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Hello again. August proved to be a huge month for us and also for many people associated with us.

- We formed as an **Australian Company** and Introduced our new board of directors at **our second Australian workshop** in Brisbane.
- We are working hard to activate our **international internet credit card donation facility.**
- We have produced a draft version of our **new magazine entitled "COME" featuring Katie on the cover**, for people interested in being involved in the work in Mozambique. The Lord continually reminds us to keep the work simple - 2 Corinthians 11:3.



Pastors - Intercessors Conference - Beira

I will never forget arriving on the first day of the conference in July. Joel and Keith piled out of the back of the Moz mobile which was also packed full with sound equipment. I stood back and **watched as Joel and Keith laughed hilariously** at the idea of just how unflamboyant we can be as a ministry. We were all happy with that. All our Mozambican brothers and sisters travel around in shapas and "sardine tin" packed buses and we feel that they are the important ones that we are here to serve.



"Key speakers" arrive in the back of the sound truck

The conference was held over 4 days and I shared the teaching with businessman **Keith Robinson** (Australia), intercessor **Joel Skjonsby** (Washington USA), **Pastor Anacleto** (Moz) and **Pastor Mario** (Moz). Pastor Mario spoke on getting the gold (the Lord's presence) back into the temple.

On the third day, **the Holy Spirit moved as I have never seen Him move before in Mozambique.** In one instant we were singing, the next moment people were on the floor, **some shaking, some healed** from terrible conditions - but most were worshipping Him. I have been praying for years - to see this happen-Mozambicans worshipping, not just praise, but true worship, and **here it was happening before our eyes.**

One business lady who came to the conference, was healed and so touched by the Lord that **she had to be carried out of the meeting.**

Then she collapsed in the carpark - in the dust. She was so overcome, that Arone had to **drive her home in her own car** after which he had to catch a bus back to the conference.



This business woman couldn't stand up - or drive her car home

Joel's Thoughts

"On 2 or 3 occasions during worship at the conference, I experienced a picture in my mind of Jesus riding on a young donkey down a path with people on either side waving palm branches. It was as though our worship was an invitation for Him to ride into the hearts of the people and nation of Mozambique. I remember waving my arms, swaying back and forth with the music. It was happening while we were

intensely singing the Alleluia chorus. I had a sense that something very important was happening legally in the spiritual realm. Exactly what I am unsure.

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I do know that worship in spirit and in truth really attracts God. He does delight in the praise of His people. Real worship is like putting up a lightning rod on a tall building, it naturally attracts His presence and power. In Christ, Joel ”

Mozambique Outreach **youth** are growing. Most of them are keen learners of the Word of God, the change is notable within them. They are leading people to the Lord and giving Him the glory. Vernigo is now leading the youth and training to be a teacher.



Vernigo - now at Bible College

Missionary Compound

Our long term missionary compound is coming along well. Arone had local building **contractors running** for the last month to get it ready for our arrival. It is still a bit rough, but ready.

The local contractors still use **non power tools** for all their work, including hand wind drill, saws and hammers, so naturally it is slower than what we might expect.

Electricity, tank water, phone, computer and internet are now all available.

When I was camping in a tent on a small mission in village called Macia in June, I woke up and **was confronted by a small African woman** who pointed her finger in my face and then **began to prophesy** to me. I had never seen her before in my life. She gave me two Scriptures. One of them was Ezekiel 48:35

"...And the name of the city from that time on will be: THE LORD IS THERE."

I only understood the significance of it when we reached our compound in Beira and people began to say - "Gee the presence of the Lord is here in this compound".

So we have decided to call the name of our compound - "**Jehovah Shammah**"- The Lord is there. And He is

Back to Beira

It is great to be back in Beira. The familiar **friendly** faces, the **dust**, the **smells**. The people here live a very simple life. Many people ask me how we get our money in Mozambique. Here is our technique.

In Beira there is **one bank** that accepts visa cards. I had to initially start an account in this bank to be able to use this facility.

Whenever we need money, we go to the bank and present our request for cash to the teller. Then **we wait** for half an hour or so (last year we had to wait up to **two days** for a response) - and then we collect our cash in **American dollars**.

Sometimes the bank **runs out of cash** and we have to wait days until the bank receives it's next shipment of cash.

So with U.S. dollars in hand we begin the **second part** of the process to convert it into **local currency**.

We walk around the corner to our friend - the **Indian money changer**. Straight out of the Humphrey Bogart movie Casablanca - **back room** off the main shop, **slow turning fan**, Indian man behind his desk. He presents the conversion rate to us on the small screen of his dirty calculator. We agree and then hand him the U.S.



"**Jehovah Shammah**"
Our missionary Compound and office in Beira



Greg with the Indian money changer

cash. Then he pulls out a wad of Meticaais (local currency) and begins to **whistle as he counts** out the exchange.

