

NEWS&VIEWS

FAITH

Hebrews 11:6-10

"He obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going." V 8.

Abram began his journey without any knowledge of his ultimate destination. He took 'one step' and he did not ask to see the distant scene. That is faith, to do the will of God here and now, quietly leaving the results to Him. Faith is not concerned with the entire chain; its focused attention is fixed upon the immediate link.

Although we associate the stories of Noah, Daniel and Gideon with Sunday school we would do well to remember the incredible faith they had without all the insights we have in the New Testament.

When God told Noah it is going to rain, it didn't mean anything to him as he had never seen rain. He then spent 120 years building an enormous boat in the desert amid jeers and ridicule. He must have questioned his actions and God many times.

Daniel and his three friends defied their reason, their senses, their fear - they had faith in God and stood firm. Faith believes and then acts.

God trimmed Gideon's army down to just 300 men to face an enormous army of Midianites and Amalekites camped 'like locusts' in the valley. By faith Gideon obeyed each instruction from God including sorting out men as to how they drank water.

STEPPING OUT — in — FAITH



Faith leaves it to the Lord, it obeys His immediate commandment and leaves to Him direction and destiny/outcome. Faith is also accompanied by serenity. "He that believeth shall not make haste" or, 'shall not get into a fuss'. He shall not get into a panic, or fetch fears from the past or project fears into the future. Faith trusts God implicitly.

When we remember our yesterdays, our experience is "You hem me in, behind and before" (Psalm 139:5), and concerning our future we know He has gone before and planned the way. "He knows the way that I take; when He has tested me, I will come forth as gold." Job 23:10.

For today we know that whatever He commands us to do we have His sure promise: "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you." Abram went on an unknown journey, our lives are also a journey; we do not know when there will be a bend in the road, crossroads ahead or a seeming cul-de-sac.

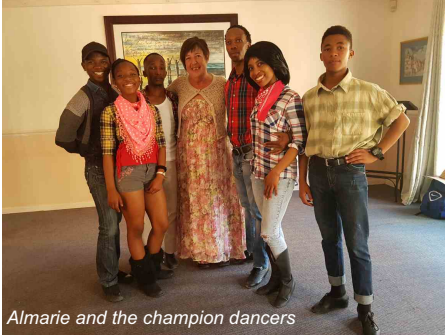
Without faith, it is impossible to please God. With faith we are safe in Him who is faithful!

Margrit Temple
The YW National President



BLOEMFONTEIN

Here at the Bloemfontein YW we ended 2017 with a braai for all the residents in October. It was a lovely event and thanks to a donation from the Pietermaritzburg YW, we were able to invite the South African Dancing Champions to entertain the girls. I think some of our girls gave the champions a "dance" for their money.



Almarie and the champion dancers

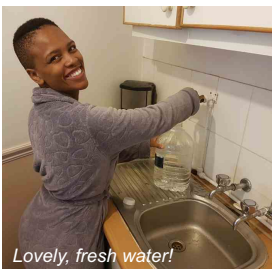


Dancing... fun!

We have a full house of 34 ladies for 2018.



We want to give a heartfelt 'Thank You' to The YW Trust for helping us to complete the borehole project and ensure that it is operating well with borehole filters and the water purifying system. We are so blessed to have access to a very good quality and pure drinking water. Each of the ladies love to fill up their water bottles on their way to classes. We now look forward to installing solar panels to heat our geysers. This will enable us to reduce our electricity bills.



Lovely, fresh water!



Due to a very bad streak of in-house theft of cell phones, laptops and other valuables, we upgraded our security with 24-hour surveillance cameras and fingerprint access at the entrance door. The girls are just loving these new security features.

We renovated room 6 which had previously been used as a store and staff room. It is now looking beautiful and the lucky lady who is now renting this room is Devonay Jansen from Upington.



Room 6

On the 14th of February we had a very lovely "Fruit Feast" celebrating the love of God and our uniqueness. It was a lovely time and the old and new residents got a chance to get to know each other better.

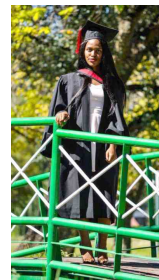


Fruit....



....feast.

