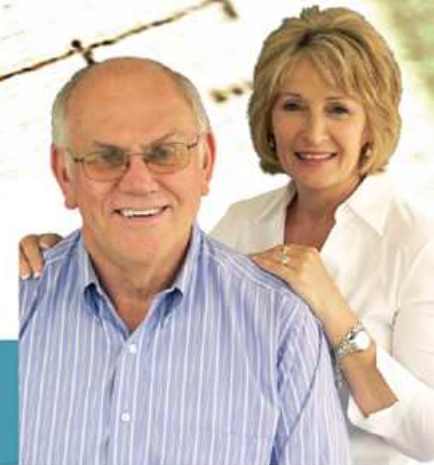




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Nov 14 & 15
Latham, NY

T HIRTY YEARS AND STILL DREAMING!

This has been a month of walking down memory lane for Marilyn and I as it has been exactly 30 years since the prayer time in Argentina when God began to speak the vision that became COTN.

It's always good to look back when it encourages you forward and confirms the place in which you find yourself.

We had recently arrived in England from Australia and the Kingdom of Heaven foundations were being strongly laid in our hearts with the understanding of God's purpose for the earth growing in us. I was part of the leadership in YWAM, England when Marilyn and I led a team to Milford Haven, Wales for a 2 week Outreach. This resulted in us staying there for 2 years and during this time I went on my first trip to Iceland. Trips to South Africa, the USA, Switzerland and back to Australia followed. These were early forming days of what we now live in.

Without planning, at least by us, our current travel schedule is allowing us to visit all these places and it is a joy to reminisce over this period. We have visited with our COTN family in Milford Haven and have enjoyed fellowship with those who stood with us in the early years. Some who came to understand their journey in the Lord at that time are now in leadership.

During this season we will have visited all the above places and taken time to say 'thanks Father' for the journey which has been a great adventure. This adventure has allowed us to see the miraculous power of God at work in all these nations, as well as many others, but that is another article.

I am actually writing this article in Iceland where I am speaking at a national Pentecostal camp. From my room I can see Vestmannaeyjar, the Island where we witnessed so much of the power of God. A friend who lives on that Island said to me last night that the memories of those days continue to keep the fire burning in him. A few thousand are in attendance and it is a joy to meet many who remind me of the presence of God we experienced in those forming years.



CHURCH OF THE NATIONS
INTERNATIONAL



T HIRTY YEARS AND STILL DREAMING! [...CONTINUED]

Looking back also allows one to determine the priorities for their future. To enter in through new doors, there are always doors to exit. That is the nature of journeying.

The dream that started those years ago continues as the Kingdom of Heaven on earth knows nothing but increase.

Thank you for being a part of our lives and our Journey and we believe with you, in this year of open gates, that we will all continue to dream, exit where necessary and enter into everything the Lord purposes for our lives. The best is yet to come.

Tony & Marilyn



C LUSTER MEETINGS

In this HC we are outlining how our Cluster looks internationally. To facilitate the growth and blessing we are enjoying we are implementing a new strategy for our Cluster leadership times.

Here in the USA we have been meeting in New Jersey twice a year and as most know we are taking this around our 3 Hubs here as well as holding something similar in South Africa, Europe and Australia. We plan for these to function on the 20 hour model that we have been using in the USA (commencing at 6pm and ending at 2pm the next day). We realize this may need to be adjusted slightly in different locations. For those who can stay on into the weekend, we plan to hold a Saturday evening event and to be involved in Sunday activities.

There are more gatherings in regional sub-clusters and also National/ Regional COTN conferences. We have listed below that which we know and will update as dates are confirmed.

We believe this will give us the opportunity to impact more of our leadership and also to be able to influence each region more effectively. We encourage you not only to attend the event in your area but plan to visit at least one other to keep the cross flow of life and relationships.

