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Last night was Rachel's birthday party. The young people had a lot of fun and the parents did, too! The only 'problem' was that her birthday cake was a bit of a flop. Put another way, it was a bundt tunnel cake that looked more like a pancake with a puddle. It is the latest in a long series of cake baking disasters. You see, all of my life I have lived at or about at sea level. Our move to Johannesburg has put us a 'mile high' and has had me rethinking my baking skills! I've asked people, searched the internet, added more of this and less of that but still my cakes are not photo worthy. Anyway, all of my culinary disasters have gotten me thinking, what does it mean to be at sea level? One definition I found says, distances away from the sea "compare the local height of the mean sea surface with a "level" reference surface ..."

Isn't that a little like our Christian walk? God through His word is the mean sea surface, complete truth, completely reliable day after day. What we believe and teach are the level references. Some churches want to take away from God's truth and they end up walking in the valley, some even to the valley of death. Others want to add to the truth and they end up 'mile high' and in disaster, like my cakes. We see this time and again with the Zionists – the adding to or taking away of truth. Tim's ministries among the Gauteng ZEBS, our leadership seminars, correspondence courses, youth camp and Bible clubs are all an effort before the Lord to bring people back to 'sea level.' Pray with us that these ministries will see fruit.

Specific prayer requests:

Pastor Timothy (as some of the Zionists call him)

There are no ZEBS during the month of April due to the extreme busy season of Easter. Pray for the Easter meetings around the country, safe travel, God's truth would be heard, people would come to Christ and pastors would be challenged to come to ZEBS. Other than that, lots of office work catch-up and a well needed vacation break.

Luann

Bible Club is also suspended for a few weeks but starts up again after Easter. I hope to work on important things like cleaning out wardrobes, photo albums and catching up on my correspondence.

Rachel

No school for three weeks, but she already has three big projects for homework over the break. Rachel turns 17 on the 29th of March and is probably hoping to have more pillow time.

Marie and Jonathan

Jonathan went on his first skiing excursion this winter. He received a promotion at work into management but with it came more responsibilities and I fear headaches. Marie is seeking a better school situation to allow her to receive her QTS [certification] from England.

Matthew

This semester Matthew is working about 30 hours at the Beach Resort and taking two classes from Moody. He takes the train from Zion to Chicago for night class. He is settling into life in America but has had enough of snow and ice.

Thank you for your prayers on our behalf. May God richly bless you this coming month as you serve Him in your own corner of His harvest field,

Blessings from our corner,
Luann for the whole Kuehl family