Four of our ladies - Boipelo, Vhutali, Mugile and Nolitha, have now graduated. We are so very proud of them. Congratulations to them all! They are real role models to those who have just started their studies.



Boipela



Vhutali



Nolitha



Mugile

We are so blessed with Campus Outreach ministering to the girls. Christo and Celin are doing presentations on topics such as: "Time Management the Right Way", "Dating & Sex in the 21st Century", "Finding Financial Freedom" and "Sexual and Female Health" to enable the girls to live their Christian lives in a practical God-honouring way. Vanessa and Lebo from the CRC church are currently busy with a series on relationships. The girls are loving the lively and inter-active discussions.

Almarie Gouws
Manager

Fun times at the YW



BLOEMFONTEIN

Kamogelo Kgabo

"Don't worry about what people say behind your back, they are the people who are finding faults in your life instead of finding the faults in their own life."

By believing in these short powerful words I have become this young, brave woman who is always ready to fight any obstacle or challenges that may come my way - not forgetting my Saviour and Protector - my Light when in the dark, Christ Jesus, because without Him by my side I couldn't have been where I am today, so I thank Him every day. With Almighty God nothing is impossible. As a young woman I believe I have been born to be a leader, full of compassion, and who will always stand by the truth. Though sometimes the way of truth always has challenges but at the end the truth always wins. I also believe there are no limits to what you can achieve on your journey through life, except in your mind, especially when we have the Holy Spirit's guidance.

We all make mistakes and through those, learn and mature because we all are human and nobody is perfect. To all the young women out there I want to say: let's hustle and grind because the future is in our hands and also study hard and make our parents proud of us and be inspiration to other young ladies out there who don't believe in hard work. May God bless you all!



Kamogelo

unexpected. The YW has a protective feel over us as young women. It grooms us to be warriors spiritually - most importantly.

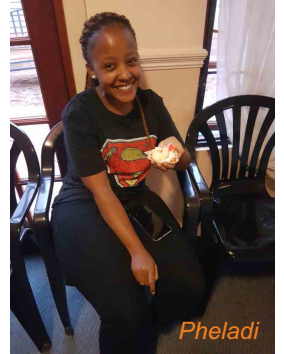
Pheladi Makgakga

DISEMPOWERING NEGATIVE THOUGHTS

Our disempowering thoughts are sometimes a kind of self-punishment for something we think we did wrong or thoughts that are wearing a super highway of negativity in our brains. The good news is we can change that, for example, when we carry negative thoughts around in our heads all day, it stops us from seeing the beauty of happiness around us, but when we become more aware of what is good and positive about us right now, this moment goes a long way to reducing negative thoughts.

I personally learned from Lisa Nichols that, the key to disempowering your negative or unwholesome thoughts is to change your pattern of thinking. It takes practice, but when you start creating wholesome thoughts, they produce more thoughts that are wholesome, and you must focus on the good, because your life is a physical manifestation of the thoughts you have.

Philippians 4:13 – "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."



Pheladi

My name is **Mpumelelo Shongwe**. I am from Newcastle in KZN. I'm currently studying electrical engineering at the Central University of Technology here in Bloemfontein.



Mpumelelo

About me: I'm just a girl who's madly in love with Christ. I got saved at the age of 10 years and it was the best decision of my life. I am both an introvert and an extrovert. I love food and I absolutely love cooking! I'm somewhat of a book worm, so I'll indulge myself in a good novel anytime! Studying electrical engineering has been really exciting. I'm also part of an organization called WEIT (Women in Engineering & IT). We are breaking those social barriers and ideologies that the engineering industry is for men only. I'm one that loves

empowering people, so I'm a huge optimist. My glass is always half full.

Testimony: 2016 - during my final exams in Matric, my sister who was just 21 years of age went to be with the Lord. My life took a drastic shift. 2017 - I was depressed and the fire within me fanned out. So how did I get through it? Jesus! My Lord and Savior never left my side. He was constantly there consoling me and loving me unconditionally. He helped me through that dark cloud. I trusted in God and fixed my eyes on Him. My faith never wavered and that's what gets me through all the trials and tribulations of this world. I'm always amazed at how I was able to help other people through my pain. Nothing gives me great joy like helping others! I took my pain and turned it into something positive.

