



Archie & Marina van der Byl – with Austen & Kaylee – serving with *All Nations*

-About Us-

As a single guy I (Archie) had 10 years of ministry experience in a local church – mostly focused on reaching students at the University of Pretoria, before Marina & I got married in 1997. That same year we moved to California, USA, so I could work on a MA (leadership & Intercultural Studies) at Fuller Seminary. In 2000 God blessed us with a son, Austen, and in 2002 our daughter, Kaylee, was born. Besides learning much through formal studies, God blessed us with wonderful mentors – especially when it comes to parenting. During our 7 years in the USA we also planted a simple church for ex-pats from South Africa. In 2005, we moved back to our country of birth (South Africa), to serve with the Navigators – a worldwide ministry with a strong emphasis on 1-on-1 discipleship.

Since then, we have served at 2 University campuses & recently I was invited to mentor & teach at Cornerstone Institute – a Bible School with an emphasis on developing Community Leaders. For the last 7 months we have served with a missions organization named *All Nations*. Right now we are participating in a 5 month training school that is broadening our capacity to be more intentional in building community among non-believers. The journey continues & we are excited to see what God might have in store for us in the future...

-Our Hearts-

1 Thes 2:8 captures the heart of our ministry:

“We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.”

-Our Vision-

Simply put, our vision is to live missionally as a family, and to help others to do the same.



-About our Ministry-

Focus points:

Missional Discipleship & Mentoring
Community Development

Building Faith at Home as a Family
Teaching & Training Leaders

-Where we are-

Since 2006 we have been living in Cape Town, South Africa.



-The Church-

Worldwide, there is a massive need for authentic discipleship – followers of Jesus, helping others to follow Jesus. This works best when there is an intentional community of believers. Jesus modeled this as he intentionally invested into the lives of the 12. In a rapidly changing world, our aim is to find relevant ways of being and doing church. We believe that the church is the bride and body of Christ and the hope of the world. We probably can't get everybody to church, but we won't give up on getting the church to everybody! We feel **that church is not a place we go, but a people who go**. It is in that spirit...the spirit of rethinking and reimagining new possibilities of being church that we are now partnering in ministry with All Nations.

We want to bring Jesus to a broken world and so we continue to be catalysts to form simple, biblical communities of believers rapidly reaching people and multiplying in neighborhoods, on college campuses, at the workplace, in many cities and countries...meeting real needs in Jesus' name, leading people to faith in Christ, and making disciples who make disciples. God has moved in a really neat way for us to be with the All Nations family of believers based in Cape Town, South Africa. *The vision of All Nations is to: Spread the worship of Jesus to the most neglected peoples of the earth through holistic church-planting movements.* We will continue to learn from one another about effective ways of transforming people for Christ.



-Missions-

We believe that a missionary does not minister as an unconnected individual, but out of a connected community of faith. Strengthened connections have numerous benefits. The greater body of believers is stimulated by greater engagement with the “front lines” of missions. At the same time, missionaries experience a broader base of emotional and financial support, allowing us to continue investing further in the lives of those that we are reaching with the good news of Jesus.

As new groups of believers spring up, we work to strengthen churches and empower leaders. With that in mind we are currently attending CPx. (Church planting experience.) CPx is an annual 5-month training event presented by All Nations. Our ‘class’ consists of 39 people from 14 nations, who are learning how to create an environment for nonbelievers to engage in fruitful conversations about Jesus, with the Bible at the core of our discussions.

We invite you, as our friends and extended family in Christ, to partner with us. As a partner, you will occasionally receive updates about our work, ministry insights, family life, praises, and prayer requests, through social media such as facebook & twitter, as well as occasional email newsletters. Thank you in advance as you prayerfully consider becoming a part of our ministry.

-Staying in Contact -



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For financial contributions:

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All Nations Family, Inc. c/o Walsh Washburn, 5360 College Blvd Ste. 100, Overland Park, KS 66211

OR visit <http://www.allnations.us> , Click on **Donate; Use our name as reference.** (If this doesn't work, please email us for alternatives)



Lastly, please **B-L-E-S-S** us with your Prayers. (This is a great outline to pray for all missionaries & friends)

B – Body	Pray for our physical health and nutrition.
L – Labor	Pray for our ministry work.
E – Economic	Pray for our financial well-being.
S – Social	Pray for our social relations: marriage & family life, and friendships.
S – Spiritual	Pray for our spiritual condition – that we will remain in the Vine. (John 15:7)

Your ministry partners in Africa,

Archie & Marina van der Byl

