



Pioneers and Teambuilding programme (Introduction)

Vision:

Only he who is conscious of the past, will know how to lead in the future”- Petrus J.S. Vermaak

We at Wilgewandel holiday Farm are forming a platform to help educate the leaders of today and tomorrow by means of cultural and natural heritage. (“Walk in the footsteps of your forefathers”) A team of well-trained facilitators will motivate the group to enhance each individual’s self-awareness and self-esteem. This will help them to be better citizens in a multi-racial and religious society like South Africa and also to make the correct choices in life as to academics, sport, careers and relationships. **(Primary and High schools programme)** We need to start gaining hope with the youth of our country, for they form the foundation of our rainbow soul. They need to be led and educated, so they can lead us to a better tomorrow.

(Corporate programme) It is also imperative that our corporate employees be led into preparing the way for a new pioneering thought to secure a better future for South Africa. **(Agape programme)** The same is applicable in our Christian Community. We need true Christian pioneers who can lead us into this new pioneering philosophy

What is this pioneering philosophy and what is a true Pioneer?

The verb Pioneer has the following meaning::

- To innovate, introduce and to prepare a way; (bring something new)
- *Take the lead* or initiative in; participate in the development of;

The new pioneering philosophy consists of 5 principles, **namely faith, patience, respect, perseverance and courage**. A true Pioneer look past the distinction of color, race religion and culture and uses the strength gained from the cultural diversity of their school/ church or company to benefit their group.

It is someone who acts with **faith** in himself or herself and who is displaying this faith towards their fellow learners/ church members/ colleagues at work.

They have the ability to be **patient** and are showing calmness when under pressure to reach short term and long term goals. At all times they will know that to gain **respect** you need to show respect, no matter what culture, race or religion your fellow being belongs to. They believe success can only be reached by hard work so they will always **persevere** in reaching their goals. They stand up to challenges for they believe every problem is a challenge arising. Their positive outlook in life displays a lot of **courage**.

It is a person who has the vision to lead his or her group with a lot of initiative and creativity so that the group can reach a much higher level of productivity and integrity.

The true Pioneer is someone who can set an example of a true pioneering spirit to create synergy between group members of different religious and cultural backgrounds. They will always be conscious of the successes and mistakes of past pioneers, so that they will be able to know how to lead in the future.

***** We focus on the leadership model of Mr Nelson Mandela as one of South Africa’s greatest pioneers.**

The Pioneers and teambuilding programme (Primary and High schools) at Wilgewandel Holiday farm consist of the following activities, which will work on a rotation basis in conjunction with the Congo Caves.

(Day programme)

1. **Wilgewandel Amazing Race** (Introductory activity to day programme)
2. **Camel rides** (Interesting facts about camels and rides)
3. **Wilgewandel H2O – Water ecology** (The water cycle / Global warming)
(*Real pioneers believe in positive thinking to create hope*)
4. **Congo Treasure hunt** (Biodiversity awareness)
(*Real pioneers believe knowledge give power*)

5. **Live SA Pioneers experience** (Historical insight into SA cultural heritage)
(*Real pioneers believe to gain respect, you need to show respect*)
6. **Low team Challenge Obstacle course** (Teambuilding/ Leadership activities)
(*Real pioneers believe in teamwork and is a team player*)
7. **Optional activities** (rowing boats/foefieslide/ donkey cart rides/ghwarra golf etc.)
8. **Breakfast, lunch and dinners** are available at Wilgewandel Holiday farm

The **Agape Christian leadership programme** for Sunday schools and church groups consist of the following activities:

1. Camel rides
2. Biblical Treasure hunt (Experience the fauna and flora of the Bible)
3. Libe Biblical cultural experience (Walk in the footsteps of your Biblical forefathers)

The **Corporate Pioneers Teambuilding programme** consists of the following activities:

1. Camel rides Foefieslide rides
2. Wilgewandel Amazing Race

Other reasons why to visit Oudtshoorn:

Wilgewandel is situated in close proximity from the following:

1. **Cango Caves** (2 kms from Wilgewandel) – Adventure/Standard tour (044) 272 7410
(Day programme with Wilgewandel – we can make the booking at the caves.)
2. **Cango Ostrich Farm** (10 kms from Wilgewandel) – Ride an ostrich (044) 272 4623
3. **Cango Wildlife Ranch** (25 kms from Wilgewandel) – Touch a cheetah (044) 272 5593
4. **CP Nel Museum** (27 kms from Wilgewandel) – The history of the ostrich industry
(044) 272 7306

Accommodation:

1. **Cango Mountain Resort** (7 kms from Wilgewandel) (044) 272 4506
2. **De Hoek Mountain Resort** (7 kms from Wilgewandel) (044) 272 8214
3. **Schoemanspoort** (9 kms from Wilgewandel) (044) 279 1766

Please be advised that any reservations and payments concerning the above attractions and accommodation need to be done by the schools self. Wilgewandel will be able to assist with the booking of the Cango Caves reservation for it is forming part of our Pioneers and Teambuilding day programme. The payment for the Cango Caves visit need to be done by the school self.

Meals:

Wilgewandel can accommodate groups staying at the above resorts with the following meals:

- **Breakfasts**
- **Lunches**
- **Dinners**
- **Packed lunches**

If you need to find out more about the Pioneers and Teambuilding Programme for **Primary and High schools/ Sundayschools and church groups and Corporate groups**, etc. then you are welcome to contact us.

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