

MAY 2025

ABUNDANT LIFE

NEWSLETTER

Hello May!
But first,
April...

CHRISELDA

The month got off to a great start—after all,
it was my birthday month, and I turned 19!

We began practicing for the play we would perform at the Camp Meeting. It was quite challenging at first since the play was in Afrikaans, but with consistent practice and the support of Mnr. Torlage, I eventually got the hang of it.

Fast forward to camp—we were the first to arrive so we could set everything up on time. I was honestly amazed at how quickly we set up our camping area! It all came together so well because we worked as a team.



I truly enjoyed the camp and spending time with the kids.

It was such a joy to see their faces light up with laughter during the puppet shows and singing sessions. One of the biggest highlights for me was performing the play. I had never done anything like that before—it was both nerve-wracking and exciting!

After camp, we headed home for the holidays. It was such a blessing to be reunited with my family, especially my niece. One thing I struggled with was waking up early for personal worship. I often ended up doing it quite late and felt guilty about that, but overall, it was refreshing to rest and recharge.

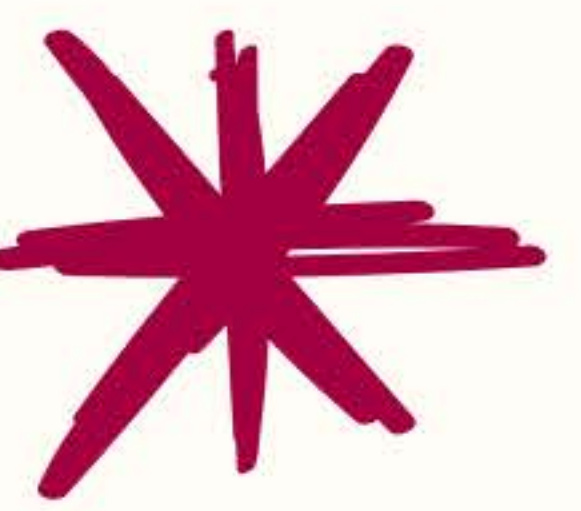
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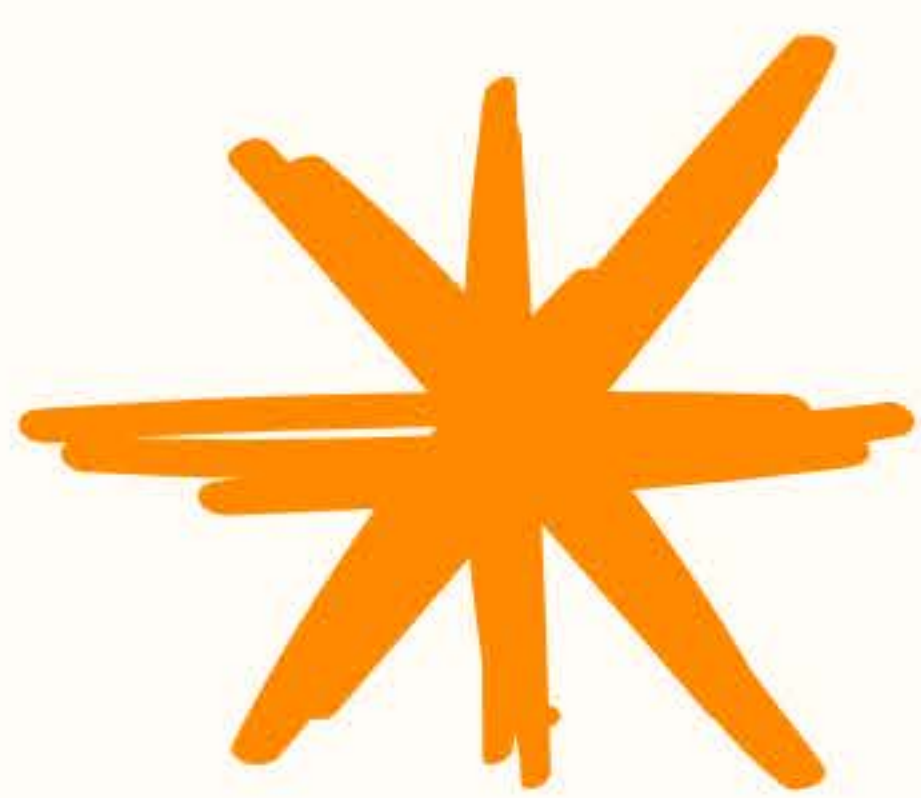
Hello everyone, here is an update on the Sedaven camp meeting and our two weeks of vacation.