The YW: I love the YW and what it stands for! I chose to live here because I thought it complemented me because it is aligned with my morals and ethics. I am for anything that is Christ centred and the YW is just that. Not only is it beautiful but Tannie Almarie presents opportunities for us that help us grow in our faith. Mondays and Tuesdays are a blessing! The Campus Outreach nights are really fruitful, I've learned so much from them! The YW feels just like home. I'm truly grateful for it.

Conclusion: May we never wander away from Christ. May we find our worth in Him! May we never forget that we are the daughters of the King who is not moved by the world but rather the world is moved by Him! We are fearfully and wonderfully made!

This is my story... I am **Nolitha Sityi** from Stutterheim in the Eastern Cape. I am 27 years old. I stayed at the YW in East London while I was studying at CTI Education Group East London campus, back in 2009. I worked after that for a few years until I went back to studying full time here in Bloemfontein at University of the Free State. The YW is home to me. I was overjoyed to see Tannie Almarie again - it was so



Nolitha

Hi, my name is **Zoleka Dyantjie** and I was born in Colesberg in the Northern Cape but I was raised in a beautiful town called Port Alfred in the Eastern Cape. I was fortunate enough to be raised by two God fearing individuals, who raised me up in the house of the Lord. I am very privileged to have had the opportunity to further my studies at Damelin College in Bloemfontein, where I am currently studying Journalism and Media studies, first year. God has blessed me with the opportunity to live at Christian Residences for Young Women in Bloemfontein. I truly believe that God's Plan for my life is greater than what I can imagine. Therefore I live my life according to this verse: Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Through it all God has always been there for me. Throughout life I have seen His mercy and grace towards me because before I was even born my life was planned out by the Almighty. I have seen His mercy towards me in so many ways but the one that sticks out the most was when God opened doors to allow me to travel internationally, not for school but for a six week long week holiday. A child of eight siblings I was the first to ever embark on such a trip. My dreams were set out by Him therefore I say, what God has declared no man shall destroy. I thank Him for the ideas He instills in my mind for those are plans for hope and prosperity.

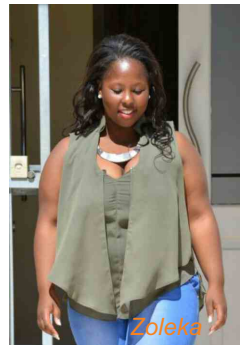
1 Timothy 4:12 "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

My Dad, being an Evangelist, taught me to love and give my life to God as a young person. To never let people look down on me because I am young. My youth soars above the clouds like an eagle to proclaim and spread the Gospel of the Almighty. God is great and should be uplifted at all times.

I saw the love of God in 2016 when I nearly lost my mother. God was there and because He alone is holy, He alone is a mighty warrior that is great in battle and He alone is Alpha and Omega my mother is alive today to tell the wonders of the Lord. Throughout all of that God is the shining Light in this dark and twisted world.

The YW in Bloemfontein is a home away from home, where I have gained more sisters, friends and a mother. I visit about everyone, but throughout my visits I leave with a new experience each time. I thank God for allowing me to come in contact with these ladies.

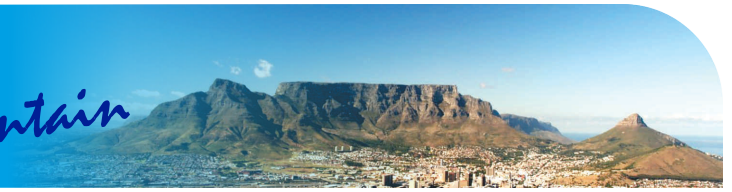
I thank God for leading me here for it is here where one of the greatest changes will occur.



Zoleka

CAPE TOWN

From the Slopes of Table Mountain



We have been very blessed since the start of this year at The YW. We have a house full of wonderful young ladies who all seem to have settled well into the routines of the house. More than half of them returned having spent last year at The YW.

Whilst we have had some coming and going of residents already, we have had constant enquiries for rooms, so as one has left another has arrived. God is in control.

We have also been blessed with lots of guests in our guest rooms and even some overflowing into open residents' rooms, as we have had 11 American ladies visiting Cape Town each week since 3 March. This has been coordinated by Juliette Bush, an ex-resident from 2 years ago.

