

# KZN-DRAK CHRYSALIS

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Hi there all you good people of KZN DRAK CHRYSALIS. Just a little something from me as we prepare to get ready to receive our next lot of caterpillars for flights 38 and 39.

The last three months have been hectic for me, many break downs and bursting underground irrigation pipes, the dry weather we have been having lately has not helped much on the farm. So it has been quite a challenging time.

I must say, I was not ready to focused on Chrysalis a few days before our training weekend at Dawn View. Those of you that have led a flight or walk before know how the devil always has to put a spanner in the works, but God had other ideas. The Thursday night before our training ,while I was reading through the talk I am doing on the flight, Priesthood of all Believers, something just switched over. I felt relaxed and calm, and by the way, all burst pipes were replaced, the irrigation was working, all break downs where sorted, but it is still dry.

I realised God was in control, I felt the ex-

citement I always have before training, be it for Emmaus or Chrysalis, I was tired but ready.

Then when I got to Dawn View and seeing all the happy and noisy team members( ESPECIALLY THE GIRLS FLIGHT TEAM MEMBERS—noisy bunch), I got into the groove. The praise and worship and the prayers that Friday night were just what I needed.

We had an awesome time. It is amazing how God puts the right people together, the talks that where previewed were great and I believe that the caterpillars will be blessed with some of the testimonies that they will hear.

The highlight of the weekend was the music concert at Wesley Methodist Church. It was organised by Marius for fundraising for Chrysalis to get a music system, and they managed to get in enough money.

I feel very blessed and privileged to be serving with this team on the boys flight 38. Thank you all for your time, effort and your prayers.

I would like to leave you with this scripture reading. *Philippians 4: 13 - I can do everything through him who gives me strength.* So let us now go and lead these young men, and know that God will make it a great flight. Fly with Christ.

Vic Rencken Lay Director Flight #38

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## A WORD FROM THE LAY DIRECTORS, VIC AND LARA

It is with great excitement and enthusiasm that we approach the final preparations of our Chrysalis girl's flight. When I have served before on these flights, you just see the end products and put little thought into how everything arrives and just happens. Now I've been involved in the process of organizing and fully appreciate the amount of time and organization that goes into the running of these flights.

I am reminded of Paul's letter in Corinthians, about how we all have special parts to play in the functioning of the whole body. That is exactly what a Chrysalis flight is all about, how we all work together to make up one body. One thing that I really enjoy about serving is the new and old friendships that I have built through

Chrysalis. Our training weekend saw many new and "old" friends coming together as one, to serve our Lord. The laughter and fun that we all experienced, always reminds me that we serve a joyous God. Yes, we are working and serving, but in doing this we're forming a real sisterhood which I just love to be a part of!

My fervent prayer is that our Caterpillars that are flying this year, will have that joyous experience, as they also form new friends and feel a part of a very special community!

Fly with Christ

Lara Wells Lay Director Flight #39

## WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR THE FLIGHTS!

- Sign up on the prayer roster
- Attend Candlelight on Saturday night—5:07:14!
- Come to closing
- ATTEND THE GATHERING ON THE 2ND OF AUGUST!!!!



# Patriarch's Ponderings—Greg Conolly

Greetings everybody,

It's amazing to think that half the year is already gone. Flights #38 and #39 are right on top of us. The post flight gathering is just around the corner and before we know it Christmas will be here again.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the board members and members of the community for all that they have done to build this ministry that we are all involved with.

We had our training weekend in May and what an awesome time we had down at Dawn View. What a splendid area to be able to get away to. One could just leave everything behind and relax in God's wonderful creation. Saturday night's concert was totally awesome and a huge thank you to Marius and his band, Walk by Faith, for organising this event. Funds were raised for music equipment for Chrysalis. Thank you thank you thank you guys.

I, for one, am really looking forward to the flights and know that the team and the caterpillars are

going to have an awesome spirit filled weekend.

I look forward to seeing everyone down at The Wykeham Collegiate in PMB and welcoming our new Butterflies into this community.

Take care everyone, may God continue to bless you and keep you.