At Sedaven we did 'The Baggage' play the Friday evening. It was a bit nerve-wrecking, but it had a positive impact on the people. Saturday evening, we did a few skits at the youth, which I enjoyed and I could relate to most of them. Sabbath morning we did puppet shows for the kids and they absolutely enjoyed it. It was amazing to work with the kids for the weekend, to see them learn and grow. Sunday the smaller kids were playing on the jumping castle, I did not realize how crazy they can get and how dangerous they can be around a jumping castle. But overall I enjoyed the camp meeting and I got to see some of my friends and family.



For my vacation I visited family and my best friend. My family and I went on a hike and it was peaceful to be up and about in nature, exploring the hills just outside of Parys. I also spent a lot of time horse riding and just being around my horse. In the second week I did my community service at PAWS and I enjoyed taking care of all the cats, feeding them and cleaning their cages while they wanted to be cuddled.



**THANK YOU FOR ALL
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and please keep praying for us and the outreaches that we are going to be doing in the next few weeks.

**DANICA
LIEBENBERG**



The Prodigal Son

Hti im Hennis!

During a recent church camp meeting, I had the privilege of playing the role of the Prodigal Son in one of our evening services. Stepping into the shoes of someone who had strayed and then returned home helped me better understand God's grace and mercy. What made it even more special was the opportunity I had afterward to connect with others. Through the character's journey, people opened up about their own struggles and experiences, and I was able to listen, encourage, and pray with them. It reminded me how storytelling and drama can touch hearts and help bring healing.



Shortly after camp, I went on a brief holiday, but even there, I found ways to serve. I helped install a sail on a fence at the church, and also worked on setting up lights to brighten the space for weekly church gatherings. Though it was simple work, it felt good to contribute to the community in a hands-on way. Sometimes service isn't about being in the spotlight but being willing to show up and help however you can, now that the first season of abl is done, can't wait to see what the second or possibly third season will bring

This summer has been truly unforgettable! During camp meeting, I had the joy of working with the kids and yet again doing puppets shows. Watching their faces light up made it all worthwhile. We also had a vibrant colour run – it was messy, fun and full of laughter!

One of the most powerful moments came during the Friday night “Baggage” play. It touched so many hearts including mine. Watching people connect with God through the message we carried and seeing them let go of emotional burdens was incredibly moving. I felt honored to be such a big part of something so meaningful.

After camp meeting, I went on two-week vacation with my Uncle Andre, Aunt Zara and my cousins. We hiked through some amazing trails, seeking in God’s creation and sharing conversations. One highlight was cliff jumping at a stunning waterfall, what a trilling time!

The first jump is always nerve wrecking but, in the end, I lost count on how many times I jumped. This first season of ABL has been full of joy, courage and growth. I’m so thankful for every experience and everyone who made it so special. These moments have left a lasting impact and I carry them forward with a full heart

Jeandre Kruger



Looking back at April



The month of April flew by, filled with planning and rehearsals. Despite our busy schedule, it was exciting to prepare for the play we would perform at the Sedaven Afrikaans camp meeting. When we arrived, there was a lot to be done—from setting up the camp to final rehearsals. Still, none of that could dampen our excitement about the performance.

When the day of the play arrived, I felt incredibly nervous—after all, I was playing the main character! But by God's grace, everything went smoothly, and the play was a success. This camp felt quite different from the mission convention earlier this year; there was definitely more tension and pressure to manage. Even so, I had so much fun, especially during the children's classes and the colour run we organized—it was such a joyful experience!

Overall, I really enjoyed the camp, and having my parents there to support me made it even more special.

When the holidays began, I had the opportunity to attend another camp meeting—this time in Port Shepstone, for the annual English camp. It was a highlight of my break, especially because I got to reunite with friends I hadn't seen in ages. We spent the entire weekend together, had sleepovers, and took every chance we could to walk to the beach, which was just down the road. It was the perfect time to relax and unwind.

After camp, I returned home to rest a bit before attending a birthday party later that week. We spent the day at the mall and did so many fun things that I could hardly keep up! By the end of the day, I was completely exhausted—but so happy to have spent time with my friends.

Now that the holidays are over, I feel refreshed and ready to serve the Lord with renewed energy.

