



Africa Missions Board of Directors In Strategic Planning



Africa Missions Board of Directors: (Front Row, from left to right) Newest member Pastor Brad Espin, Founder & President Ron Kinnear, Rina Kinnear, Jannie Van de Merwe, (Second row) Judy & Gary Gilmore, and Chairman Pieter De Witt

What a wonderful Strategic Planning Meeting we had with our Africa Missions Board of Directors when we met earlier this year for two days. **Peter De Witt** (chairman of the BOD) and **Jannie van der Merwe** (Executive Committee chairman and Ron's personal coach) led the planning sessions with the other members of the board: Rina Kinnear, Gary and Judy Gilmore, Brad Espen, and myself.

During this time, it was decided that Africa Missions reposition itself to become even more effective for the Lord. The new Vision Statement that was adopted is ***Christ for Africa***. To accommodate growth, new profiles were established and team members were given greater responsibility and liberty, which would enable them to live their dreams and take ownership of our different programmes, including **Leadership Development, Evangelism & Discipleship Development, Church Governance Development, Ladies Ministry, Youth, and Marketing.**

Peter de Witt was CEO of Apostolic Faith Mission of SA for 25 years. He has served on the BOD of Africa Missions since its inception 22 years ago. We greatly benefit from his expertise and influence in the church arena in South Africa.

Jannie van der Merwe, who previously served as our chairman, coaches CEO's of large companies. Until his retirement he was the Human Resources manager for Johnson and Johnson. He serves as Ron's coach and is the Chairman of the Ex-

ecutive Committee. His active interest in Africa Missions and his influence has given structure to our programmes and helped us function more effectively in administration.

Americans **Gary and Judy Gilmore** hail from Tulsa, Oklahoma, where they pastored churches, worked at Oral Roberts University, and also managed our USA office since 1997. When they reached retirement age they could have sat back and enjoyed an easier pace and the grand-children, instead they crossed the Atlantic



Ocean and have for the past three years Gary has served as Administrator of our office in Pretoria and Judy as the Director of Communications. They also travel to promote Africa Missions throughout South Africa.

Brad Espin is the newest and youngest member of the BOD. He pastors Church on the Rise, a growing church in Cape Town. Brad and his wife, Lize, have two young children and are passionate about missions. Brad visited our mission fields several times and gained much insight in our operations. He has endeared himself to many pastors in the field and share our vision to take the Gospel from Cape Town to Cairo.

My dear **Rina** is the founder and president of King's Daughters of Excellence and is busy encouraging people to pray by leading prayer conferences and prayer schools. She also travels with me promoting Africa Missions in South Africa and around the world. I continue going into all the world and leading this organization with such wonderful people.

[Editor's note: Ron still runs up escalator steps (for real), has unbounding energy promoting Jesus, and has a huge heart for pastors in the field.]

We ask for your continued prayers as we go forward and "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel!"

In Him we live and move and have our being,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron + Rina" with a flourish underneath.

Ron & Rina Kinnear
and the **AFRICA MISSIONS TEAM**

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