



# THE HAAS HAUS



## Cape Town Classes

In mid-July we went to Kalk Bay south of Cape Town together for a business trip with a little bit of pleasure tacked onto the end. Andrew was involved in SCCMM (Study Centre for Christian Ministry to Muslims), a two-week intensive course on Muslim ministry held at the Bible Institute of South Africa (BISA).

When SCCMM finished, it was immediately followed by a two-day training for using *Al Massira*. Arabic for "The Journey", *Al Massira* is a 13-episode video series for Muslims designed and presented by former Muslims. If you're familiar with the Alpha course, it's somewhat similar to that (see [www.almassira.org](http://www.almassira.org)).

On the fun side of things we went into Cape Town one Sunday afternoon. We also enjoyed riding the train up and down the coast on the weekends to the other quaint little towns and being complete tourists. Although the days were busy, we were able to get in a fair amount of walking each day.



HOLLY PAUSED FOR THIS PHOTO DURING OUR 45-MINUTE WALK FROM MUIZENBERG BACK TO KALK BAY AFTER LUNCH



ANDREW SERVED AS A SCCMM LECTURER ON ORALITY WITH HOLLY'S ASSISTANCE. STUDENT FEEDBACK ON OUR STORYTELLING COURSE WAS EXTREMELY POSITIVE.

### Holly's Health Update

Thank you for your long-suffering continued prayer for Holly's health. It continues to improve and we rejoice in that. Holly was told by one of her doctors that she needed to exercise six days a week for at least an hour. Holly made a plan and successfully set out to accomplish this (even while we were in Cape Town!) The result is that Holly's insulin levels have dropped back into the "normal" zone and her doctor has taken her off insulin medication. We rejoice that there is one less pill to take!

### Cape Town: Part II

As Executive Team Chairman for CCM (Christian Concern for Muslims), Andrew has been helping plan the next annual meeting. The theme of this year's CCM Partners Consultation is "Storytellers Like Jesus" and the event happens Oct. 11-13. Instead of flying down for just the weekend, Andrew leaves Sept. 30 at the invitation of a friend at The JESUS Film Project. This friend is teaching video production in Cape Town for a week. While learning skills for shooting field reports, Andrew will help document the Xhosa language premier of *Magdalena*. See [magdalenamovie.com](http://magdalenamovie.com) to learn more about this film originally designed as "JESUS for Muslim women."

## Listener Story

A few months ago, Marlon Govender visited TWR. He was born in a Hindu home in Durban (South Africa city with a large Indian population) Marlon became a Christian at the influence of his sister-in-law after reading a forgotten Bible he had been awarded for briefly attending a Sunday School as a child. He tells his testimony often but was most eager to tell TWR the story of his wife Judy. She was also born in Durban, the fourth of seven children.

*As I grew up, I diligently followed a life patterned by what my parents had taught me and had practiced themselves. My parents taught me be respectful to everyone and to follow all the religious rituals. I learnt that we needed to do penance to help pay for our sins and to win merit or favor with God. As a teenager, I often lay awake at night terribly afraid. I tried hard to be a good person, but all that I said and did still troubled my conscience daily as I was never sure if "good" was "good enough".*

She worked hard at being a good Hindu and was furious to lose her devout Hindu husband to Christianity.

*I asked aloud, "Jesus, who are you? Why have you ruined my life like this? You have taken a perfectly happy life and had destroyed it. How can I believe and worship you when I do not even know you? If you want me to believe in you then you must reveal yourself to me, only then would I believe."*

Unbeknown to Judy, Marlon had tuned to Good News Community Radio before he went to work on that morning. This local FM station often aired programs distributed by TWR. Just when Judy challenged Jesus in her heart and mind, Chuck Swindoll started to preach.

*Now at that instant as I had asked the Lord Jesus to reveal Himself to me, I heard a loud voice coming from the radio saying, "WHO ARE YOU FOR GOD TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO YOU? YOU ARE MAN ON EARTH AND HE IS GOD IN HEAVEN!" He said it again loudly and then went on to say, "If you want to believe in Him, you must believe by faith, that he died on the cross for your sins and that he rose on the third day to give you eternal life."*

It was the first time Judy had ever heard the Gospel, but she was certain that this promise of forgiveness of sins and of eternal life was the answer to her fears.

*Immediately I fell prostrate before the Lord and started to confess my sins, I told the Lord everything that I had ever done wrong in my life. I wanted a new beginning and to be cleansed from my old way of life. I realized that even though I had tried so hard to be good, I could never do anything that could make me acceptable to this Holy God.*

That day Judy felt a peace in her heart beyond understanding. It is been over 10 years now.

*He has changed my heart and His Word leads and guides me through life. I find all my answers to the questions of life in the Word of God. We serve a God who knows our hearts and in that time of need, God knew my heart and my needs better than I did. He gave me something more important than the love of man and family - the love of God and an eternal hope.*

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