We have had two functions so far this year.

On 14 February we had a Valentine's dinner.



The tables laid and ready for our Valentine's dinner.

We decorated the diningroom and the tables were set differently with the Valentine's theme in mind. Each young lady was given a chocolate heart and the kitchen did us proud with a Valentine's-themed meal. We had heart shaped pieces of watermelon



The desserts on Valentine's day.



The serviettes held the chocolate heart on a stick – a gift for each diner.

for dessert and little cupcakes decorated with hearts. Everyone who was at the occasion seemed to thoroughly enjoy it and there was lots of laughter and chatter.

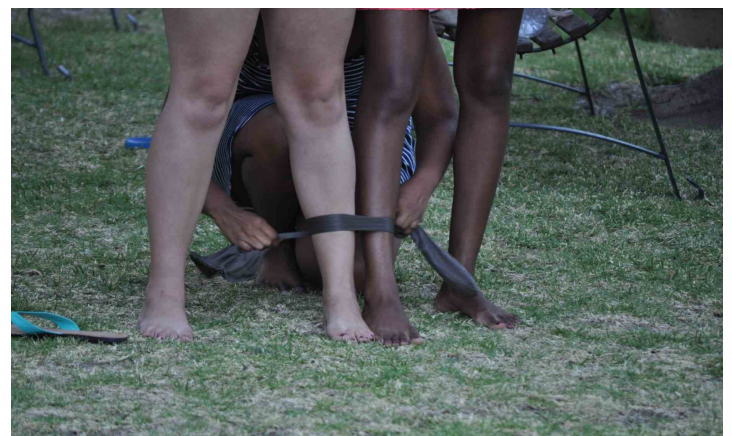
On 3 March we had our 2018 Welcome Function for all the residents on the property.



The Welcome Function braai area.

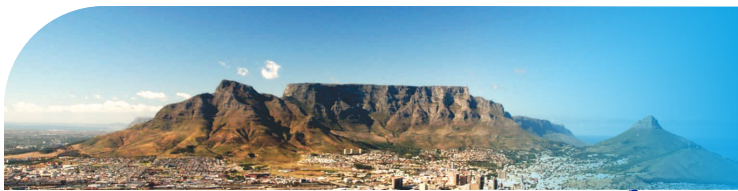
Our life coach, Steph, was able to join us, together with her family, and she had prepared some fun activities for the young ladies. These activities required them to get together in groups and interact with each other, which is what we wanted them to do. This was an occasion for the young ladies to get to know one another and so the activities were the perfect opportunity for this to happen. Most of the residents attended the entire evening.

While Steph had the ladies doing a scavenger hunt (two groups competed to find a variety of items around the property as quickly as possible), an obstacle maze (which required one of the group to talk another through the maze blindfolded), competing in a 3-legged race, playing boules and sifting through their memories during a general knowledge quiz, the meat was braaied and salads and desserts had been made to enjoy after the fun activities.



Preparing for the 3-legged race.

The girls seemed to really enjoy the chops, ribs and sausage that had been lovingly braaied by Wayne and the toasted

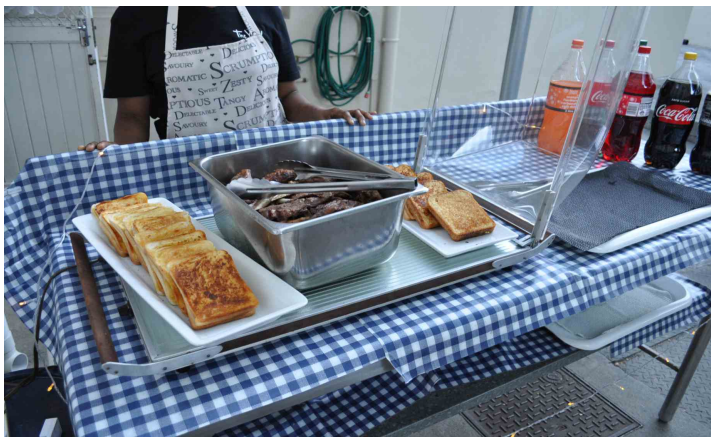


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Wayne braaiing the meat at the Welcome Function.