Then he hands it to me and I begin to double check it. I am a lot slower than he is, but he is patient. I am **his customer**.

When I agree that I have the right amount of Meticaais (usually in the **millions**, because of the exchange rate), I **fill my pockets**, which bulge, shake the Indian man by the hand, and walk out of his shop, looking left and right, trying **to look inconspicuous**. That's how we get our money in Mozambique.

School

Uniforms For Our Preschool

People have generously given us their second hand uniforms from the Christian Outreach College in Brisbane. Our little preschool **children are so excited to have their own special clothes for school**.

They lined up in a row to receive their very over sized uniforms. Our Aussie kids are huge!!!



Children from Moz Outreach

Sue from her uniform store in Australia has graciously offered **to produce uniforms for our preschool children at an excellent price** and to give us unused uniform stock. Thanks Sue

Our government approved preschool building (pictured) fell down last week, presumably in a strong wind or rain. This beautiful little **reed and bamboo building with plastic roof** has to be rebuilt.



Our government approved pre-school complex

Buildings

We are now looking to start higher grades. Of course we need buildings for that, but we have talked to **Leigh Peric** who has got a great deal

from BHP to provide, at a great price, prefabricated **steel buildings** that will be able to house multiple **school rooms**.



Curriculum

Terry King, from Emmanuel College, spent 12 years pioneering the Penrith Christian Community School in Sydney Australia.

He has provided us with the school **curriculum** for kindergarten through to year twelve that he developed over that time, along with his wife Judy's preschool curriculum. This was an answer to prayer.

He has said that we can freely use it in our Mozambique Outreach schools. As some one said -"You can not put a price on that folder. **It represents somebody's life.**" Thanks Terry and Judy.

Meeting with Mr Matos

I met with one of Mozambique's highest ranking officials, Mr Amaral Matos while I was in Maputo in June. Mr Matos is one of the founders of the ruling Frelimo party and close personal friend of President Chissano. Heidi Baker from Iris ministries introduced us to him. It was a very encouraging meeting and he **invited our help in Mozambique** in many areas.

I believe that it is the start of a very good relationship with the Mozambican government. Many of the things we discussed were **very encouraging for the future of the country**.

He has invited us to visit with him when ever we are in Maputo. Thank you Lord.

Psalm 119:46,47 *"I will speak of your statutes before kings and will not be put to shame, for I delight in your commands because I love them."*

Prison

The meetings at Central prison swelled to 200 while we were in Beira in July. One lady asked if she could testify to all the other prisoners.

"I came to the meeting and my heart was in a lot of pain. As we began to worship the

Lord, suddenly something was moving around in my body.

I saw a light shining and then I was speaking words I didn't understand. Suddenly the pain disappeared. I felt the presence of God"

Many other prisoners were also healed, filled with the Holy Spirit and many came to believe in Jesus as Saviour. The Holy Spirit was moving so powerfully. Men and women were crying out to the Lord.

Some were **shaking under His power**. The incredible accuracy of the gift of the Word of Knowledge and the healings and salvation in the prison, shows how His light shines so brightly in a dark place.

Workshop

We had a great workshop on August 18. I presented our vision and the objectives to bring it to pass. We had sessions on micro enterprise development, partnering, short term missions and the future work to be done. We welcomed Monica who is going over to Moz soon for long term **work amongst orphaned children**. We showed videos and pictures of the work in Mozambique and introduced our board of directors. Thanks to all who came.



Moz Outreach Workshop

From Jay

Arone, our man on the ground, is working around the clock in service to our Lord. His commitment to Mozambique Outreach too is highly admirable and the Lord is rewarding his integrity.

As the Holy Spirit moves on Mozambican lives they begin to change. This is evident in some of our leaders. **Manuel led a team to the market place** recently and saw 37 people give their hearts to the Lord. Glory to God!

The Lord is **picking people like grapes** off His vine from all around the world, to accomplish His will in this war torn country.

We are literally coming across people He is drawing to us with the same vision and heart for Moz. It is so exciting to be a part of His will

and being involved in the miracles as His plan unfolds.

We have an number of people, **both single and young families who are about to devote their lives into God's restoration plan** for the country through Mozambique Outreach. The **harvest is ripe and plentiful and He is drawing the labourers**.

Our hearts are very much knitted to the people of the country and to the task of accomplishing God's purpose where ever that may require us to live.

Life in Australia is very easy in comparison, but **the joy and satisfaction of being where God wants one**, is a far greater place to be regardless of physical surroundings.

If you feel a prompting of the Holy Spirit to "Go" into all the world - please, **when you are sure of the call, take on the challenge**.

The Bible tells us that the rewards await us in Heaven but the satisfaction of working for Him makes our joy complete here on earth.

Until next month, God Bless you.

Greg, Jay, Kyal, David and Katie Cumming

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