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South Africa to Host FIFA World Cup

A month from today, South Africa will be the first African nation to host the FIFA World Cup Games amidst fanfare and celebration. While 90% of the tickets have been snapped up by soccer fans worldwide, many hope that South Africa's investment in the infrastructure and the new stadium construction necessary to host this highly anticipated global contest will help boost tourism into the 21st century.

Infinite Family corporate sponsor, Bombardier Transportation, has successfully completed one of the main branches of the Gautrain, a state-of-the-art high speed people mover system that will usher guests from the Oliver Tambo International Airport to destinations in both Johannesburg and Pretoria. The commuter portion of the rail system is anticipated to be completed by November 2011. This is welcome development news to road-weary commuters accustomed to Johannesburg's horrible traffic jams.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who won the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize for his peaceful resistance to apartheid, recently stated that hosting the World Cup is "a good shot in the arm because we haven't had, you know, this ... feeling good about ourselves too much... Sport does have that extraordinary capacity to unite people, it seems".

One thing is certain; Infinite Family Net Buddies are thrilled to be part of it all! One Net Buddy offered advice to World Cup travelers on her blog post, featured on the EZ net. She suggested foods to try and places to visit as well as safety tips for those visiting South Africa. Be sure to read this and many other interesting and inspiring stories on the [Infinite Family blog](#).

Go Behind the Scenes on the EZ Netat Any Time

Every month, Infinite Family offers live webinars hosted by Program Director Dana Gold, which guide guests on a tour of the Ezomndeneni Net and the video conversation "desktop." Now, anyone interested in learning about how our program works can take that tour any time by viewing a newly created five-minute video on the [website](#). Once there, click on **See The Demo**.



Creators Karen Leeds, Katy Keck and Russell G. Jones crafted a narrative that describes how video mentors interact with their Net Buddies and the nuts and bolts of the secure platform and the tools mentors can tap for effective skill building sessions with their buddies. The video gives insight into the Net Buddies' blogs and their artwork, and displays in easy-to-understand format the many ways Net Buddies and their video mentors use the internet and platform to form nurturing, future-focused relationships.

Additionally, the video is available on our [You Tube Channel](#) along with many other videos.

Infinite Family Facebook –You like us, you really like us!

Infinite Family's Facebook page is an important vehicle for our communication efforts and with the recent changes at Facebook, giving us the "thumbs up" can help us reach our goal of growing from 300 to 500 strong.

Our page is a gateway to Net Buddy blogs, upcoming Infinite Family events and a convenient way for you to post your comments, send us links or upload photos to connect to the Infinite Family community online. It's also a great resource for insights into South African culture and news and views of the region.

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