

# Lorna



## Missionary to South Africa

Reaching Orphans for Jesus Christ



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***The old saying "time flies" rings true, as it has now been three months since I completed my deputation and arrived back in South Africa!***

After the initial flurry of readjusting to life here (complete with purchasing a vehicle, opening a bank account, and remembering how to drive on the other side of the road!), my days have settled into more predictable routine of childcare and ministry. I have been reminded that abandoned children are not the only hurting people in our community, as God keeps bringing adults and teens into my life who also need the hope and healing found in a personal relationship with Him.

#### **Little Fish Ministries:**

The LFM Playground is almost complete! We have brought children from two nearby orphanages here for the afternoon to play several times, and I overheard one of them whisper, "I love it here. It's like I can breathe better here." It is amazing to watch our dream of a safe place for hurting children to heal come to fruition. God is so faithful!

Our LFM Therapy Farm is also growing. We now have two dwarf goats and two piglets. (Don't tell anyone, but I must admit-I am slowly turning into a little farm girl.) It would seem that animals are therapeutic for both children AND adults.

Our directors, Brent and Selina Bergey, are busy laying the groundwork for this much needed ministry in our community. The tasks of clearing the LFM property, building housing for staff and abandoned children, and completing extensive legal paperwork are keeping us all quite busy.

#### **Abundant Life Baptist Church:**

The Lord has been doing an amazing work at Abundant Life Baptist Church. Over the past few months, we have had multiple visitors and have been encouraged by the growth in our church family. Three people have made new professions of faith, so next month, we plan to have our first baptism in the Indian Ocean! On a personal level, I am working with two single women and am praying for their salvation.

Two highlights for ALBC these past few months have been: 1) Our monthly Family Night on the LFM property. This is an activity for the entire church (and guests!) and includes games, food, singing, and preaching. It has been a blessing watching this ministry outreach opportunity grow.

2) Our *first* Young Adults' activity. Pastor Brent challenged our Young Adults to both find contentment in the Lord and to "bloom where we are planted." The evening was full with much good fellowship and laughter.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

The rest of our Little Fish team (the Byerly family, the Womack family, and Brittney Schear) as they travel and raise their support.

"D" and "G"- two orphaned, teenage girls who attend our church.

In Christ's Love, *Lorna*



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