

VISION Sunday

Looking ahead to Glorify God





When did it Start?

October / November 2010

Acts 13:36

*As David was called so
You are called to serve
God's purpose in your
generation.*





How do we serve God's purpose?

Our Vision

God has called us to:

- + Build His Church (This is not a building it is His people)
- + Prepare His Church for His coming
- + Do this through the setting up of Home Church's
- + In which His people are discipled and understand that they are
 1. Planned for God's pleasure (To love Him and others)
 2. Formed for God's family (To belong to Him)
 3. Created to become like Christ (Godly)
 4. Shaped for serving God (Ministry)
 5. Made for a mission. (To tell others)

And we achieve this through



1. Worship
2. Fellowship
3. Discipleship
4. Ministry
5. Evangelism

And we are to encouraged to exhort His people to:

Pray,

Fast,

Give,

As a personal commitment to Him.

OUR JOURNEY BEGINS

January 2011



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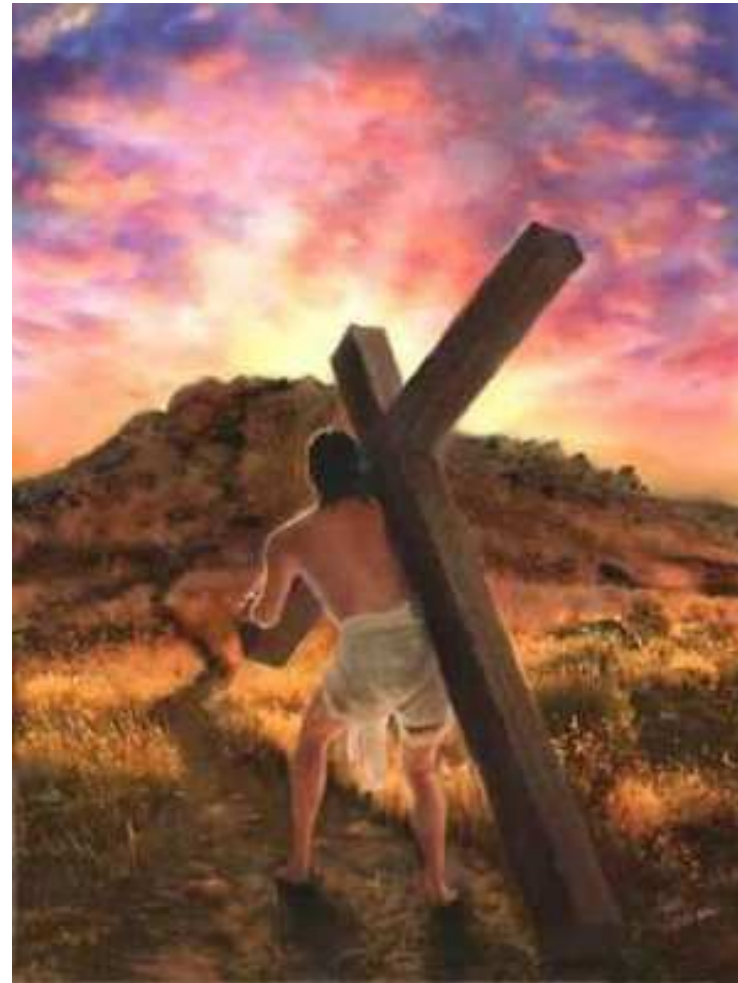
Meetings held at the Home of Des and Linda.

- Home Church – Wednesdays
- Worship Service – Sundays
- 1st 21 day Daniel Fast
- 1st Family Camp held at eMseni – Not a Fan series
- 7 Water Baptisms and 4 Child Dedications
- Exposure to Ministry from
 - Gavin Paynter
 - Ken Paynter
 - Jews for Jesus

Meetings held at Cross-Over Remedial School from Sunday 6th November 2011

Luke 9:23 (NIV1984)

*²³ Then he said to them all: “If anyone would come after me, he must **deny himself** and **take up his cross daily** and **follow me**”*