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A N OVERVIEW OF THE CLUSTER (WORK IN PROGRESS)



Our cluster is now serving in many nations. We endeavor to serve effectively with a cluster leadership team (TF), and 2 sub-cluster teams. Some areas are directly served from Resource Hubs or individual Churches that carry the prime responsibility.

Craig & Lorna Kirkby (CK) in Johannesburg, South Africa along with a team, lead a sub-cluster known as Crosswave.

Craig & Gina Rowe (CR) in Muldersdrift, South Africa are forming a team, to lead the other sub-cluster.

Next to the countries below is listed the direct team involvement and Resource Hub or Church connection.

Australia	TF	CK	Nicaragua	TF	Cinninatti
Cambodia	TF	Bykota	Scotland	TF	
England	TF		South Africa	CK	CR TF
Guyana	TF	Richmond	Switzerland	TF	
Germany	TF		Tajikistan	CR	New Creation
Honduras	TF	Bykota	USA	TF	
India	TF	CR Scotland	Wales	TF	
Japan	CK		Zambia	CR	
New Zealand	CK		Zimbabwe	CR	

If we have missed anything in the above would you please let Jason know at jason.pascale@cotn.org We want the above information to be the foundation of an accurate representation of our Kingdom life. This should not just be a list of Churches but also express our involvement in these Nations through the rest of the "seven mountains" of Kingdom influence in society. With increasing involvement in business, media, education, arts & entertainment, family, church and government, we are excited that, as a cluster, we are laying hold of the gospel of the Kingdom.

We will enlarge on all of this at our cluster meetings over the next few months so please help us complete this picture by sending Jason any information that we need to know.

P RAYER REQUEST



Dave Smethhurst a friend of many of us in COTN is again involved in a unique opportunity at the Olympic Games in Beijing as a chaplain. He left on August 2 and will be there for 4 weeks and writes the following:

"For the first five days I will be training 20 Chinese pastors (of the registered churches) on how to counsel high profile athletes in a cross cultural capacity, with the whole gambit of typical needs that are brought to us by the athletes - probably something the Chinese pastors have never done before. Then it's straight into the "chaplaincy" over the next three weeks. As well they have asked me to minister into the 20 large Chinese Churches who are registered with the Chinese Government Religious Affairs. I'd really appreciate your prayers for that. This is a whole new ball game. I'd love to see you all again and give you the great report."

Thanks for your prayers.

Tony

C LUSTER MEETINGS [...CONTINUED]

Date	Region	Location	Details
2008 September 15	South Africa	Guateng	Dinner
2008 November 14/15	USA	Latham, NY	
2008 Dec/Jan 2009	Europe	UK	Details TBA
2009 Jan/Feb	Australasia	Melbourne VIC	Details TBA
2009 March 11 - 13	SA COTN Conf.	Cape Town Area	
2009 March 27/28	USA	Carthage, MO	
2009 June	Africa	TBA	
2009 September 18/19	USA	Richmond, VA	
2009 Sep/Oct	Europe COTN Conf	UK	Details TBA



TONY & MARILYN'S SCHEDULE

USA

September 5 - 7

Sep 5	Richmond, VA	Celebration
Sep 6 - 7	Winchester, VA	Church Meetings/Input

SOUTH AFRICA

September 10 - 22

Sep 12 - 13	Port Elizabeth, SA	Footwisher 25th Celebration
Sep 14 AM	Port Elizabeth, SA	Oasis Family Church
Sep 14 PM	Muldersdrift, SA	Celebration
Sep 15 PM	Gauteng	Cluster Leaders Dinner
Sep 16 - 19	South Africa	Apostolic Council Meeting
Sep 19 - 21	Cape Town, SA	El Shaddai Cluster

USA

September 25 - October 13

Sep 25 - 26	Baltimore, MD	Apostolic Leaders Gathering
Sep 26 PM	Pennsylvania	Dove Ministries Leadership School
Sep 29	Baltimore, MD	Dove Ministries Apostolic Team
Oct 3	Richmond, VA	Celebration
Oct 10 - 13	Carthage, MO	Church Meetings/Leadership Input