Thank you for all your support!

Jered Ruiters

Ek het onlangs 'n ongelooflike en geseënde tyd gehad

waar ek op verskeie maniere kon dien en deel wees van spesiale ervarings. Een van die hoogtepunte was my betrokkenheid by Sedaven, waar ek saam met die kinders gewerk het. Dit was 'n vreugde om hulle energie en entoesiasme te sien – 'n herinnering aan hoe belangrik dit is om die volgende generasie met liefde en leiding te ondersteun.

Ek het ook tyd spandeer om saam met my groep "volleyball" te speel. Hierdie sportaktiwiteit het nie net vir pret gesorg nie, maar ook gehelp om sterk bande binne die span te bou.

Selfs tydens my vakansie het ek gevoel ek moet terugkom om te help fasiliteer by 'n leierskapskamp – en so het ek vroeg teruggekom. Ek was aangestel as fasiliteerder van die uitreikprogram, maar ek moet sê, die leiers self het uitstekende werk gedoen. Dit was wonderlik om te sien hoe elkeen hul rol met passie en entoesiasme uitgevoer het.

Ek het ook saam met 'n ander fasiliteerder toesig gehou oor dissipline. Dit was 'n verantwoordelikheid wat ons ernstig opgeneem het, met die doel om 'n positiewe en respekvolle atmosfeer te handhaaf. Uiteindelik is ek dankbaar om weer terug te wees by ABL – my geestelike tuiste. Ná alles wat gebeur het, voel dit goed om terug te wees by die mense en plek wat ek lief het.

"Ek kan dit
nie meer
hanteer nie..."

Johan Olkers

WARREN GOLDSTONE

That was my first line as I stepped into the role of Nicodemus during our Abundant Life play. I never imagined that I would enjoy standing on stage and performing a play—especially one so spiritually moving—as much as I did at the Sedaven camp meeting. Honestly, it felt incredible to take on the character, to dive deep into who he was, and to spread God's message through me to those who needed to hear it.

One of my favourite stories ever told is the starfish story. The moral is simple yet powerful: even though there were thousands of starfish washed ashore, the boy didn't give up. Instead, he focused on saving just one. That story became my motivation. I prayed and asked God to use me as a vessel—just to reach one.

As a student on my walk with Christ, I continue to grow every day, building a closer relationship with Him. From the life-changing moments at the Sedaven camp meeting to the peaceful two-week holiday break that followed, my journey has been both restorative and inspiring.

My final lines in the play will stay with me forever:

*"My lewe is verander. Ek ken die ware Lig. Ek het Hom gesien."
(My life is changed. I know the true Light. I have seen Him.)*

Speaking to the Heart

Hi, friends!

My name is Tafara Chogugudza, and I'm 22 years old. This year, I embarked on the Abundant Life (ABL) program, and with each passing month, I see more clearly why God placed me here—not just to be blessed, but to be a blessing to others. It's now been about four months, and I'm beginning to find my footing and enjoy the experience more deeply.

Our Process

A New Chapter: Team Leadership

This year, we've had the special privilege of being the first ABL team in about five years to have elected leaders—a President, Deputy, and Spiritual Leader. After three rounds of voting, a two-hour committee meeting, and one very intense interview for each of us, it was decided that I should serve as team President for 2025.

When I heard the news, my heart dropped. The weight of such a great responsibility hit me—but I believe, by God's grace, that this will be an amazing year.

Afrikaans Camp Meeting Preparations

Amper sê ek, "ons is geskep om vry te wees," because all I could think about were my lines for the Afrikaans play! This was my first time attending an Afrikaans camp meeting, and I was curious to see what it would be like. Unlike Mission Convention, we didn't have a long list of responsibilities—but we did have a major one: performing a full play in Afrikaans.

Fast forward to just a few days before camp, and somehow, I was speaking Afrikaans like I'd been doing it for years. I could understand my lines and deliver them with expression and meaning through tone and body language. It was truly incredible. Being asked to do the appeal at the end of the play was also a special privilege. It allowed me to put into practice some of the principles I learned in my Speech and Homiletics classes at Purelight Missions.

The Camp Meeting Experience

When we arrived, we realised we'd forgotten the rubber mallet—probably because we were so focused on the play! So, our tent didn't meet the usual ABL standard... and we ended up breaking it down and pitching it again the next day.