Meat and toasted sandwiches ready for the eating at the Welcome Function.



The young ladies helping themselves to salads and meat.

sandwiches and the salad buffet went down well (potato salad, carrot and pineapple salad, waldorf salad with cranberries, curried banana salad and a grated beetroot salad).



The desserts at the Welcome Function.

To finish off the evening on a sweet note there were two different cheesecake desserts and some watermelon.

The ladies mixed well and laughed and sang their way through the evening. The lights and decorations added some atmosphere to the braai area at the back of our property.

Steph has been discussing various issues with the ladies on a Wednesday evening, as was done last year, and we know that a lot of the ladies are appreciating her inputs.

The kitchen has been well stocked with high quality food and the staff are enjoying making a variety of dishes that haven't been done in the house before.

The ladies all seem to be working hard at their studies and/or jobs. We have some design students who have been asked to take on the task of coming up with suggestions for redecorating the house's diningroom. The final design is still to be finalized, but the painting of the area is planned for early in April as a start. Following that we will slowly work on changing the tables and seating, lighting and window dressings. We are excited to see the final result.

Due to the possibility of having severe water restrictions in the Cape, we have recently had the spring water, which runs through our property, channeled into the house to supply water to the washing machines and the downstairs toilets. This should help to reduce our municipal water usage.

Thank you to everyone reading this summary of the Cape Town activities. We ask that you please pray for the ladies in the house, the staff and the various challenges that Capetonians are facing at the moment.

God bless you all.



The staff were able to relax and enjoy the function too – Annie and Nikki.



Steph explaining the next activity to the ladies. The front steps of The YW are an ideal spot to sit.

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The Grand Old Lady behind the 'YW

2017 – THE END!!

As 2017 hurtled to an end and with the thunder clouds of exams looming, we held our end of year function. In an effort to encompass all genres, tastes and "we should've hads", we decided on the theme, "A Night at the Oscars – Hollywood, Bollywood, Nollywood".

Chelsea Nyandoro takes up the story : (Chelsea is studying a Bcom in Accounting)

"As each year comes to an end everyone looks forward to the end of year function. This is where we get to socialise and reminisce on the year gone by. And last year's year-end function was one not to be missed!

The night exceeded our expectations as it unfolded. Starting with a fun dancing class, it continued with a mouth-watering dinner of roast lamb and veggies (I know everyone enjoyed their meal because when a second serving was offered, they all went for more!).

We then had the opportunity to take photos at the photo booth, to serve as a reminder of this eventful evening.

Following on we had entertainment from different house groups. Houses Two and Three re-enacted "Thriller" by Michael Jackson and they did a phenomenal job. They even had the necessary props and make-up to bring their act to life.

The night was concluded with an awards ceremony and farewell speeches. The 2017 year-end function was a success.

Here is to another year of making memories, making new friends and gaining more knowledge".

What Chelsea fails to mention is the rain which, although inconvenient, clearly failed to dampen spirits. The evening was catered for by the brother of one of our girls and he certainly did an amazing job, the food was outstanding. The one problem with a successful year-end function is topping it the next year – we will definitely have to bring our A Game in 2018.



Chelsea



A night at "the Oscars"

Photo Booth Yay!!



FEEDING THE HOMELESS :

During 2015, **Yolanda Mabasa**, a law student, had a rather brilliant idea: instead of throwing their left-over food away at the end of the year, the girls should donate it and it could be used to make meals for the homeless. In December 2015, she, Sindiswa and Euphoric Fiphaza and Penny cooked meals for over 100 people which the girls then distributed in and around Pietermaritzburg.

All three girls left us at the end of 2016, with Yolanda vowing to repeat the exercise in December, 2017, although she would be living in Durban.

Sure enough a day was arranged, the food was defrosted and Yolanda's arrival from Durban was announced by enormous cooking pots clanking around in the back of her car (actually it was announced by the dreadful music she always has pounding in her car, but whatever!). Sindiswa arrived in a more sedate manner and, with aprons on, the cook-off began. Fortunately



Yolanda (left) & Sindiswa

back at the end of 2018 to do it all again.

Thanks again, Ladies, we think you are awesome!

the young women had chosen a cooler day than previously, when the weather had peaked at over 40 degrees.