AUSTRALIA

October 21 - November 3

USA

November 7 - December 12

Nov 7	Richmond, VA	Celebration
Nov 14 - 15	Latham, NY	Cluster Leaders
Nov 16	Latham, NY	Celebration
Dec 5	Richmond, VA	Celebration
Dec 10 - 12	Orlando, FL	International Coalition of Apostles



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OUR PULSE IN DEVON

Unlocking Destinies

From his early years, Ian Samuel had taken an interest in helping others in need. So it was no surprise that in 1986 he and his wife Bronwen set up a Dairy farm where they began to provide help and employ some of the unemployed locals in England's southwest, offering them a chance to get back on their feet.

Ian and Bronwen Samuel had received a prophetic vision, a blueprint of sorts, from two prophets who were unknown to them. This vision confirmed something that had been developing in their hearts over years; they would help those bound by alcohol and drug addiction, or similar problems. Following this prophetic word, Ian traveled to New York to meet with David Wilkerson, who for years had been ministering to young drug addicts and gang members on the streets of New York. While on this trip, Ian's visit to God's Mountain, a rehabilitation farm in Pennsylvania associated with Wilkerson's ministry, further confirmed the vision, as he saw in operation the picture which had been painted for him and Bronwen.

In 1991, Gilead Foundations (GF) was recognized as a legal charity, and has aided hundreds in need since. They have a four phase program that takes participants through "Liberty of Life," "Life Restructuring," "Life Foundations and Construction," and "Life Development." Currently, Gilead is home to about 50 people, half of whom are clients in one phase of the program or another.

Another exciting development at GF is ACTS (Addiction Counseling Training School), a course they have been developing over recent years. Their aim through this program is to further their reach and ability to minister through development of "competent, effective, compassionate and gracious workers and counselors, with whom all clients should feel safe and secure." In this program, trainees spend part of their time in study and lecture and part in practical application with the clients of Gilead. Currently this is a one year Diploma course, but GF is developing a second and third year curriculum.



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OUR PULSE IN DEVON

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Top Notch

Out of nearly 400 applicants, GF has recently been awarded the top prize, a grant of £90,000 from a competition established by the local government for non-profit organizations helping the homeless. These funds will be used to expand operation of the Dairy Farm which provides for some of the running costs of GF as well as providing therapeutic work experience for the clients.

Looking to the Future and Beyond

Psalm 68:6 has been one of the foundation scriptures at Gilead. "God sets the solitary in families; He brings out those who are bound into prosperity;" A key component of the GF program is extended family. To facilitate this, they have broken ground on three state-of-the-art 14 bedroom homes on the farm which will help to facilitate this extended family structure. The foundations are laid, but GF still needs to raise about £700,000 to complete the project.

At present, GF is also registered in Canada, Romania, and Nigeria, and are looking to establish and expand their influence into these nations in addition to the continued expansion of the Devon-based center.

Welcome Home!

Just as they have found the extended family structure to be a key component of the program for their clients, they have also understood the need for GF to have an extended family. For years they have maintained a close relationship with Cross Rhythms and with us, and with much excitement, we officially welcomed them into the COTN family earlier this year. Yeah!!!



Spotlight on Minster Lovell



The Lighthouse in Minster Lovell, led by Stephen and Annette Hodge, is certainly living up to its name. They have recently completed their fourth Alpha course and are seeing the fruit of their labor as lives have been impacted and some have begun to join their weekly gatherings hosted at Stephen and Annette's home. In addition to their weekly gatherings, The Lighthouse gathers for monthly celebrations and prayer meetings, and in Stephen's own words the ladies of Women of Worth "have become a regular sight drinking coffee at Hacketts whilst discussing their way through their current book.

February 2008 marked the culmination of years of building friendships and relationships with Mike and Justine Davies and with us, as we welcomed them into the COTN family. We look forward to much fruit in the months and years ahead.

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