Practicing the play in the actual hall helped us get comfortable with the space. As each day passed, the anxiety grew—even though I knew my lines, I still feared that something might go wrong. But God came through. I was able to share the powerful message of the Baggage Play in a foreign language, and so clearly that people were surprised—even my pronunciation was on point!

That experience reminded me how powerful it is to speak someone's language. It breaks barriers and creates connection.

In the words of Nelson Mandela:

"If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart."

That's exactly what we need to do with the Gospel—we must speak in a way that reaches people's hearts. A theoretical understanding alone won't save us.

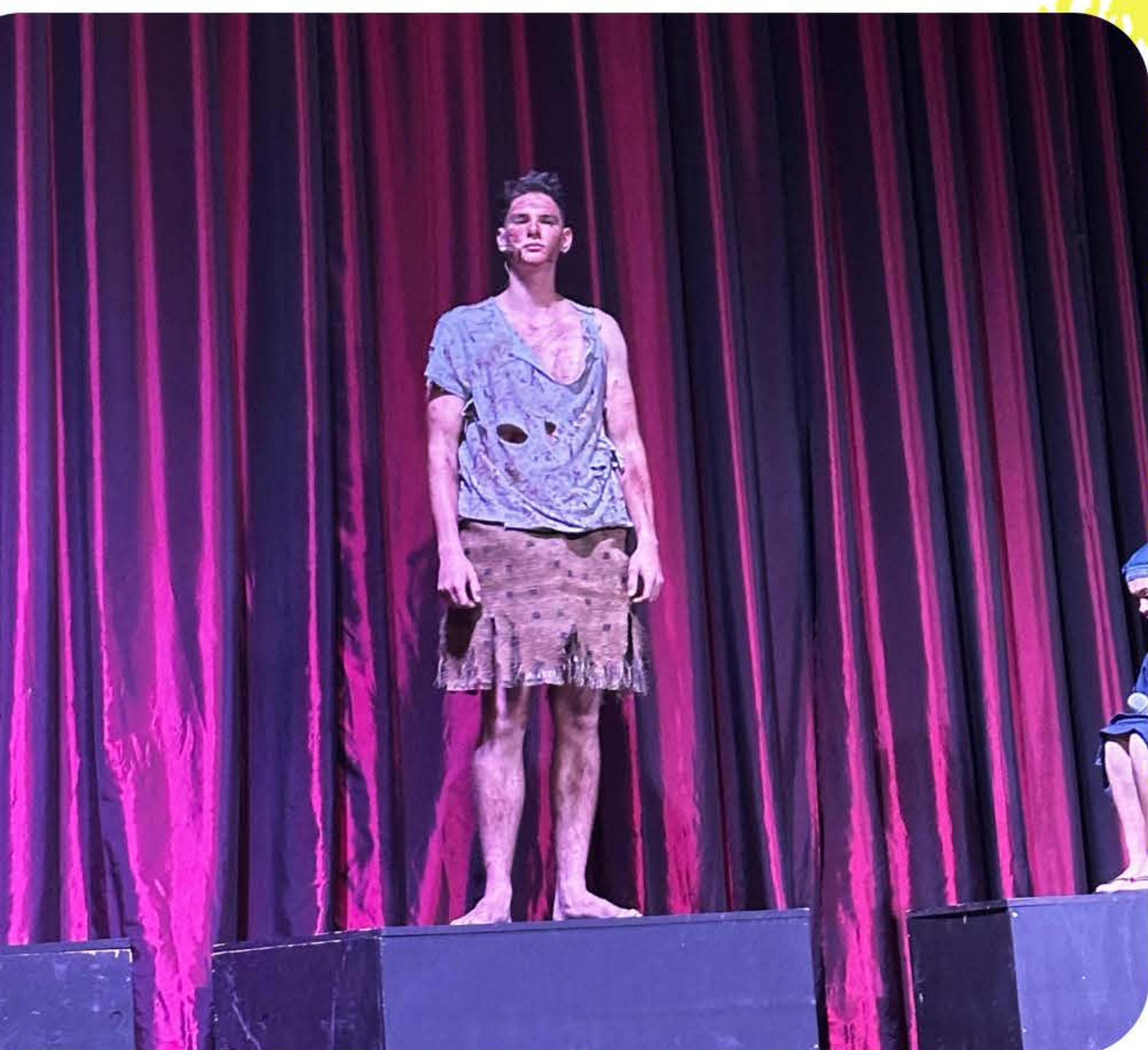
Looking Ahead

After camp, we had a two-week break—perfect timing, honestly, because I think we all needed some space! My main goal during that time was to get my learner's license, but unfortunately, complications prevented me from writing the test.

