



# Standing in the Gap



Steve and Rachel Good • March 2007

## Ancient Paths

The first weekend of February we took five other people with us to an Ancient Paths seminar in South Africa. Peter and Colleen Dinkelman and the Living Branches Family Church hosted us so well. Steve and I were able to co-facilitate a group, the first one since we were trained in 2004. It is amazing to watch how God speaks and works in the lives of people. It is truly transformational and that is why we are so excited about bringing the seminar to Mozambique. We hope to train facilitators here and then

have a seminar April 11-14. Please pray that many people will receive a touch from God.

Trevor & Iris (right), South Africans who worked with us in the small groups.



## Ancient Paths Testimony by Yolanda Killah

I have been a missionary in Maputo for five years. Last year God opened doors for me to visit my father back in my country (Cameroon). I was preparing myself to go there when I was informed about the seminar "Ancient Paths". In fact I was glad to see my dad again but also anxious. My last communication with him was not so good. He used to criticize me and complain. I knew he had been bitter against me because of my bad behavior. I had been rebellious in the past. I even showed him it was not important for me that he was not a good dad.



Yolanda & Genesis Killah, future facilitators

understood I needed my father's blessing and release. When I met him I ministered love to him, making him understand I had been wrong, telling him I was proud of him and grateful for his love and struggles to make me the educated person I am. Peace came back between us and the day I was leaving dad invited all those at home to tell them he was releasing me. He was not angry with me. He prayed and blessed me, blessed my husband, my children, my work, the church. It was amazing!

During the seminar I was confronted. I repented and

I give thanks to God for taking me to the seminar where I learned how to interact with my father and in return receive his blessings. I needed it so much.

## Microenterprise Training at Iris Ministries

Rachel taught the microenterprise course to 30+ people connected to Iris Ministries in January. The initial idea was to train trainers at the orphanage who could teach the young adults in the process of leaving and living on their own. It was expanded and included people from the church and community as well as two orphanages. Some of the comments from the evaluations follow on top of page 2.

## Microenterprise Training Comments

- *It's good to do everything depending on God and obeying His commands.*
- *I won't only sell to earn money, but also learn to get along with the people who pay me.*
- *I learned to have a heart to serve everyone, even those who are not family and also my enemies.*
- *I need to be sincere, honest with people, treat clients well, help others, be wise.*
- *At the end of the day it's not just selling things, first I have to make plans.*
- *If I do business without planning or without the counsel of God and special people, the business will fail.*
- *Doing business requires integrity, honesty, faithfulness and having a good plan.*
- *I was surprised by new words for business, new strategies, new ways of thinking about business.*
- *I didn't know that the Bible speaks about business. The Bible is for all of life.*
- *I will go forward, teaching many others who do not understand anything about business so that they can also help the great Mozambique grow.*



Working in small groups (left)



Group with certificates (right)

## Trip to the U.S. and Zambia

*I, Steve, just returned from a one week trip to Elkhart, Ind. and Baltimore. It started out as a business only trip, but when I learned I could go for half price if I went a day earlier, it seemed that a two-day home stint would work to celebrate my Dad's birthday and spend time with our wonderful, growing college and post-collegiate family. It was a whirlwind weekend with two family meals, lot of hugs and greetings at Zion Chapel and a mini report.*

*In Baltimore we had meetings on microfinance and microenterprise/ business development with WR staff from around the world. It was great to meet people I have been writing to for two years, but not met in person. I presented what our team has done in Southern Africa with business and*

*agriculture since we arrived. My director, Sam says it was a real breakthrough in the WR view of doing business for the purpose of strengthening/ sustaining traditional development.*

*The last day we interviewed a couple who applied for the Zambia agriculture project leadership. This project is being started in western Zambia with the leadership of WR. The goal from the beginning is to build a business/development program that will use local resources combined with appropriate new ideas or technology to create a product of increased value that can be marketed outside the region and bring in new income. The process will continue the week of March 19 when Sam and I travel to Zambia to visit the project site and conduct in-country interviews.*

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God bless you,

