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INSERV'S PRAYER LETTER  
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## A Word from Willie

Dear friends,

Regular communication from our side continues to be a problem. It seems the more we plan to do it the less we manage to get it done. Martine, Pierre's wife, did an excellent job in summarising events over the past months in order for us to send out this mail to you. If you have an email address, please send it to us, because we try and share more regularly with less news by email. As we are moving into the last part of this year, we realize more the responsibilities we have as an organisation regarding information and the expectation there is of Inserv. We continue to value and appreciate your prayers in all of our work. Please take notice that we pray for Peter and his family with the passing of his mother. (More information below)

Yours in Christ  
Willie Botha

## Summary of Inserv's News for the past months

It has been a very busy year for all of us at Inserv so far. We have all been involved in the AGM in January, and the Country Assessment Process (CAP). We also attended the follow-up meeting from the Lausanne Congress. In May we farewelled Barbara Bills, who has returned to the US.



Our successful strategic planning meeting in March was a reason for praise. Our biggest prayer concern currently is our financial situation. Please pray for support for staff and funding for travel and for the book project.

WILLIE has been coordinating input of people group information into the EIS database. He is busy planning for the MANI (Movement for African National Initiatives) 2011 Continental Consultation in Abuja, Nigeria, (5 to 9 September) where the data will be presented. Please pray for the preparation of reports and maps, based on the information from the Ethno-Information System (EIS), updated during the recent Country Assessment Process. Pray that the conference will play an important role in strategising to reach the least-reached in Africa with the Gospel. Praise the Lord that Pierre and Peter managed to get yellow fever vaccinations before the conference, as there was a nation-wide shortage of the vaccination. Also praise the Lord that the difficulties with the Nigerian visas were sorted out. Willie and Peter attended a follow-up Lausanne meeting in July organised by WENSA, and there was a TOPIC committee meeting in August. Good progress is now made with this project. Praise God that Willie was able to get away during school holidays.



PETER made one trip to Zambia in February and will visit there again in from 23<sup>rd</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> September. He will be attending a conference on Muslim Evangelism in Lusaka. He has been helping to facilitate partnership between "Way of Life" (German Ministry) and the Evangelical Fellowship of Zambia, and the Conference is presented by "Way of Life". He and Christine will also use this opportunity to deal with further issues regarding the passing of Peter's mother and

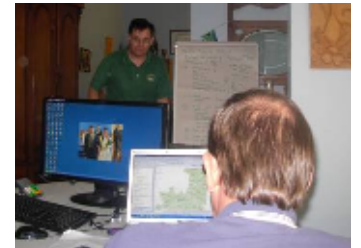
### VISION

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**It is with sorrow that we need to inform you that Peter's mother passed away on Wednesday, 3 August and she was buried on 6 August. She was very sick and suffered a lot the past year, especially the last few weeks with her health. Please pray with us for Peter and his family, especially their sister which nursed his mother for a long time and was very close to her.**

visit family of Christine after the passing of family also on her side. He will also go to Nigeria in September. From 16-23 September Peter and his wife will be in Mauritius, where Peter will give research training, speak at a conference and preach. Please pray for their daughters in their absence. Peter is involved with many of the Inserv projects and is particularly busy with the book project, on missions from an African and Evangelical perspective. Please pray for strength and wisdom for Peter in this very busy year and safety on his travels.

PIERRE is also very involved with the EIS database and TOPIC, and is writing a chapter for the book. He presented mapping training to a missionary in March and is presenting a seminar at MissionsFest in Pretoria (City-wide family oriented Missions Festival, 25-27<sup>th</sup> August). He will also be going to Nigeria in September with Willie and Pierre to assist with the MANI conference. In July Pierre and Martine were able to attend the Reformed and Evangelical Conference at Skogheim in KwaZulu-Natal, which was Martine's first visit to that province. They enjoyed a week's holiday also in KZN in August. Martine is now legally a temporary resident in South Africa. Praise God for the residential status and their marriage.



In July our books were audited and we continue to thank the Lord for the services of Petty which is making the process of auditing not something to be feared but just part of the functions to be performed.

### Prayer and Praise:

- Praise God for the successful AGM meeting and positive audit
- Progress with projects amidst challenging circumstances.
- Praise God for the chapters submitted for the book and prayer for the editing and production of the book.
- Praise God for a final EIS (Ethno Information System) database which we could use now to prepare documentation for the 2<sup>nd</sup> MANI Continental conference.
- The urgent need of more support raising both at a personal and organizational level for us to be able to continue our work at Inserv.

### Upcoming Events:

23 Aug to 1 Sept	Muslim Evangelism training in Zambia	Peter and Christine
4 to 10 September	MANI Consultation in Nigeria	Willie, Pierre, Peter
13 to 15 September	Barbara visits Inserv	Whole Team
16 to 23 September	Research Training Mauritius	Peter and Christine
16 to 18 September	Inserv exhibit NEOS congregation	Willie
20 to 21 September	Research Training, MET	Willie

**"He who has people is richer than he who has money."**

— (Nigerian Proverb).

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