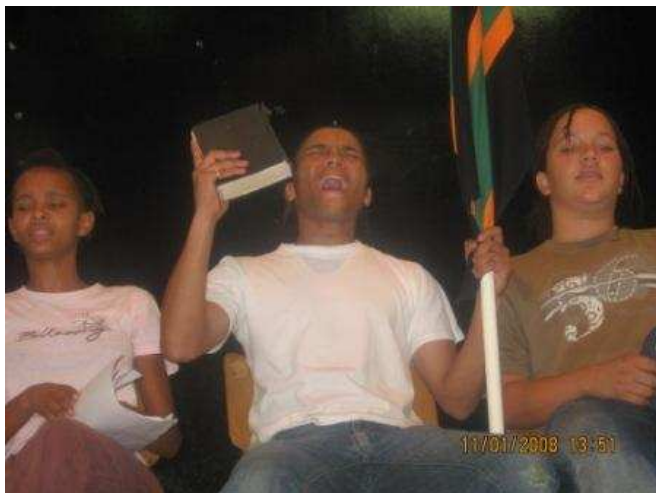


LHM-SA Weekly Highlights

7th January 2008

The year 2008 started on a very high note for LHM-SA! We received a major gift of \$6,400 (about R 43,000) from Mrs Pam Footitt in support of ETS workshops and Outreach Concerts in local congregations. May God bless her!

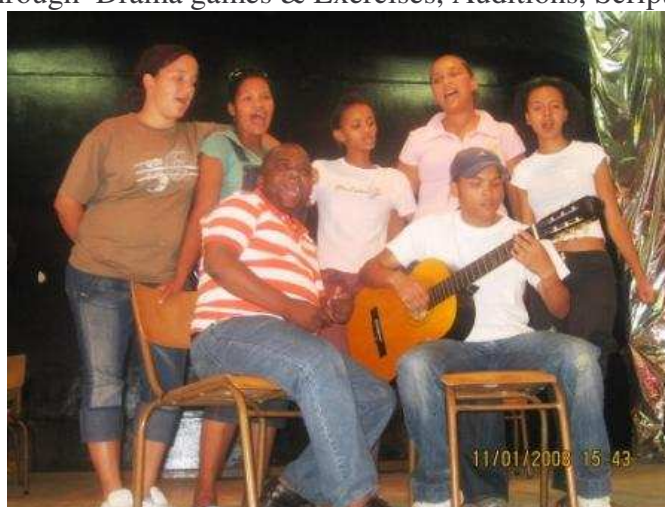
14th January 2008



There were 25 participants in the Youth Drama Training in Touwsrivier, 7th-13th January, including the chairperson & vice-chairperson of the Youth, Candace Theunissen and Roderick Andrews. Three of the participants had travelled all the way from Cape Town and there were also two from other churches in Touwsrivier. After Lucas's performance of "The Cross" the ice was broken. Over the next few days they worked through Drama games & Exercises, Auditions, Script

Reading, Voice Warm-ups, Dancing Exercises, Writing Drama Skits, choosing Characters and blocking (memorizing) the script. They held morning devotions and by Friday evening the Youth Group was ready to perform their own script that Lucas had written for them, called "The Torch".

On Saturday morning at 5 am the Drama Group went up the mountain to give thanks to the Lord and pray for all people of Touwsrivier.



Sunday at the Church the Drama Group arrived full of energy, ready to show the congregation what they had learned from the Drama workshop. They had also invited un-churched friends and family members who came to church as well. First they showed one of the Drama games, "Counting", which brings unity and concentration to the players and after that they performed three scenes from "The Torch", for which they received a standing ovation.

Lucas was called to join them on stage and for the first time he read and performed his Drama from Mark 5:1-20 in Afrikaans. Then the Youth asked him to perform "The Cross" again and that brought the congregation to its feet. During the time of ministry four people came forward to ask for prayer. Some

older people said this was the first time they've seen something like this happening in the history of Lutheran Church in Touwsrivier and they gave the Drama Group their blessing.

The Youth Drama Group is now ready to use their new skills to do "Outreach Concerts" as evangelism. They have been invited to visit Germany in June/ July 2008 and they appreciate the preparatory training. The elders of the church have invited Lucas back and Clemence, the Youth Coordinator, wants him to come in March for another "Outreach Concert".

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