Greg Conolly  
CLD Chrysalis Kzn Drak



## Team Formation

While there are many words that spring to mind to describe this year's joint team formation weekend which happened in the middle of May, I think the most appropriate are these three, A GREAT SUCCESS! Obviously everyone who participated will have left with different thoughts, but to me one of the most outstanding aspects was the balance that was struck

between profoundly powerful and serious times and good old fun times of team formation and nonsense. We had special times of praise and worship and then Lara and Vic led us through a busy but really brilliant weekend of team formation, previewing most of the talks and completing the training of the various team members.



I was obviously in the Girls conference room so I can only speak of the girl's talks but I was absolutely blown away by our talks this year. I don't know why it always amazes me - we keep saying how good God is - but He just REALLY is! The thread and link that runs through all the girls talks is absolutely amazing! God is just amazing! I was chatting to Mich and Al, the girl's marriage speakers, and we were telling AL how great the talks had been and how blessed the girls on the flight were going to be and he wisely chuckled and said either that or they're going to be quite a hectic group that need these seriously rattling talks, which is a sobering thought, but maybe something to think about. One thing is for sure though, with the talks and teams that God has so obviously crafted and moulded, the right people are in

Support team



the right places to handle whatever may come. And chatting to the lads I think the boy's team is exactly the same.

All was not seriousness though - the boys had some good games of volleyball (with a Disney princess' ball nogal!), which hopefully uncle

Mike's voice will have recovered from by the flight weekend. The girls on the other hand spent their time studiously reading our manuals in "silent medication"!

A few shoes went missing, and various suitcases locked, squiggies attacked unsuspecting coffee drinkers and some turkey kept ringing the bell throughout the night! I think the gents' might have chosen "snoring" as their descriptive word of choice, but



hey, it's all good stuff that goes into team formation. A highlight for me was not having an unplanned swim this year which is a definite improvement on last year! Although it was a near thing at times. This I object to, as Paulette and I no longer hold the position of the only mischief makers on team!!! There are some promising new mischief makers rising through the ranks. Upper room would be impressed, we even use the one third experience, one third medium and one third new in our trouble causing ranks!

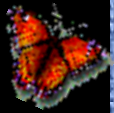
Sadly though, every weekend comes to its end and on Sunday afternoon as we all lined up to hug and say goodbye to everyone it was a bittersweet experience. Yes, it was goodbye, but it was only until the flight! And it was after a great time together, with memories made and experiences to look forward to! So bring it on Chrysalis 2014! The teams are trained and ready!!!







# WALK BY Faith Ministry IN CONCERT



An absolute highlight for the training weekend was the concert that Marius organized to raise funds to buy a new sound system for Chrysalis. It turned out that the only night that suited the band was the Saturday of the training weekend. We worried that it might be a downside, but it actually worked out so well! It was at Wesley Church in PMB and Darren's tuck shop raised a few extra bucks for us too! But the tuck shop was FAR from the main event! First the band from St Winifred's church played a selection of well known worship songs which were absolutely bril-

liant. Such talented folk. The stage was lit up with strobe lights that threw the silhouette of the guitar players onto the beautiful old sleeper cross mounted on the wall and with the music reverberating through your soul it was an awesome experience! These guys were such a blessing to us. They came all the way up just to play their songs and then rush off to be in time for another gig in Durbs- all just to bless us! So a very special thanks to them! And then mister Marius donned his performing hat and Walk by Faith took the stage! They performed a wonderful mix of well known songs and then a few that Marius has "been given" - as he puts it. What beautiful music it really is!

As we were driving back to Dawn View the peanut gallery in the back of our bakkie was discussing the concert and came to the conclusion that it was every bit as good as any concert we have ever been to and that we need to organize a bigger one and get the message out there! It really was a great evening and the best news is that, with the money raised that night and the fund raising efforts of Marius's cell group, they raised enough money to buy a state of the art sound system for us. God is so good! HUGE thanks to everyone for their, willingness and faithfulness in blessing the ministry so much!



## A word from the Registrar—Tracy Rowland

Chrysalis – a place to change, grow and be renewed !

I am very excited about the upcoming flights, God is going to pour out His blessings on each caterpillar moulding them into beautiful butterflies !

treasures whom God loves so much !

