

July 1

A new team arrived from South Africa and immediately went to work at the Red Plot on the water problem. One of them was an ex mayor and he went over to the factory in town where they make the large plastic water storage tanks and got into his political mode and talked to the owners and came back with a huge water tank that they even agreed to deliver and connect up for free. It makes you wonder sometimes. Doesn't it? When the time is right things happen. It is the sign when the miracle happens and the wonder is that it makes you think as the kingdom advances simply when God decides it will. They are in the schools teaching and fixing broken windows around the plot for the rooms of the incoming teams.



July 4

A team of 9 from Orlando arrived in the afternoon after missing their flight in Johannesburg.



Not one of their bags came with them. We took them for some food and then tried to find lodging for them. God provided again. The next day they set out for Arandis and one of their members Niels Leppert and I spent the day at the airport tracking down baggage. This was a day to remember never, yes never, go through Jo'berg again no matter what. It is the theft capital of baggage in the world. This time the conveyors broke down and the baggage for Namibia alone was backed up 200 pieces. Some people had been here two weeks with no luggage. Niels was talking to the agent in her office here and at 2 PM she just up and went home with a 'shift over' goodbye. Customer service is not a high point here



Neils moved in and took over calling Jo'berg from her vacant desk with their phone and got the names of everyone in the British Airways staff and telephone numbers in Jo'berg (a list no one in Namibia has) and secured 11 of the 22 bags on the next flight. None of his came as a reward and the rest of the 11 other missing bags are still missing as the pile grows in Jo'berg. We still live in hope that they will soon show up here and hopefully not in the flea market. I hope this is sorted out before the rest of the team arrives on the 13th July. Yaaaaa!....welcome to Africa. Things are expanding rapidly here but there is really no improvement in the infrastructure to manage it.

July 5th.

Today I am trying to write a new blog to catch up and get ready for the next team coming in on the 13th so we went in search of the cook I used to work with two years ago to see if she will help do the cooking at the red Plot. We found her and made the arrangement so menus and shopping later.

I will go to Swakopmund on Saturday with Lon to visit the church there and for Lon to preach on Sunday morning at The Swakop River Community Church. On Sunday afternoon I will go to Arandis and start with Pastor Tresford on Monday working on helping him to get set up to reach Arandis with the gospel as there is no real representation of church there. He is open to really looking at doing small churches and starting in homes so we need to try to make a plan they can cope with and follow up by email.

We leave in the morning at 7AM for Swakopmund and will be carrying 6 of the remaining bags that came in today. This should be a challenge for sure.