Now I'm planning to write it in Dundee before the tour season becomes too busy in May. Please keep me in prayer—for the license, and for the team as we begin touring soon.

Thank you for your continued support—your prayers, financial contributions, and encouraging words mean more than you know.

God bless you!!



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29 JUNIE - 6 JULIE 2025

A photograph of a person's legs and feet walking on a path of smooth, dark stones. The person is wearing light-colored shorts. The background is a warm, golden sunset or sunrise over a body of water, creating a soft, hazy atmosphere.

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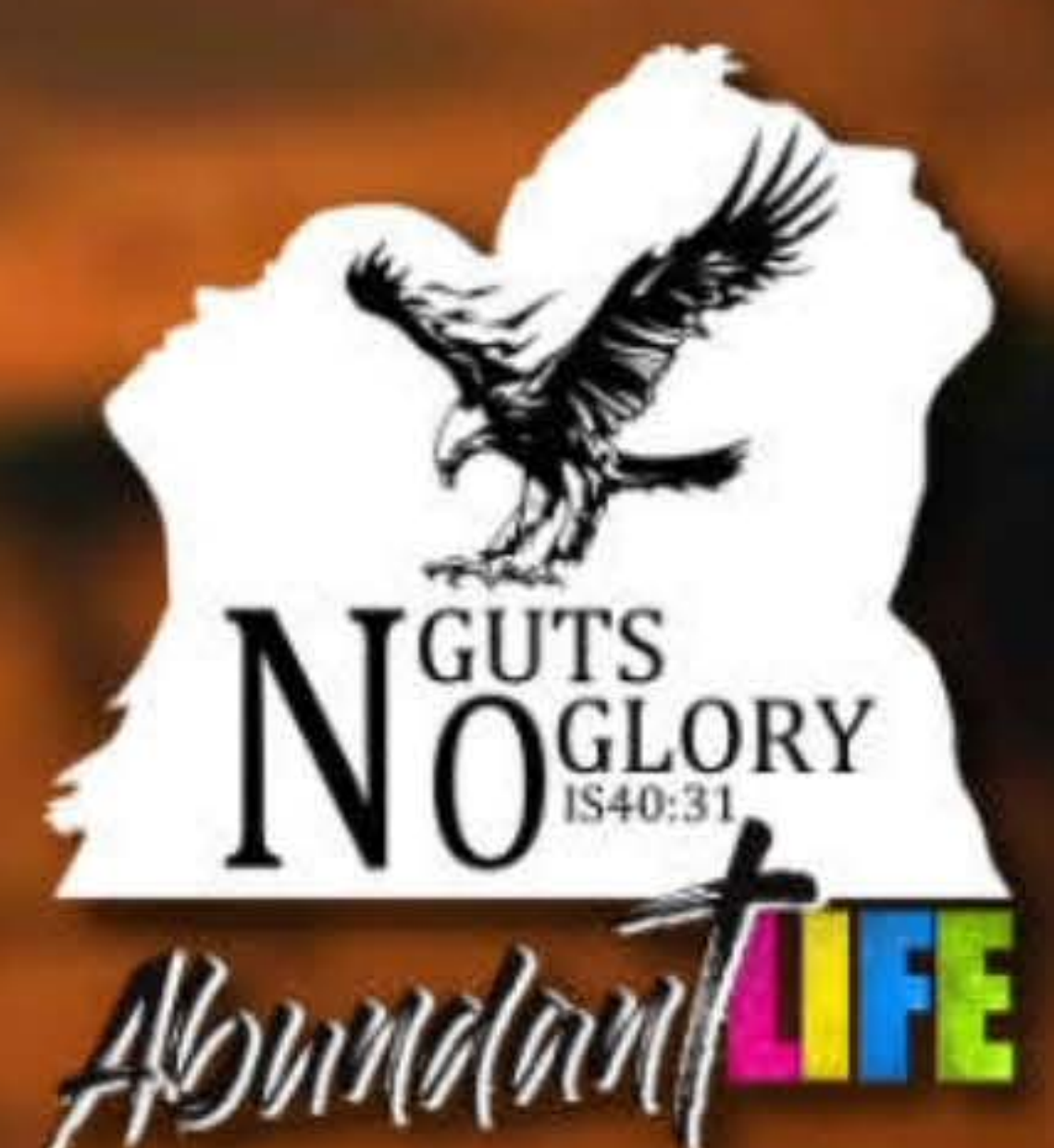
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...nuwe krag; Jesaja 40:31