Billy Graham, whom I admire, once said "Without Ruth's partnership and encouragement over the years, my own work would have been impossible. We were called by God as a team."

Not only are we a team in marriage but we are called to be in relationship with God and with one another. Please remember to hold all those involved in flights #38 and #39 in prayer ! May each of you be blessed beyond measure. Much love, Tracy

But this can only happen if we all work together, as a team, putting our faith into action and sponsoring those precious

## Fire, Fire Burning Bright —Chris Kenchenten

Every year at around this time of the season we enter the fire season. Be they fire breaks, run away fires or burning cane for harvest. But all over the place rising smoke, rolling flames and water carts become common sights.

This got me thinking, we can take those examples of fires and relate them to our lives as Christians.

### 1. The Fire Break.

Burning borders around grazing, crops, and fields to prevent fires from the outside from pushing through and getting to whatever we are protecting.

Now let's relate. We carry the Holy Spirit in us, He is our fire break protecting us from the outside fires, sin being this fire of course, trying to push through into our protected area.

### 2.Run Away Fires.

Run away fires get pushed by wind and can be fast and

unexpected. Wind may sometimes even cause these fires to jump over the fire breaks that were burned to prevent these occurrences.

We build our spiritual barrier, our fire break, to try and prevent sin and spiritual attack from entering our fields. But sadly sometimes it gets over our fire breaks and enters our fields.

### 3.The Water Carts.

Water carts are seen dousing these fires that jump up every now and again. Stopping it in its track and ending the attack.

Our water cart represents forgiveness from God. Puts an end to the burning of the sin we had let in and cools us down a bit.

Even though sin, just as fire, causes some unwanted burns to our fields. We continue growing in Him, our life in Him, exactly like the fields do. They might burn now and again, but add some water and they start coming out again, continuing their growth and bringing life to our fields again.





Back by popular demand, the 2014 **CHRYSALIS** post-flight

# GATHERING/ BARN DANCE!

Join us on the weekend of the 2-3<sup>rd</sup> August for our annual sleepover weekend at the African Bird of Prey Sanctuary. Details will follow but some grand ol' ideas are being thrown around for your entertainment. Some things are a given though, namely, good food, music, mischief, laughs, and some grand ol' fellowship.

Please mark the date in your diary, we really look forward to seeing you there and then!

## Blind Faith - Di Kyle

The other morning dawned a glorious, sparkly winter morning and looking out the window the lake appeared to be dead flat calm. The sea was calling loudly so we loaded up the dogs and flasks and off we went. What a beautiful morning – not another soul on the beach and not even footprints to mar the sand.

I wandered around on the rocks looking in the rock pools, followed by my faithful entourage of dogs and realised that our ancient, blind and stone deaf old poodle had followed me out. She had somehow negotiated a deep, channel about one and a half metres wide, without me seeing her do it. On my return I watched carefully as she wandered up to the edge and sniffed around. I thought she'd take a dive and an involuntary swim but to my amazement she simply stared blindly in my direction and launched off the

one rock ledge, landing in a bit of a heap on the other. It was a matter of blind faith. It struck me that we should be more like her – just knowing that if we simply launch ourselves off towards Jesus He is there to catch us – He'll be our rock on which to land.

Chrysalis is such a wonderful ministry and at this time of the year I always start to get a bit panic stricken about numbers of caterpillars for the flights. It seems to be such a waste when you see so many young people who would benefit by it and yet we still have empty places on the flights. Having watched Scrap, and knowing that I have done pretty much as much as I can, my feeling is that I should have faith and prayerfully hand it over to God to do the rest. I am praying for God to fill the flights but know that the young people He wants to experience the weekend will be registered in due course.

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To say I'm excited for the next little while is about the under statement of the century. After the training weekend we enjoyed, I know beyond a shadow of a doubt, that these flights are going to be absolutely amazing! And they are so soon. And finally they're filling up. And things are happening! The girls went through our 3-day schedules and that really made it all feel so real. Then we had a board meeting and that just added to the excitement! And then we started talking about our gathering/barn dance - goodness me! Now it must just hurry up and come! Its going to be an incredible line up of Chrysalis events chaps, please join us wherever possible, you won't regret it! Love, Kirst