Much later, after plenty of chatting, peeling, chopping and stirring, the food was ready to be packed into polystyrene containers (global warming!) and the girls set off to bless the homeless. Some 50 meals later, dishes done and the kitchen neat and tidy, the girls left for home, Yolanda promising to be

ZIMPETO CHILDREN'S HOME : IRIS BASE, MAPUTO.

On Sunday the 3rd December, 2017, once the semester had ended and the exams had been and gone, four young ladies and one older one set off for Mozambique, on a visit to Zimpeto Children's Home. After a bus ride of some 14 hours the ladies staggered off the bus and into the humidity of Maputo. They hopped (?) into the Iris Ministries Base transport and drove for a further hour to their destination, the Zimpeto Children's Home. Somewhat less enthusiastic than they had been at 06h00 that morning, they were briefed on the various ministries the base is involved in and what was expected of them during their stay.

Yolokazi Hoza - 2nd year Bcom Accounting, gives her account of their experience:

One of the biggest tests for me during the stay was having to adapt to being around the girls we went with 24/7. My heart was really tested, but with everything else that we were doing, I was humbled. This is one of the things I'm grateful for.

Iris Ministries is an orphanage which was founded by Heidi and Rolland Baker in Maputo, Zimpeto. They have planted other bases in Mozambique and a missionary school in Pemba.

In Zimpeto, they feed over 200 children, 3 meals a day. They also distribute boxes with food to almost 80 families whose children used live at the base. Most of the children there aren't orphans because they don't have parents, they live there because their families can't look after them at all.

We also went to see the children who live on the streets, who are fed as well as ministered to, once a week. It was very sad to see little children living in such conditions, not by choice or because of drugs, but because they simply have nowhere to go. Those children were a true blessing, we praised and worshipped with them in the rain. The weather was bad and we had to go back to the base after being with the children. I therefore didn't get a chance to go to prison ministry that day, and the other streets they go to.

At the base, they organised a cell night for the visitors. This was great and very much needed. It was uplifting! We decided to worship afterwards in the prayer room that they have. God flooded the atmosphere and began to even baptise us afresh. For me, this was a beautiful encounter because it's been a dry season.

We also went to the hospital to pray for people and share scriptures and prophetic words from the Lord. It's very difficult for people in hospitals in Mozambique, because they sometimes don't have the medication they need.

The Bocaria is a dumpsite which is massive and there are flies everywhere, but people live there and around there. Heidi built a small church there for people to worship God. We went on Friday to be with the children that live there. These places just make you realise just how blessed you have been, and just how privileged South Africans are. There is no government grant in Mozambique, you can't beg. So, the church feeds these people bread during the week, when they go and spend time with them and unfortunately not everyone gets.

There are children who look 8 years, looking after infants. They don't even have milk for the little ones, they cry until they eventually fall asleep because of hunger. We just tried and helped wherever we saw the need and could, for instance, just picking up a child from a child, so they could have a break for those few minutes we were there.

They decided to split us into 3 groups, others went to the top of the dumpsite, others stayed with the children in the church and I went to the community with others, to share the Gospel and bring hope. We went with one the guys that help in the ministry who knew Shanganana and Portuguese, to lead and translate. God was with us, and He kept on encouraging me with a scripture in Corinthians where God says He will give us the words to speak, when we go out for him. The Holy Spirit was truly with us. This was on Friday, and it was the last outreach.

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The rest of the stay, we played with the children at the base and sometimes sat with them during their meals. We went to church on Sunday there and we received capulanars (designed material), because we were due to leave on Tuesday morning. In the evening, there was a worship night in the city and the ministry organised for all of us to go, including the children. It was great for me, despite not understanding a word. I just sang in English and in the Spirit.



Mbale, Portia, Nontando,
Yolokazi & Thando)

Luckily there was an interpreter for the sermon which was about servanthood. They looked at the story of Abraham and His servant, who had to look for a wife for Isaac. This is when I truly understood what Uncle Marc means when He says, God is not in the song, but the song is in Him. Especially during worship, having to sing to Jesus for a whole 30 minutes not understanding a word.

My perspective on life was changed. I could say, I wish the tests were easier, but then I wouldn't have been transformed in my heart.

