

# 2011

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## 2011: YEAR OF SEVERAL NEW ADJUSTMENTS

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We were recently on the campus of Bob Jones University admiring the fountains and were struck by the rendering of a Scripture verse—

Psalm 36:9: 'For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.'

That served as a reminder of how the Bible uses light as a definitive metaphor for the way in which God has revealed himself, especially in the person of Jesus. The apostle John wrote:

'In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.' (John 1:4-10)

Because of the fall of the first ever humans, Adam and Eve, we, their descendants, are born in a state of spiritual darkness.

Only Jesus can bring spiritual enlightening. 'I am the light of the world,' Jesus stated. 'He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.' (John 8:12).

The Christmas holiday season reminds us of the best news. Have you turned away from sin and are you trusting in Jesus, walking in the light of God's word and in a relationship with him through his Son?

### LIGHT ENTERS THE WORLD



### 2011: THE BIG PICTURE

The year 2011 has been a full one. Events and aspects that come to mind include:

Taking the work of Day One forward, involving a measure of travel to various cities and states in the USA, getting more authors involved, and achieving greater independence in Day One's operations

Purchasing a run-down house and starting to restore it to its original potential

Visiting the United Kingdom to visit family and friends, as well as to promote the work of Day One Publications

Seeing Matthew grow and develop at school and in his musical skills

Having family and friends come to visit us in our new home

#### About the pictures on this page:

**Main:** An impromptu meeting with good friends Mike and Cilla Taylor, who were on a narrow boat in the English Midlands the day we were driving in the area. Mobile phone contact enabled us to meet within half an hour of the phonecall. Also there were John and Elaine Joubert from South Africa. Three families, three continents, at the intersection of the remarkable providence of God!

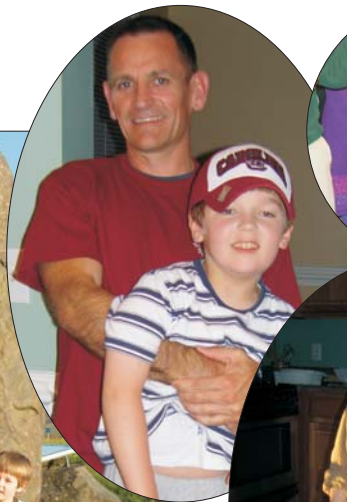
**Top right:** In Morecombe, Lancashire, at the statue of Eric Morecombe. Morecombe and Wise are British comedy icons

**Left top:** imitating Eric Morecombe's choreography

**Left middle:** With our good friends, the Zulu family

**Left bottom:** Matthew with new friend, Jess





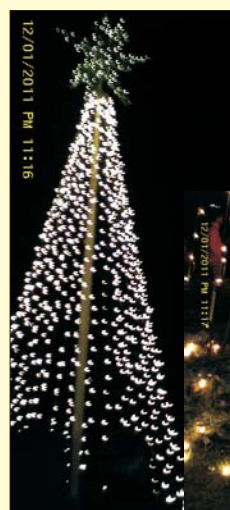
## AND MATTHEW REPORTS...

Dear everyone who is reading this newsletter, I want to tell you a little bit about some of the radio programs I listen to. First I want to tell you a little bit about one of my favorite programs called a treasury of classics it comes on air every Saturday night at seven pm e.s.t (eastern standard time). First there is a program called stereo music hall, then at nine pm we have a program called masters of the keyboard and finally at ten pm there is nocturne and the program ends at eleven pm.

**Pictures: Top row**—At Buckingham Palace after a nice dinner with the Queen; Scottish and English border; Matthew with his uncle, John, sporting South Carolina emblems; Matthew, dressed as pioneer for school event; and Matthew with viola doing his first ever recital

**Left roundels:** In Atlanta with Mike Nawrocki of VeggieTales. Matthew subsequently did a video interview with the team. With Bob and Larry look-alikes; Back-to-back with John; Front view of our house

**Centre:** Sue at front door of Bethel Hlananathi (the name of our house. Hlananathi is Zulu for 'Come and stay with us'.)



## PICTURES FROM MATTHEW



Matthew has been saving up for a camera. He got one recently. Here are some of his very own pictures!