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Not too long ago I spent the day with a group of missionaries from all over South Africa. During our conversation we began talking of new recruits joining us in the goal to reach the amaZioni for Christ. Sometime in the middle of the conversation I jokingly mentioned how no one who comes to work in Africa would want to live in Johannesburg ... the reaction to my humor was explosive and immediate agreement. The gist, of course, is no one would want to live or work there!! I have to admit that it has bothered me ever since, mainly because deep down I've had some of those thoughts myself since moving here. So, in my conviction I've been working on an attitude adjustment that goes something like this ...

My yard is the size of a postage stamp It has 23 different flowers in bloom today!

It doesn't rain for six months of the year No yard work for six months of the year!

The view from my kitchen sink is my neighbors' roof gutter The lime green paint greets me with sunshine joy each morning!

I hear innumerable languages every time I go to the mall Everyone speaks English!

Jo'burg drivers make Chicago drivers look like little old ladies on Sunday The Post Office is within walking distance!

Dust covers everything I love the wind in my hair!

The ocean is so far away The weather is gorgeous!

The crime is horrendous "Fear not for I [God Himself] am with you!"

Things are more expensive in the city I can buy fresh fruit and fresh

milk everyday!

Everywhere I look it's just buildings and mining scars I can hike a hill to the top of a waterfall just 20 minutes from my house in complete safety!

There are so many people I never go out to the shops without seeing amaZioni!

We're so busy Thrilling things are happening through our 4 ZEBS, Adult Bible studies, Children's Bible Club, Sunday School training, all established in just a few years - because God lives and works in Johannesburg!

Thank you for praying for us. God has been good to us in giving us a lovely home, good friends, great teachers for Rachel and a dynamic ministry. Please, join us for praying for a couple to come to Johannesburg to minister with us in Gauteng, the most populated province in South Africa. It's not that bad, really!!

Blessings and peace,
Luann for the Tim Kuehl family

PS Wishing you all the joy that is found in the real meaning of Christmas and every blessing for you and yours in the New Year.