So, I wouldn't change anything about the trip, but only my attitude towards some circumstances.

This would be a great mission for the people who volunteer in Kidzone and anyone else that would like to be challenged outside their comfort zone. If anyone else decides to go, they must be open to learning the basics of the language spoken and everything that God allows to test you. In that way, you grow and get closer to Him.

2018 – THE BEGINNING :

As not many girls left at the end of 2017 it follows that we did not have too many new girls joining us in 2018 - eight in total. In order to welcome everybody, new and old, we organised a games evening followed by a 'Welcome' cake (it literally said 'Welcome' – not out loud (LOL) but in writing!) and ice cream.



Thando (left)
and Mbale (right)

The games were designed to get team members communicating and getting to know one another by making them work together to solve situations. The communication actually got quite loud at times, so I presume they were making friends!

As usual, the young ladies were a little competitive and some were tempted to cheat – some even gave in to that temptation! But it was all good fun and the dogs actually thought the evening had been put on for them, so everyone was happy.

Thank you **Thando Maseko** and **Mbale Mfeka** (both ladies are busy with their Masters in Biochemistry) for organising and orchestrating the games. A great start to the year!

A NEW GIRL HAS HER SAY.....

"Hi..... my name is **Samantha Tabete**. I am 18 years old and am doing my first year at UKZN, Pietermaritzburg Campus in Bcom Accounting.

My experience at The YW so far has been nothing but amazing and peaceful. The girls I live with have been treating me well and making me feel loved and appreciated despite the fact that I am a minor among them. Not to leave out the rest of the girls living at the Y who are very kind to each other. I have not seen or sensed any level of disrespect against one another and that has made me happy about my staying here at The YW.

My stay has also been spiritually uplifting for me. I have learned to acknowledge God in everything that I do – even in my studies. It has also helped me to learn to be more communicative with other people - my communication skills are slowly improving because of the Connect (Bible Study) we have on Monday evenings.

With all that being said, I see The YW residence as a fruitful place to live because there is growth for everyone and it is by far the most safe place suitable for students. I thank you".

AND AN OLD GIRL POPS IN... NONKULULEKO MTHEMBU our latest CA!! Whoohoo!!

We enjoyed a few hours of fun and laughter at a somewhat raucous celebratory lunch with Nonku and Thando. (Why Thando was there, no-one knows, she should have been in the lab, but whatever!). Penny and I even learnt how to "boomerang"!!



Penny and Nonku "do lunch"

Nonku recently passed her final Board exams and is now a fully-fledged Chartered Accountant, (technically, she has to complete her articles, which will be in December, but we cannot wait that long and we feel the difficult part is done!).

Nonku left us at the end of 2015 having completed her Accounting Honours Degree. She signed articles with Price Waterhouse Coopers in Durban, sailed through her Boards and voila, she is a CA. Congratulations, young lady, you have worked hard and you have earned this. You have made two sets of parents very proud!

Nonku is currently getting managerial experience with PWC and is contemplating an overseas secondment at some stage. She will also be looking into the property market. You go, girl!

Nonku is definitely not your stereo-typical CA. Full of fun and laughter and somewhat crazy, she is a joy to be around and we pray that God will bless her and guide her as she journeys through life.



Nonku & proud Dad!

THE ALPHA COURSE :

This year we decided to run the Alpha Course on Monday evenings over the period of ten weeks. Penny has a team of leaders, all Y girls, who lead their own small groups when they break up for discussion.

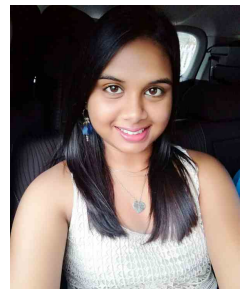
Chrysanda Powys is busy with a BSc in Microbiology and Plant Pathology, and she had this to say :

"I believe the God has a plan for everything and that He puts you in the right place in His perfect timing. I recently joined the Y and every Monday evening we have a meeting. It is always exciting and I am always left feeling blessed to be a part of something special that helps me grow in my faith in Christ.

