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Working together is critical and paramount to

- leverage off what has already been achieved,
- focus on what we do well,
- determine what and who is already in place,
- strengthen our collective voice, as well as
- identify where the major gaps are.

Northern Cape Freedom Project August 2017

The team worked very hard in July to confirm dates for events and activities for this trip.

Thank you to Rene, Cornel, CJ and Jayni who selflessly volunteered to travel through the Northern Cape in August 2017 visiting Kimberley, Kathu, Kuruman, Upington and Kakamas to

- raise awareness,
- provide resources,
- promote the Resource Line 0800 222 777 and
- specifically find activists to build a network for the province.

Further information will be available in 2018









Thank you, passionate young women!







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A tribute to

CHERLYN TSHABANGU

(1/10/1985 - 26/7/2017)

We at the National Freedom Network (NFN) are heartbroken at the passing of Cherlyn.

Her memorial service took place on 30 July 2017 World Day Against Trafficking in Persons and we are truly honored to pay tribute to someone who was incredibly passionate about this cause. We have huge respect for who she was and all she achieved.

She was a warrior woman, brave fighter, on the ground activist, going where others feared to tread.

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

Zechariah 10:5 Together they will be like warriors in battle trampling their enemy into the mud of the streets. They will fight because the Lord is with them, and they will put the enemy horsemen to shame.

Jude 1:23 Save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show mercy, mixed with fear—hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh.

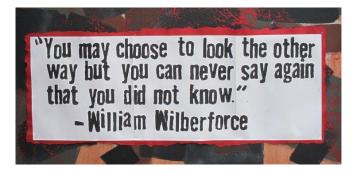
Marina, Diane, Kirsten, Marcel and many others in the counter human trafficking field salute you and the work you achieved.

Traffick Wise Seminar

22 – 23 Sept 2017



A hugely successful seminar was facilitated by Annelize Theunissen, Shawna Epp and their amazing team. We were privileged to sponsor Nonkululeko and her colleague from Kuruman, Northern Cape to attend. We are thrilled to empower, equip and encourage those around the country.



BYPASS Movie

The <u>BYPASS movie</u> launch took place in May 2017. If you missed the movie, watch it on DSTV Box Office for only R35. Why not arrange a light supper and meet as a group to watch the movie and discuss organ trafficking in South Africa.



God has set YOU free. Rest in Peace.

Analysis of NFN

In 2016 some individuals and organisations participated in a Social Network Analysis of the National Freedom Network (NFN) and an Analysis of Stakeholder Engagement. We have been able to work through the feedback and share some of the findings.

This analysis was particularly comprehensive and worthwhile. Further recommendations for implementation will be considered in 2018.

The core team are happy with the following perceptions of success of the NFN by our Network Partners:

Most respondents (70%) chose successful or very successful. 28% chose somewhat successful and 2% chose not successful. At least 50% of respondents chose the following as aspects of activities that contribute to this success:

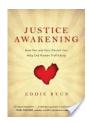
- Exchanging of information/knowledge;
- · Bringing together diverse stakeholders;
- Access to or sharing resources;
- · Informal relationships created; and
- Having a shared mission and/or goals.

Networking with individuals and organisations remains our key focus and is always rewarding. We are always thrilled to be able to share information about human trafficking in South Africa and provide important updates and reports from key strategic meetings locally and internationally.

Freedom Sunday 2017

Marina did a 10-minute presentation on 24 Sept 2017 at New Creation Family Church. EACH of us can:

- Pray
- Use social media to share posts
- Donate to the work
- Join the annual Walk for Freedom every October



 Read '<u>Justice Awakening</u>' by Eddie Byun, a recommended read about how individuals and the church can help end human trafficking.

In 2005, Nelson Mandela said, "As long as poverty, injustice and gross inequality persist in our world, none of us can truly rest."

Prayer initiative by OR Tambo Chaplaincy in partnership with A-Team Kempton Park and Tiny Hands

The idea came from some very committed Christians at the airport. Tiny Hands provided awareness training and powerful prayer times were facilitated by pastors. It was incredible on the Wednesday as we participated with over 25 people praying the Word all at once for different aspects of human trafficking in South Africa.



World Day Against Trafficking in Persons 30 July

We use social media by changing our profile pictures to raise awareness of human trafficking.





A Reality Unseen: Story Board Banners



These banners tell local South African stories of human trafficking, and were put together by photojournalist Melanie Hamman-Doucakis for the National Freedom Network. The NFN has supplied multiple sets of banners to 6 provinces for use by the Network Partners at their various awareness events and campaigns.

SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL RESOURCE LINE

SUCCESSES for JULY - SEPT 2017

Total of 1802 incoming calls

Received calls from 8 out of 9 provinces

63 Tip offs received

NHTRL assisted with 7 rescues

Total of 38 rescues since Aug 2016



Worthwhile video/audio clips



<u>SABC Newsroom interview with Marcel van der</u> <u>Watt</u> starting at 32 minutes around the issue of human trafficking and the case of recently rescued potential victim.

And Human Rights Watch, Dewa Mavinga interviewed at 45 minutes.

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Breakthroughs in technology to tackle modern slavery.

The Role of Digital Technology in Tackling Modern Slavery was the title of the international workshop which took place on 12 - 14 June 2017 and was attended by Marcel van der Watt, South Africa.

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The Drive Show with Mo Flava & Masechaba Ndlovu

Listen to a great interview 'Human trafficking in South Africa' and tribute to Cherlyn Tshabangu with Marcel van der Watt on Metro FM.

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