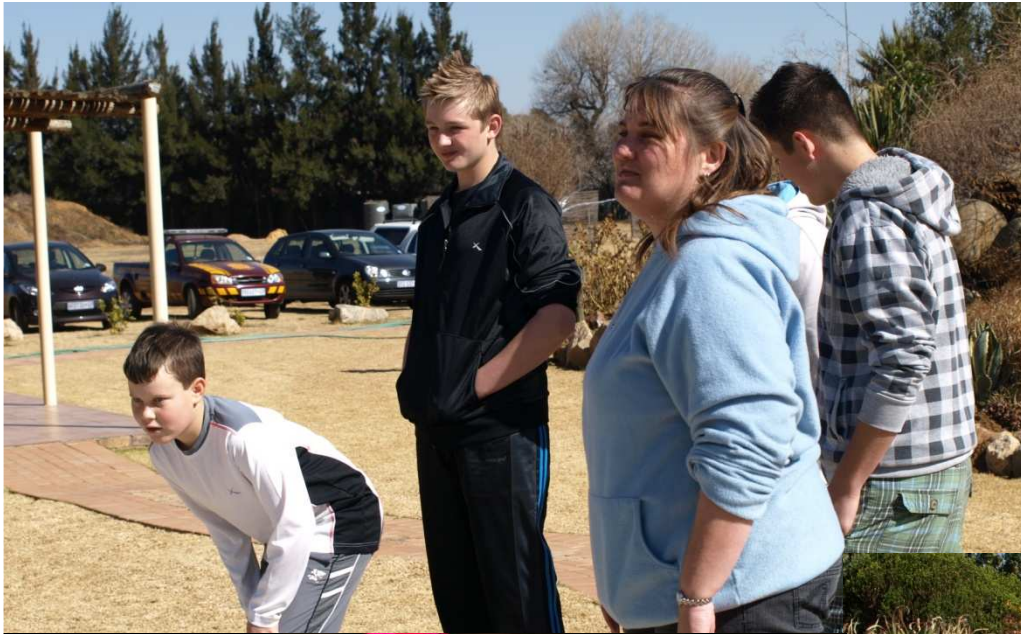




Ministry 2011

- Paul's letter to the Ephesians
- Not-a-Fan Series
- Giving, the Mark of a True Believer
- Paul's letter to the Philippians
- God The Father, God The Son and God The Holy Spirit
- The Fruit of the Holy Spirit
- The Rewards of a Committed Life
- The Gifts of the Holy Spirit – *(Into 2012 to receive the Power of the Holy Spirit)*
- Acts Chapter 2 – What Happened at Pentecost?
- Follow Me – Come and See
- The Heart of Man
- The Wise and Foolish Builders.

Family Camp 2011- eMseni





Looking Ahead?





Before we make “New Years Resolutions”

