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A cool thing for us to be a part of!!

Launching new movements in South Africa!

In 2007, a team of students and staff from Harvard University set out to launch a "traditional campus ministry" in Pretoria, but God had a different plan. God used these students and staff and the many who have followed in their footsteps the past 7 years to hold a tutoring program that joins together American and South African university students as mentors. **In a black township where most kids are dropping out of school, a growing number are now staying in school ... and thriving.** The tutoring program is known as the Mamelodi Initiative.

Some of the top universities in South Africa are currently home to Mamelodi Initiative graduates. **The tutoring program has not only been significant in teaching them the Math and English they need for college, but is a place where they have numerous opportunities to hear and respond to the gospel. And many are.**

The need for US partnering continues. We have our first STINT team in place; they've been there since January. **The team is currently discipling a number of new believers. Praise God for fruit! We need a team to come behind them in January 2016.** The Mamelodi Initiative graduates are not only going on to university, but they are returning to volunteer and also leading the charge in launching the next movement on the other side of town: "Mamelodi 2.0."

How hard can it be?! South Africa is in the southern hemisphere and so runs on a whole different calendar year. We have successfully been able to make that work for both our summer missions trips and January missions trips for the tutoring program. But getting a STINT team there in January has more hurdles than one can imagine. Last year we learned a lot through the process. We hoped we'd already have the people lined up and in the preparation phase for January 2016, but we don't. **So next week I am meeting with a few others to create the "what do we do now" plan - implementing the lessons we learned from last year, while being full of faith that God wants us to move forward with a team.** Please pray for us and also ask the Lord to raise up a team of men and women to go. Thank you.

Your partnership with me is making it possible for people even in South Africa to know Christ.

Grateful,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Liz".

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