

## ***In the tracks of a missionary Chapter 25: Special Update on Molinar's Mission in Kruger National Park***

On the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2022, Kruger National Park (KNP) announced the relaunch of *Kruger for Jesus Christ*, as it celebrated thirteen years of Christian service in the game reserve.

For Molinar Mission it is Romans 8:28 "loud and clear": It took twenty-one years of God working circumstances leading us to this mission in KNP. We remember back in 2001, Tom exploring with his project team 3 sites in the Reserve to develop, build and operate 3 Five-Star Game lodges. Riding on the back of a pickup truck into wild Bush, Tom thought, ***"What am I doing here!?"*** Eight years later in 2009, we returned to KNP to conduct Service Training in all of thirteen main camps. That's when we met Dr. Ezrom Mathumbu, Senior Camp Manager. That same year (2009), Ezrom started a Christian initiative in KNP called ***"Kruger for Jesus Christ."*** God uses circumstances in life to further His purpose and our destiny.



*Kruger for Jesus Christ* was given a mandate from KNP Management to be responsible for the spiritual welfare and Christian training of all staff. They realized the added benefits from believers working within Biblical standards.

At the relaunch, we were requested to present the Christian Leadership and Service Training which will commence in 4 of the Southern camps, during 15-27 August 2022.

***Prayer Request: KNP Management to continue supporting the spreading of the Gospel, and Christian Leadership training throughout KNP***

As missionaries, sometimes we cannot see too far down the road. Other times, we may have to backtrack to reroute onto the right road. One thing is for certain, *if God's Presence doesn't go ahead of us, then we do not want to go there!* (Exodus 33:15). Our mantra: *The Lord goes ahead of us on our journey, in fire by night and in a cloud by day, to search out places for us to camp and to show us the way we should go* (Deuteronomy 1:33).

**Kruger National Park** is wholly owned by the South African government, which openly supports and encourages the Gospel and Christian training in KNP! This would never happen in many other parts of the world!

KNP is one of the largest, protected, well-managed wildlife game reserves in the world. With 13 main camps and 17 bush camps, KNP employs over 2,500 people, all living in staff villages inside the game reserve.

Every staff village has a church, and a resident pastor who also works in a job within KNP. Most churches meet at least 3 times each week.



*Kruger for Jesus Christ* also reaches into the Ranger Camps and anti-poaching tactical teams. The situation is extremely dire! Rangers have been killed, including the horrific slaughter of rhino and elephants. Militia and police have been called in to help.

Regional Head Ranger, (name not listed for security), gave a report at the Relaunch. She called for all rangers to come to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, and for God's protection as they fight to protect the animals and staff and defeat the enemy.

***We fervently request Prayer for the protection of the many Christian Rangers who are serving in poaching combat zones. The situation is extremely critical. And through their witness, we pray the unbelieving rangers will also come to know and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.***