

SIM NEWS

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Dear friends

This year surely started off on a trot! Already at the first SIM staff meeting it became clear that 2011 would be hectic: churches from all over the island were interested in courses. The 400+ students we had in 2010 now seemed like just a foreshadowing of what was to come. We are glad that SIM can be part of what God is doing in Mauritius and hope that this year will again be a blessing to each one who will partner with us.

SIM can teach ANY course your church needs! Contact us for more information.

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If you want to reserve a book set, please call us on 2929050 or 9316245, or e-mail us at : pbs@sim-maurice.com A deposit of Rs1500 will assure you of a set.

Please inform your friends of this wonderful opportunity. More information on our website:
www.sim-maurice.com

Pastor Book Set Project

Many of you will already be aware of the planned Pastor Book Set Project. In 2001 we had 200 sets available, where this year we will have 700 sets. Even that will not be enough to satisfy the demand, so we have to stick to the rule of: *first come, first served*.

Please note that the Pastor Book Sets (PBS) will only be available at one of the PBS conferences and cannot be sold independently of these conferences. You have to register and book your place in advance. Registration forms will be available at a later date, as conferences will only be held in October / November 2011.

Each set contains 32 theological books and more than 400 e-books, with a total retail value of €750. You can, however, buy a set for only Rs3000.

Preference will be given to pastors, preachers and church leaders.



Administrative Centre in Albion



Do you still remember this photo that we published in our 2010 newsletter? Well, we need to thank you for your prayers and support, as the Lord has blessed us richly over the last few months. Not only did we receive a donation in kind from a Mauritian brother, but we also had a team of volunteers from Canada who gave themselves, their time and money to complete the Administrative Centre in Albion.

LOOK WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE DURING THE PAST MONTH:

When the team of five men arrived on 9 February it was evident that there was a lot to be done. They quickly made an inventory of tasks and planned their strategy to finish the job. Adapting to the heat and humidity was the biggest challenge, as well as working with building materials they were not used to. With great zeal and commitment they finished the job. On 5 April 2011 SIM Maurice will officially operate from the new administrative centre.



THE COMPLETED ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE IN ALBION:

SPECIAL NEED

SIM needs a new computer for our administrative centre. If you feel led to contribute, please contact us.



Ladies Craft and Fellowship

SIM hosted 3 fun, instructive afternoons of fellowship and craft for ladies all over the island. Imagine turning an empty Coke bottle into something beautiful and practical to use in our homes! A guest speaker from South Africa guided us in making this interesting craft. In this age where so much emphasis is placed on recycling, it was fascinating to learn how to put empty Coke bottles to good use and at the same time participate in keeping our island green.

Turning waste into wonder Ø

U The participants with the beautiful bowls they made



Rose-Belle



Curepipe



Trou
d'Eau
Douce

What is Worship?

SIM launched a course in Worship studies in Curepipe with about 27 people from different churches attending. Together we discovered the meaning of worship and how a life of worship looks. Each participant was challenged by this course and the Lord has already worked in mighty ways in the lives of those who attended.

SIM Worship Ministries

One of the highlights of SIM's ministry was definitely the Christian dance workshop that we organised in Beau Bassin in 2009. More than 600 people gathered for that event with a clear resolution to praise and honour their Lord and Saviour. As an outflow of this, SIM Worship Ministries was born in 2010, with the purpose of uniting believers in worship. On the 3rd Saturday of each month about 30 people meet to learn more about worshipping God in movement and song. This is also a lovely time of fellowship for all those who attend. If you want more information or want to join this group, please contact SIM.



*Remember the Lord, who is
great and awesome
Nehemia 4:14*



Evangelism Explosion

Every year SIM Maurice teaches a course in personal evangelism as part of the curriculum of the Bible school at the Christian Family Church International (CFCI) in Port Louis. This course equips believers with the skill to share their faith with somebody else on a personal level. Congratulations to the 18 students who have just completed this course. Keep up the good work and share the Good News whenever and wherever you can.

Currently, SIM is presenting the personal evangelism course at churches in La Gaulette and Tombeau Baie. Personal Evangelism is a mighty tool in reaching the lost with the Good News! Contact SIM if your church is interested.

