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Building another team here in America is very challenging. I praise God for Him giving me Brett Martin to help me accomplish this momentous task! I met Brett when he brought a team of Chi Alpha students on a mission trip to South Africa in 2007. It was a 'divine appointment'. Chi Alpha is a huge ministry outreach to university students in the States. Brett has worked on the University of Arizona campus for 7 years and realises the great need for a ministry like Restoring Wholeness.

When I returned to America in 2008 he arranged for me to speak at Central City Assembly in Tucson. I taught a full two-day seminar as well...and from that moment everyone concerned, Pastor Dave Ferrari, Brett, and other leaders knew God had something awesome in mind for the ministry. Little did I know at that moment that God would call me back to the States to create and build a Restoring Wholeness ministry...and on top of that, Judi and I were married on Saturday, 6 June 2009!

In between 2008 and 2009 when I arrived in Tucson, Brett started a support group. He rallied the support of two men who had a calling on their lives to this type of ministry. Rob Erickson, who is also a Chi Alpha volunteer, has a warm and caring heart for the sexually broken. Ken Winchester is the other part of our team. He works with Central City Assembly as well as Chi Alpha and is a man with much wisdom and mercy.

We would seriously appreciate your prayers for the new team here in Tucson as well as for the future of Restoring Wholeness in North America. We see great opportunities on the horizon but we can't do it without your prayers and support. God bless you!



Wynn's team in USA; Ken, Rob, Brent and Wynn



Judi and Wynn Thompson, a very happy couple!



"A ministry becomes a Network!" by Johan Obbes

For quite some time now we at Restoring Wholeness Ministries felt that we can reach more people, but are facing some serious challenges in Finances and a lack of trained volunteers. Since October 2008 a lot of planning, praying and vision casting happened in the RW camp, and I am so excited to share our news with you. Our current strategy for growth is to focus on three areas which are Networking, Counselling and Communications. From this point of reference we felt that we need to develop our ministry by planting more branches in various churches to expand the specialized work which God has called us to do, and thus we decided to make the ministry into a Network!

The implementation of this would happen in the following way. Churches that are interested in partnering with us, would nominate a representative in their congregation that has a calling for bringing Sexual & Relational healing to people. This person will then be trained by our Management Team and the Philippi Trust which is our preferred counselling school, to qualify themselves in their counselling & self awareness skills. This would also help them in whatever challenge they might experience growing the satellite branch and carry the Restoring Wholeness DNA into their congregation to serve the needs of that local church. Our current work entails counselling, specific ministry courses and support groups. This will be the three areas in which representatives are trained. They can then in return rise up their own team to continue the work and thus expand the amount of trained ministry workers to reach more people.

Currently we are partnering with 5 incredible churches in the Western Cape (South Africa), who have all come on board through truly Divine Appointments. We are still in the process of writing an Operations Manual for the satellite branches, establishing our procedures, guidelines and criteria which to follow when a satellite is started, and how to manage it successfully and maintain a fruitful branch. Already the excitement is tangible and we are gaining ground. We have clearly seen that the need of every local church is different, and every branch will be different in size but in faith still the same DNA which this ministry was founded with in 1996. All praise be to God!

"The fundraiser, a great success" by Cyril Naicker

The fundraiser was a huge success because of your valued support. Thank you to everyone who attended, especially to those who contributed financially even though they were not there. Thanks to those who gave in terms of their time and to those who spread the word around prior to the event to help sell tickets. *Return to Innocence* was a watershed in the sense that going forward we need to raise the bar higher. Serving God through our ministry is truly an honor and so when we do anything that brings Him glory, it needs to be of the utmost high standard we can achieve!

The silent auction was a success and we are still waiting on the monthly contributions to come in. People gave generously. Clouds estate was an amazing venue, the support from their management team was truly amazing and every detail was managed well. A huge thank you to Bradleigh Goring in coordinating the sound and providing the music that we danced the night to and a special thank you to Anthony Niven for capturing this amazing evening in pictures. Please take a look at this link for the RWM Fundraiser pics:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/anthonymivenphotography/sets/72157617536333045/>

If anyone wants to buy an image you can for a minimal fee of R10 each and we will email you the original image.

We missed those that could not make this event and we look forward to the next one, where we will raise more funds and bring glory to our God.

Onward and upward!

