

Hi Everyone!!!

Happy new year!!! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas :D

Well It's 2010- the year South Africa has been waiting for!!!! Only 130 days ish until the FOOTBALL WORLD CUP!!!! Everyone is very excited about it here and even school holidays have been adjusted to accommodate for it!

Well I had such an awesome holiday!! Firstly I went to be a group leader on a Camp at Glenhaven in Underburg (Which is in the Drakensburg mountains). I had such a great group of girls, and a younger co-leader called Megan that I really bonded with. It was a good time of fun, but also reconnecting and having quality time God. It was fantastic to have Megan helping me, as she has just come out of a rough-ish time in her life, and it was fantastic to see her growing spiritually everyday. She became more and more passionate about God as the week went on and left camp being fired up, really to stand for Jesus as she is about to go into University.

We looked after 4 girls who had some encouraging testimonies at the end of camp. One of our girls called Amy told us that she had been half heartedly 'hopping' from church to church and not really taking Christianity seriously for a long time. After being challenged over the camp and through talking with us in the morning devotionals, she said that she now wants to get more seriously connected into a church and also go to a home group there. I then saw her with some friends from her church at a Christian Music festival I went to over New years!!!! Please pray for her that she grows in her faith and is spurred on at her church.

I also had a girl called Jenna who is a wonderful lovely girl that I have now had in my group three years running!!!! It was such a blessing for me to see her so intimately connected with God this year and so full with the Spirit. Please pray for her that God continues to teach her in his ways and pour his spirit over her.

The camp was such a great success....especially the worship band (ha ha I was playing on a African drum!) We had a day where the teenagers ran a Holiday club for a local day care centre for kids from 5-11. The teenagers did such a fantastic job running it, with games, drama's, bible verses and songs. It was most peoples favourite day, and I personally love seeing Christian teenagers having a chance to experience running an outreach programme and serving others. Hopefully it will inspire them to get involved more in outreaches in the future!!!!

After my Camp finished I went back to Port Shepstone to attend a Zulu Traditional Engagement party!!!! Yes that's right!!!! I must send out lots of cool pictures soon after getting them from Jason....well yes, a few sentences can't justify that experience so watch this space for my next update!!!

This week I have been organising registration for my University here, which has been a bit stressful as I have got some missing documents. Please pray for me that things can get organised smoothly, and specifically for me to get my GCSE certificates back

from the South African Visa office, as they have not returned them like they said they would do!!!

I am also house hunting with my friend Ruth. Lots of people have been helping us hunt for them, so I hope the right one comes up soon!! Please pray for that also!!!

Well, all my love in Christ sent out to you all,

God Bless,

Jess xxxx