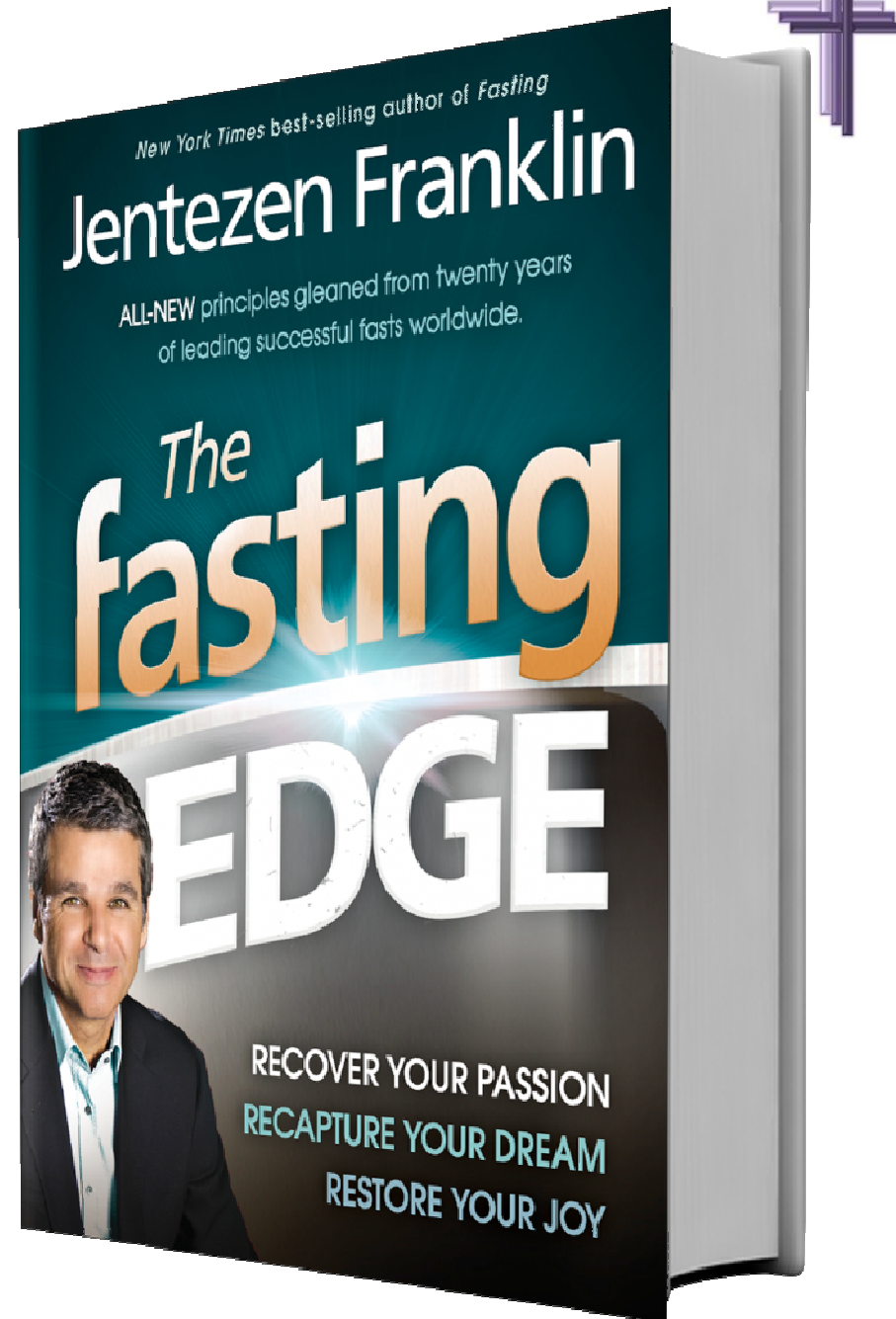


Before we even think of doing something for God we need to Fast and Pray.

*“When you get right down to it, only two things determine your destiny: **your choices** and **your response to God**”.*

Jentezen Franklin

And the only way we are going to know for certain that we are heading in the right direction is by spending quality time with God.





Fast - 2012

Duration: 21 days - 8th to 29th January 2012

Type of Fast: Daniel Fast

No meats, No sweets, No breads

What to Pray for:

- Salvation of someone close to you.
- That the Lord will deliver you from those things that are keeping you from effectively serving Him.
- That the Lord will give you direction for your life.
- That the Lord will confirm with you what He is doing at Free Chapel.
- Family Camp 2012. (Baptism in the Holy Spirit)



Looking Ahead?

Only after the Fast can we look ahead confidently!

BUT

There are some things we can already do to establish the Church.



What are the things we can do?

- Hold our 1st AGM and appoint 2 Trustees.
- Once this is done we can open our own bank account
- Appoint a Treasurer.
- Appoint a Secretary.
- Apply for Credentials for the Church and Elders
- Launch our own web site.
- Launch or own Face Book page.





Then we can start looking to move forward in establishing our own home.

But we need to hear from God as to the where and how.

I believe that we can accomplish this through our FAST.

SO!



I Don't believe that we were made to merely FLOAT along in a MEDIOCRE Christian Life.

We need to be FASTING and PRAYING that God will use us to IMPACT Alberton through effective discipling of ALL who come to fellowship with us.