...maar die wat op die HERE wag,

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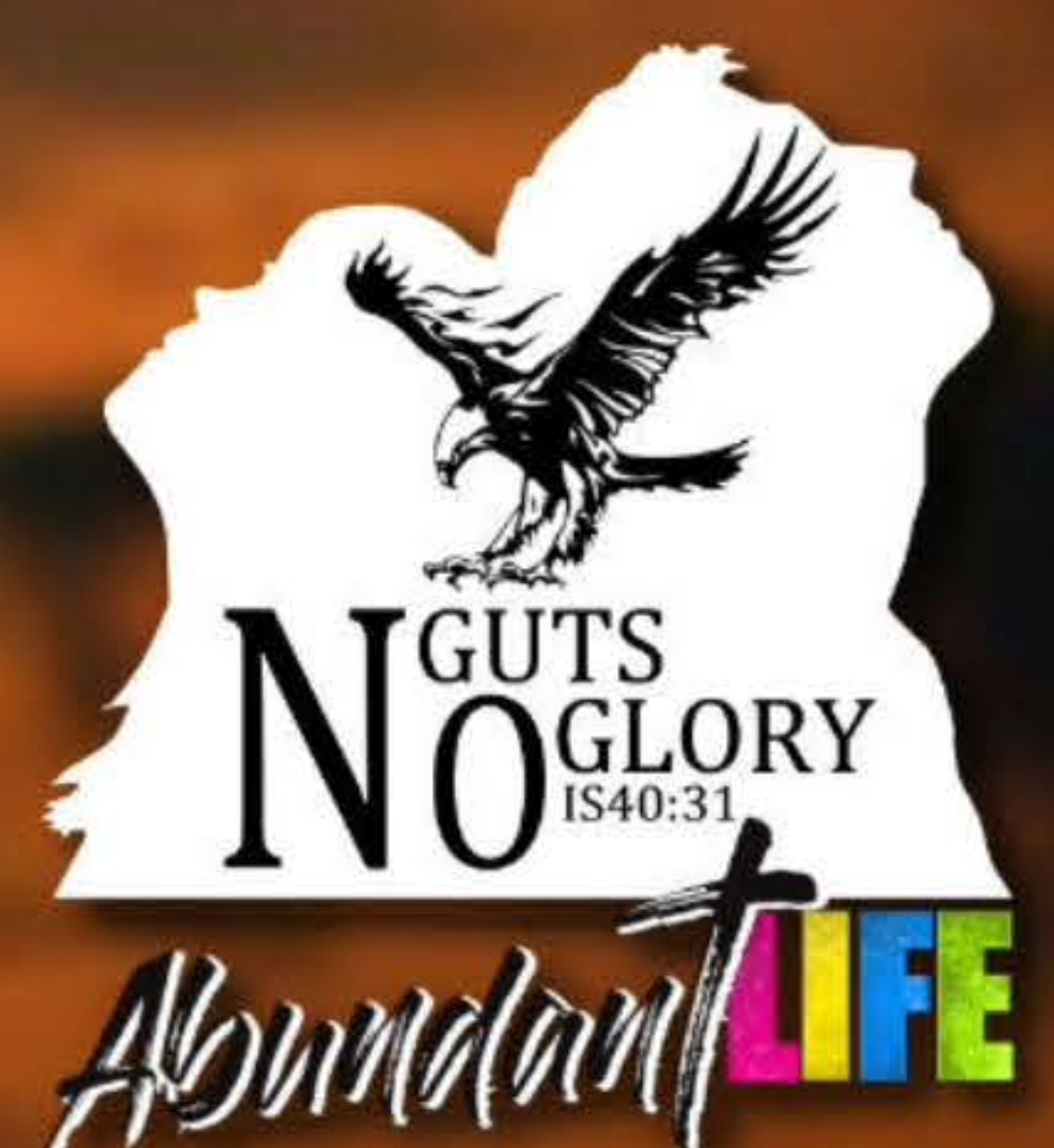
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... by their strength; Isaiah 40:31


... they that wait upon the LORD shall

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