This year we have begun a programme called "The Alpha Course". The course is a series of interesting and enlightening discussions about the Christian faith. In order to grow spiritually one must pray and continually read God's word. It also helps to get involved in a course that will benefit your biblical knowledge, Alpha teaches us the basis of Christianity. It explains biblical events and provides a solid foundation for the Christian faith. It aims to explain Christ's love for us. I am grateful to be afforded this opportunity to do this course and to be enriched by all that it has to offer. My prayer is that more hearts will turn to Jesus and that everyday more and more people will be come to experience the fullness of God's love.

I leave you with this, Ephesians 3:18-19.

"And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how high and how deep His love is. May you experience the love of Christ, although it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power which comes from God".



Chrysanda

ENACTUS UKZN PMB BY KHEWEZI SIBISI

Enactus is an international organization that brings together business leaders, students, and academic leaders working to create a brighter and sustainable future for the world through positive power of business. Specifically looking at the region of KwaZulu-Natal, Enactus is present in the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) and is based on all campuses, namely Howard, Edgewood, Westville and Pietermaritzburg. Their purpose is to economically, socially and environmentally uplift the underprivileged people of Africa whilst giving their members a cost-free and guaranteed link to business of any dimension through co-operation, prestigious education, and the diverse experience and expertise of advisors in free enterprise. EnactusUKZN's vision is to break down the walls that prevent reach between business and communities, and this vision is accompanied by the slogan 'A Mind for Business and A Heart for Communities.'

Two of our girls, Pamela Chizungwa and Khwezi Sibisi are proud and active members of EnactusUKZN PMB campus, with Khwezi being the Project Secretary for one of the EnactusUKZN projects. Pam, as we know her, is in her second year studying for a Bcom Accounting degree and Khwezi is in her third year studying towards a degree in Bcom: Finance and Marketing.



Pam (left) & Khwezi

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Now, let's put this into practice, shall we?

OVERCOMING THE 'I CAN'T' MENTALITY.

"We saw the Giants.....and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight": Numbers 13:33

Wherever you go, you take your mentality with you. After four hundred years as captives in Egypt, the Israelites developed a slave mentality. Because they were dominated for so long, they never learned to be decision makers. They functioned best when other people told them what to do. Consequently when they approached the Promised Land and their leader sent 12 spies in to check it out, 10 came back saying, 'The inhabitants of the land are giants. We are like grasshoppers compared to them.' But two spies, Joshua and Caleb, knew God was with them so they reported, 'The inhabitants of the land are like grasshoppers to us. We are well able to overcome them' (see v. 30). Joshua and Caleb developed the capacity to see things from God's vantage point. It spelled the difference between success and failure – and this one secret will

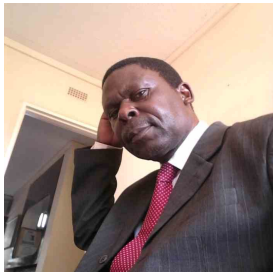
change your world. You learn to 'mount up with wings' like an eagle (Isaiah 40:31) and see every situation from a higher viewpoint: through God's eyes! You stop looking at the devil's picture of defeat and focus on God's portrait of success. This is your ticket to the Promised Land! Start speaking what you desire – not what you dread (Psalm 107:2) Speak your expectations – not your fears. This isn't mind-over-matter or pop psychology. It's standing on God's Word declaring, **'I am what God says I am...I have what God says I have...and I can do what God says I can do!'** (Philippians 4:13).

& TO END: When work pressure mounts but you just have to wash your hair...



HARARE BROMLEY HOUSE YWCA

...in pictures



Pastor W. Dutch and Mr. D. Drury call it a day-mission accomplished - who worked tirelessly bringing CRA back to its format . Both are now Trustees joined by Ms. Fadzaai Mahere

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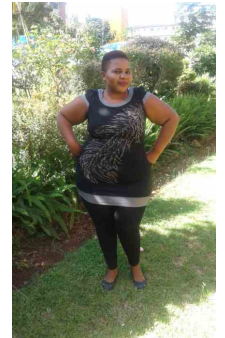
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*We praise God for all these testimonies.
Our prayer is that each resident staying in every one of our YW houses, will make a difference in their sphere of influence and that they will know the presence of the Lord in each avenue of their lives.
Isaiah 43:1 - "Fear not, for I the Lord have redeemed you; I have called you by name"*

Ephesians 2:10 - For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus