall) and no matter how we as man view it, God created all things beautiful in its time! Though the trees are already losing their foliage, we are still having some good rains in our part of the country and enjoying every bit of it. The events in some North African countries have also had repercussions in our neighbouring country of Zimbabwe, with reports of people being imprisoned for just discussing the protests in Egypt and Libya. Please remember the people of Africa in your prayers.

Ignoring the minor aches and pains, Sylvia and I are doing well through God's grace and we hope and pray the same is true of you, your loved ones and the saints with whom you assemble to serve our God.

Engagements:

BRAKPAN CONGREGATION:

We resumed our study of the Minor Prophets. Our present study focuses on the book of the prophet Amos, the sheepbreeder and sycamore fruit gatherer of Tekoa. During the last two weeks we have been looking at God's warnings through the prophet's words concerning the atrocities of the heathen nations as well as those of the nations of Judah and Israel. Fire seems to hold out a special threat to man and God used the warning of destruction through burning as the special medium He used and will use in the future to repay evil unrepentant man.

I handed out quite a lot of homework in the study of this book because it contains such a lot of meat for us to chew on. The members seem to appreciate the added effort it takes to get to grips with it all.

The congregation's Gospel meeting started on Sunday morning February 27th and their theme was: "The Christian Home"

Neil Hadfield spoke Sunday morning and his lesson was titled: "Our role in the home"

John Scholtz spoke Sunday evening and his lesson was titled: "Marriage God's way"

Frans Botha spoke on Monday evening and his lesson was titled: "Challenges"

And I delivered my lesson on Tuesday evening and my lesson's title was: "Relationships"

The rest of the brethren commented positively on the content of the lessons

KWA-THEMA SPRINGS CONGREGATION:

Our studies in the book of 1st Corinthians are achieving its purpose as we are focussing on some things which needed correction in the practices of the assembly at Kwa-Thema. Some issues surrounding the Lord's Table have been addressed as well as looking again at the apostle's teaching regarding headcovering in chapter 11.

I have agreed with the men that I would only be able to meet with them every second Thursday as the cost of travel has been quite heavy (our fuel price has just been hiked again) and I am still trying to make up the \$200.00 a month I have lost.

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BRIXTON CONGREGATION:

Our study of the book of Revelation is steaming ahead at a rapid pace and the members who are attending are getting a better overall understanding of this New Testament book of prophecy. The learning curve is quite steep as there is much ground to be covered as this has always been a neglected area of study for most. All present seem to be appreciating my new format of teaching this book.

Our study of the Holy Spirit has been punctuated with a study entitled: "The Abundant Life" which one of the young men of the congregation wanted to present. We decided to alternate these two topics on a month to month basis, as this will give folks a breather from the heavier issues of the Holy Spirit study, but the new topic turned out to be no easy task either. Well, we'll just have to concentrate harder and the reward will be a better understanding of the word of God.

MIDWEEK CLASSES:

My list of engagements was as follows:

Monday	Evening	18h00 to 19h00	Cathrine Mauchi – Now that I am a Christian
Tuesday	Morning	10h00 to 12h00	Ladies class
Wednesday	Evening	19h00 to 20h00	Brixton midweek class – Revelation
Thursday	Morning	10h00 to 12h00	Kwa-Thema class – book of 1 Corinthians
Sunday	Morning	09h00 to 10h00	The Abundant Life – (presented by E. Chetty)
Sunday	Morning	10h00 to 11h00	Brixton congregation – Main service
Sunday	Evening	17h00 to 18h00	Linmeyer / Brakpan evening service

OTHER EVENTS:

Sylvia and I accompanied by our daughter and son-in-law drove to Rustenburg congregation on Sunday February 27th where I presented a class lesson on Jesus' temptation (Matthew 4) and the main lesson on Satan and how Jesus triumphed over him.

This is a congregation of approximately 20 members and they are situated about 2 hours' drive west of Johannesburg. They have asked me to preach at their gospel meeting which will run from March 24th to 27th. Sylvia and I look forward to being with them again and doing our best to encourage them in the faith. Please continue to remember us in your prayers – we thank our God for your fellowship (in prayers, in encouraging notes you send us as well as your financial support) in the preaching of the gospel of Christ in South Africa.

Greetings to the church where you live and with whom you labour in the Gospel

Your servants in Christ

Alan & Sylvia Fox