



The McCrum Family

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Our Dear Friends,

John died on the cross. It's amazing the things kids pick up. Little John has been learning about Easter recently. He understands that Jesus was hurt, that He died on the cross, and that He then rose again. And so last week when falling off his little bike and skinning his knee, he sadly declared that John, too, had died on the cross.

Furlough and Opportunities. We are planning a seven month furlough for later this year. Lord willing, we will fly home in June 2008 and will return to South Africa in January 2009. We are excited about spending precious time with family, our home church, and many of our supporting churches. If you would like to schedule a meeting during this time, please email us at crumkids@gmail.com. Please also be in prayer for our housing and financial needs during this "phase" of our lives.

We are excited about this furlough for another reason... it is a perfect opportunity for our church people to take on more responsibility for the work of the ministry. Please pray for our people as several plan to step out of their comfort zones and do a little bit more while we're away. **Sthembiso, Neal, and Bernard** are all being trained to teach/preach once a month in our absence.

On the Edge. There are several people in our congregation who come faithfully to church, but have not yet made a profession of faith. We were encouraged the other day, in talking to a South African friend, by her testimony of sitting in church and listening for a whole year before she came to Christ. Sometimes we get impatient while waiting for the harvest. Please pray for these dear ones, that the Lord will do His work in their hearts (and we would really love to be here and see the joy of their salvation!). Here are some names for you to pray over: **Pinky, Boipelo, Mandisa, Vanessa, Dot, Carrie, Melissa, and Franca.**

New Contact Information. Our new web site will be up within weeks. Our information is currently the same, but once in the USA you can access new information via the site www.crumkids.com.

Thank you always for your care and concern for our family. We look forward to rehearsing what God has done in Witbank, and how He has opened the door of faith to many South Africans (Acts 14:27).

Yours very truly,
David, Julie, and John

South Africa