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Dear Friends,

Last November two of our 2006 IYL scholars, Michael Mollo and Gabisile Simela, graduated with Honors from the University of Johannesburg with degrees in Accounting. This is the best measure of success for IYL: Seeing our scholars move forward into the next new and exciting phase of their lives with the full knowledge WE helped them get there! Their transitions mirror those of our world. In Washington, President Barack Obama has brought a new direction to the United States. There will also be a new resident in the president's home in Pretoria as elections are soon coming which will decide the direction South Africa will take in the foreseeable future. For IYL the New Year has been marked by a new level of maturity and focus. Our agreements with several key partners have solidified with wonderful results. Our partner organizations in South Africa, Student Sponsorship Programme, Life College, and African Leadership Academy, all furnished students for this year's "Expose, Enlighten & Educate" (EEE) trip. Delta Airlines and Hyatt Hotels and Resorts are continuing their support through this year, greatly facilitating our

Sincerely,

Dr. Christopher B. Howard
Chairman and Founder



*Dr. Chris Howard,
Chairman and Founder*

ability to do what we do. With the support of all of these organizations we are able to focus on making the trip what it needs to be.

This year, however, will also be one of change for the IYL Foundation as this June I will be moving to Virginia as the 24th President of Hampden-Sydney College (www.hsc.edu). IYL will be eventually moving with me and Barbara as there has been much enthusiasm among the faculty, staff, students and alumni there over its continuation. I thank you all for continuing to support IYL as we make this transition. Look forward to seeing you soon.

2009 IYL Scholars



Drishna Govan

Drishna is currently pursuing a Masters of Science in medicine at the University of Witwatersrand. She plans to work in medical research and it is this end that she wants to travel to the U.S. She believes that South Africa has much to learn from the U.S., both in terms of unity and optimism and wishes to “use the knowledge I gain from the EEE trip to encourage fellow South Africans to think more globally and not limit their dreams.”



Thenjiwe Stemela

Thenjiwe is a first year Theatre and Performing student at the University of Cape Town. She is involved in her residence house, serving as her house’s culture and sports representative, a post she is using to promote “the interaction between, celebration and integration” of the diverse cultures found in her house. She hopes to expand her horizons through her participation in the EEE trip.



Katleho Mahapa

Katleho is studying to attain a Bachelor of Arts in marketing communication at the University of Johannesburg. She is a member of the Student Sponsorship Programme Alumni Board, a post in which she helps to maintain the program which has helped bring her to where she is. Katleho is interested in broadening her perspectives on the EEE trip by exposing herself to a new culture.



Pritesh Jivan

Attending the University of Johannesburg, Pritesh studies electrical and electronic engineering. Outside of his studies, he likes to play cricket and was a tutor aid at Life College, which fueled his passion for teaching and helping others. Pritesh looks forward to learning all he can during the EEE trip and hopes to come back more motivated to strive for his goals in life.



Wandile Mtoba

As a student at the University of Capetown, Wandile pursuing a BS in electronic and mechanical engineering. He has a wide range of interests from mathematics, to drama, which he participated in for 3 years. Wandile has attended a mathematics convention in India, and the following year participated in a community service project in Guatemala. Wandile looks forward to experiencing the “industrious Spirit of Americans and applying what he learns from IYL to better his future.

2009 Scholar Accepted to University of Michigan



In April 2009, Wandile “Ziggi” Mtoba was accepted to study at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor for the aeronautical engineering undergraduate program. He will start his undergraduate studies in Michigan this June 2009 in the summer

bridge program. IYL congratulates Ziggi, who was named an IYL Scholar in spring 2009, and wishes him the best of luck with his new experience as a scholar in the United States.

Spring 2009 IYL interns: Marissa Alberty & Alexander Spray



Marissa studies International and Area Studies at the University of Oklahoma. She is the current president of the International Affairs Society, a student organization aiming to increase global awareness

on campus. Marissa will travel to South Africa in May, as well as study abroad in Spain. After graduation, Marissa plans to volunteer overseas or work in foreign policy.



Alexander is an International and Area Studies Junior at the University of Oklahoma. Alexander does occasional work translating for watchingamerica.com, a site which provides Americans with foreign

opinions, and also works with the Sooners for Christ on campus. After graduation Alexander plans to pursue a masters degree or work in public service.

IYL Scholars Graduate



Michael Molo and Gabisile Stemela Graduate from the University of Johannesburg

IYL would like to congratulate 2006 Scholars Michael Molo and Gabisile Stemela on their November 2008 graduation from the University of Johannesburg. Both graduated with honors in accounting. We are always excited to congratulate our former scholars on all they achieve. We know that as IYL alumni, Michael and Gabisile have the leadership skills and drive to impact their country in big ways. IYL wishes them the best of luck and cannot wait to hear of their future successes.

Congratulations to former interns:

Congratulations to the following former interns on their graduation from the University of Oklahoma this May, 2009! Proud of their many accomplishments, IYL wishes them the best in all their future endeavors and hopes they continue to positively impact the world around them.

- Kaylé Barnes: Journalism, minor in IAS
- Mark Nehrenz: Journalism, minor in African Studies
- Amanda Holloway: Advertising and Marketing
- Albert Schilthuis: IAS and French

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Thank You:

The Impact Young Lives Foundation would like to thank all of those who have made our work possible.

2009 EEE trip dates:

The 2009 EEE trip will begin on June 28, 2009 and go till July 7, 2009

6/27-29	Boston, Massachusetts
6/30-7/1	New York City, New York
7/2	New Jersey
7/3-4	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
7/5-6	Washington, D. C.
7/7	Atlanta, Georgia
7/9	Return to Johannesburg

New IYL website:

Ryane Keith and Christian Colon have worked very hard to bring IYL's plans for a new website layout to fruition. The new website will improve IYL's look on the web. Check it out at www.iylfoundation.org. IYL would like to thank Ryane and Christian for their hard work and diligence.



We at Impact Young Lives would like to extend a special thanks to Delta Airlines and Hyatt Hotels for their generous in-kind donations. These gifts result in the overwhelming success of our EEE trips.



Sifiso Ngwenya and the IYL family

Sifiso Ngwenya Visits OU:

This April, Sifiso Ngwenya, IYL Volunteer Corps member, visited OU as a guest lecturer in Dr. Howard's Honors Leadership Colloquium. He delivered a wonderful lecture on Leadership and spoke about the opportunities and challenges facing South Africa today. He was also able to meet the IYL interns, and catch up with Dr. and Mrs. Howard. It is always a pleasure to have IYL supporters visit us, and we'd like to say thank you to Sifiso.