

# Land Story of Life



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First Update

**T**his letter serves as an update on the journey we are taking with LIFE Community Services.

We have literally come this far by faith and the rest of our journey will be one of faith and miracles. It's not by our own strength at all...

December last year, we called for a community meeting to discuss LIFE's future on the current premises. The turnout was phenomenal and we were encouraged. From that rose a group of people who put their weight behind meeting regularly to discuss how we could move forward.

Our greatest concern was that we had to move off of the kitchen site by the end of June, 2019

A friend of the ministry, Lukas stepped to the plate and negotiated a new time line which was August. We still had nowhere to go.

A friend, Des started looking for land.

Yvette (architect) introduced us to Lynette (Town planner) who started gathering information about open pieces of land in the area where we are now, realising that we cannot

move far away from the hub where we have been operating.

As a lead up to our Winterkinders Project with Eden, Sally led our childrens' (choir) in song and then an interview followed where I spoke about our challenges at LIFE.

This led up to Philip and I having a conversation with Koos and Barbara who are wholeheartedly behind LIFE and what we stand for: Bringing the Gospel to the people in the communities, leading

ing them to Christ and showing Jesus to those who are less privileged, "who are broken, bent, busted, bruised but bold. "

We told them about land we identified that belonged to a gentleman in the city. Koos knew him well. He set up a breakfast meeting with the gen-

tleman the same week. The next week we had an offer to purchase, from Millers Attorneys.



## **This put us at two months from moving day.**

The most amazing thing is that the ministry in all this time did not miss a day or a programme and ministry continued as usual to the children.

The Lord miraculously provided us with human resources that we could only dream of.

Out of Africa Missions came and asked if their teams could come and work with us. They started by helping us clean-up, sort out, plant out our trees and plants.... This was not planned way in advance by us but the Lord.

We needed a land surveyor and a gentleman , Gerry came forward and planted the pegs to demarcate the land. This provided us with the challenge of safety after he was robbed. A pastor at our parent's meeting came forward and said that he was working with guys who are feared in the community but are turning their l





lives around.... They assured us nothing will go missing. The “consultants” were hired.

Next we needed the land cleared. What a sad sight. As far as the bulldozer cleared there was more rubbish under the surface. Michael came and helped with a TLB, trucks, etc. at a much reduced price and some free. Thank you Lord.

**Meantime the teams came together:**

We have team leader (Onne Vegter), a QS, Joe, a CA Jacobus, two builders, Gerri and Herman, an architect Yvette, a town planner, Lynette, a Business manager, Bianca; Craig, Fencing and electrification; Project managing Deon; help and understanding Louis and the owner, Gerhard.. For all legal issues and contracts, we have Salome from Millers Attorneys.

Prayer team: Eden Church, Friends all over the world; CCOP; Shofar; CCTVN, our LIFE Team and all who want to join the prayer team.

22 July: Our blue container is transported to the new plot.

24 July 2019 we started digging the foundations. High winds prohibited us from bringing the massive trees down that were in the way then ... we did it!

One tree fell the wrong way and a shack on the border was flattened. Our men built a new shack. Their TV etc, was replaced and now they have a small house instead of a shack.

26 July 2019 - Concrete truck came in and the foundations were poured.

29, 30, 31 July and on—Building the wall started with the hope to complete it by the 6th August. 2019. The ground-area where ISIPHO and the school will go, being prepared and filled.

4th August:

The moving of the temporary buildings will be next on the list. We are starting to dismantle some of the fittings at LIFE, shelving, etc.



11th August: The Temp buildings that house ISIPHO and the School—will be moved and relocated on the new property.

Cost R165,000 plus

Income thus far: R800,000 -

We need R1,4 mil for the wall, fence, services (water, sewage, storm water drains, electricity) that needs to be connected.

We are sharing this with the hope that you will partner with us in this venture. In South Africa we are registered as an NPO and have a PBO status so your contribution (goods or money) will get you a 18A certificate. In the USA we have a 501c3 company and in the UK registered with the Charity Aid Foundation.

Thank you for following this amazing journey with us.



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**No eye has seen, nor ear has heard, an no mind  
has imagined what God has prepared for those  
who love Him."**

**1 Corinthians 2:9**