Discipling means:

- Loving them
- Teaching them
- Showing them Gods way
- Encouraging them
- Building them up.
- Putting them to work in Gods service

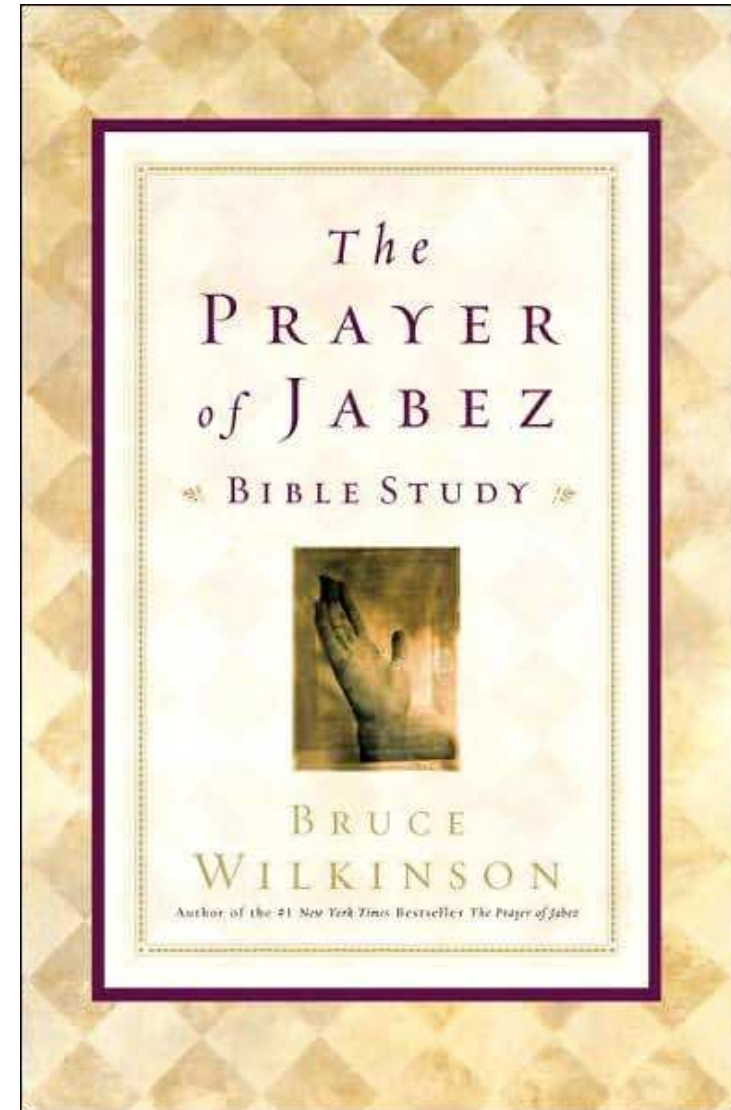


A Learning Moment.

1 Chronicles 4:9-10 (NIV1984)

⁹ Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, “I gave birth to him in pain.” ¹⁰ Jabez cried out to the God of Israel,

*“Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain.”
And God granted his request.*





And how will this effect us if we pray this prayer?

Acts 1 (NIV1984)

⁷ He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority.

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,

and to the ends of the earth.”





What can we deduce from this?

- God has a plan for us.
- We start with DENYING ourselves (FAST & PRAY – 2012)
- We must first receive His Power. (Family Camp 2012)
- Then we can impact Alberton. (Witnessing)
- Then will our territory be extended. (Growth)
- And GROWTH will bring GIVING which will be used to further impact Alberton.

SO!



We have to **PREPARE** for the FAST.

Preparation requires **MAKING A CHOICE**.

You need to make a conscious **CHOICE to FAST** for 21 Days.

Once you have decided to FAST, COMMIT to PRAY for God to show you His plan.

LOOK FORWARD TO A SPIRIT FILLED 2012!



2 Chronicles 7:14 (NIV1984)

*¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, **will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways,** then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

Amen

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