



## LIFE

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### ... in abundance

We parked on top of the hill under a big pine tree. The forest smells fresh and clean. The clear call of the red-chested cuckoo (Piet-my-Vrou) echoes through the trees. It is Saturday morning just after dawn and we are doing trail-running high up in the mountains. From time to time we have a birds-eye view of the valley, the Botrivier estuary and the sea. Flowers and shrubs in abundance and variety surround us. At times the only sound was that of my and Magdaleen's running shoes on the rich soil of the forest. What a privilege!!

Thank you Lord! We give you all the honour and glory!! We know you are our Father and we are your children and that Jesus Christ promised life in abundance. ([John 10:10](#))

We are indeed having life in abundance and are enjoying it to the full.

[Spiritual Growth](http://www.hope365.co.za/?q=node/85) – <http://www.hope365.co.za/?q=node/85>

### ... in its brevity

I received an SMS informing me that an old friend of mine had died. Two years ago doctors had diagnosed a serious problem. He refused to give attention and to receive treatment. He died. What is life? A short existence. I am sad, but I also rejoice. I know he was a child of God and now has eternal rest with the Lord - free from the hardships of life!

Life is short. The Bible's advice is: "*Seek the Lord while He is to be found, and call upon Him while He is near.*" (Isaiah 55:6)

[Assurance of Salvation : My personal relationship with Christ](http://www.hope365.co.za/?q=node/62) – <http://www.hope365.co.za/?q=node/62>

### ... for today

*Therefore I live for today -  
Certain of finding at sunrise  
Guidance and strength for the way.  
Power for each moment of weakness,  
Hope for each moment of pain,  
Comfort for every sorrow,  
Sunshine and joy after rain.*

- Anonymous

#### **Can this be true?**

Yes, because the Word of God gives this wonderful promise to all who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour:

*“My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus”* (Philippians 4:19)

### ... through confession

On one of the farms where we are offering a Wellness Programme on the issue of **forgiveness**, something wonderful happened. The owner of the farm came forward saying he had something on his heart.

There in the presence of 26 of his employees he asked forgiveness for the hurt he had caused them during the past years. He mentioned people by name.

The Holy Spirit began to work and also the employees started confessing. Forgiveness followed.

Together they prayed, asking God's blessings on the employer and employees on the farm and on the coming harvest.

#### **We have this almost unbelievable promise:**

*“If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all our wrongdoing”* (1 John 1:9)

[God's Love & Forgiveness](http://www.hope365.co.za/node/194) – <http://www.hope365.co.za/node/194>

## Pray for TIHM:

- **Thank the Lord for His wisdom as we contribute in people's lives** through our two main ministries :
  - The INTERNET – [Our ministry](http://www.hope365.co.za/ministry) – <http://www.hope365.co.za/ministry>
  - [WELLNESS PROGRAM for farmers and their workers](http://www.hope365.co.za/node/210) – <http://www.hope365.co.za/node/210>

- **Funds are needed in order to be effective in our calling.** Due to the recession faithful supporters are forced to reduce/cancel their debit orders. This results in a monthly decrease of income.

Pray that the Lord will provide through people, according to His riches  
– [There is Hope Ministries's current needs](#) –  
<http://www.hope365.co.za/files/TIHM-Needs.pdf>

- **Praise the Lord**

On Monday, October 12th , Arlene Pretorius had a live interview with us on Radio Pulpit regarding our own personal testimonies and ministries. This was very successful and several people contacted us as a result of what was shared.

## More views on life...

[Live your season today in power and victory](#) –  
[http://www.hope365.co.za/nuusbrief\\_images/2009/09Nov-Life-Views.pdf](http://www.hope365.co.za/nuusbrief_images/2009/09Nov-Life-Views.pdf)

*Until the whole world knows,*

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Help ONE more to be exposed to the Gospel through our ministry

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We aim to keep it interesting, instructive and instrumental to aid you in your Spiritual growth, as child of God.

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Please include my address, so I can add them in future communications from 'There is Hope Ministries'.  
**(Only if not forwarded before!)**

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