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# Indawo Yethemba Children's Village



Indawo Yethemba Children's Village is unique in its approach to orphan care. With help from local churches, we find Christian caregivers who wish to foster children. We then empower these caregivers to raise abandoned and orphaned children in an environment that is safe. Though project is not perfect, it appears that

our children are much more stable than those who are placed in traditional institutionalized orphanages or homes. Project has been receiving children since 2008. Only four have been reunified with biological family members; thus, children currently living at the village appear to be here for the long term. With

#### Update

help from six caregivers, children appear to be adjusting well to living in foster care. Children currently attend seven schools, with most doing exceptionally well. As children continue to grow into their preteen years, cost of raising them increases, with education and transport being the two biggest expenses. Some of the older children are also involved in leadership training, funded by several area nonprofit organizations. Also, all our children are active in their local church, with older children actively participating in Christian youth groups, both at their church and area church groups. Having a balanced life is a characteristic of a strong home, and Indawo Yethemba is doing all it can to ensure raising balanced kids.

Dear Friends,

Though a number of great charities exist, we like to think that ours is one of the most rewarding because donations go directly to benefit Indawo Yethemba Children's Village. We have no paid staff; our directors are volunteers and receive no financial benefits; and my wife and I receive funding from our supporting churches via a missions' clearinghouse in Missouri. I wish all charities could operate this way; however, I know that many cannot. I am glad that we continue to operate in a manner to best benefit our children.

Gazi Abantwana Izinyawo,

# Over Three Million Children Orphaned in South Africa



Pretoria - Over three million children are currently orphaned in South Africa, according to Statistics South Africa (Stats SA). Just under 19.6% of all children in

South Africa, representing approximately 3.6 million individuals, are orphaned," said Stats SA in its social profile of report of vulnerable groups in South Africa, 2002-2010. The report is released annually. It analyses changes in the situation of children, the youth, the elderly and women over time. According to the report, KwaZulu-Natal has the largest percentage of orphans at 26.9%. The

report has found that black children are most likely to be orphaned than children from any other population group. "More than 22% of black children are classified as orphans compared to the 9.6% Coloured, 4.2% Indian/Asian and 2.5% White children," noted the report. Stats SA attributed this to the large number of paternal orphans in three provinces that are considered (continued p. 2)

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# CRP'S FALL/WINTER FUNDRAISING DRIVE

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## Child Spotlight "Yamkela"

Yamkela arrived at Indawo Yethemba Children's Village shortly after his birth on September 19, 2011. Like many of our children, he was simply abandoned. Now, he lives in a wonderful home with Gogo Mavis. He is an extremely active young man, who enjoys laughing and playing. He appears to be doing well at his local preschool, where he is learning how to read and



write. If one is ever leaning toward depression, he or she simply needs to spend a few minutes with Yamkela, who is guaranteed to lift anyone's spirit. To sponsor this child, visit <a href="https://www.sacrp.org">www.sacrp.org</a>.

# **Orphan Crisis (continued)**

migration-sending provinces namely KwaZulu-Natal, Eastern Cape and Limpopo. Children and youth comprise respectively 40% and 37% of South Africa's total population with older persons comprising less than 8% of the population, although this group is growing rapidly. The data shows that 4.4% of children are double orphans, 11.6% paternal

"62.1% of children live in households with per capita income of less than \$44 per month."

orphans, 3.5% maternal orphans and the remaining 80.4% of are not orphaned. Only 33.5% of children live with both parents while 23.9% live with neither parents and 3.3% live with their fathers and 39.3% live with their mother. Women who head 37.5% of all households data has shown that the percentage increases with age peaking at 54.3% for women older than 70years. More dependents are found in female-headed households. Approximately 62.1% of children live in households with a per capita income of less than \$44 per month.



South Africa (2015)

7 million people living with HIV 19.2% adult HIV prevalence

380,000 new HIV infections

180,000 AIDS-related deaths

48% adults on antiretroviral treatment

Source: UNAIDS Gap Report 2016

#### PLANNING AN AFRICAN TRIP?

#### Indawo Yethemba Children's Village is a Perfect Destination



Mission Teams

Nowhere else in the world can one find so much beauty and opportunity to serve than at *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village in South Africa. Generally, groups arrive in Johannesburg, where they are collected for a road trip to Ashburton. Along the way, they stop for coffee and brief snack. Upon arrival at the village, they quickly spend the evening recovering from a long trip. The groups usually spend the first part of their trip working in

and around the village. Renovation and repairs are a constant need. Afternoons are spent helping children with their homework and school-related projects. Evenings are spent having fun time with the kids. The second part of a group's time is generally spent working with missionaries on church-related items, such as children and youth camps. The last part of the trip is generally spent seeing some of the most beautiful places in the world.



Victoria Falls

#### African Safari

Imagine a sunrise breakfast in the African bush while seeing some of God's most wonderful creations or an elephant crossing while traveling across Botswana. Perhaps, you have dreamed of walking in the rain forests in the midst of Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe or hiking the mountains of Cape Point while searching for breaching whales. These experiences can be enjoyed while benefiting the children's villages of the CRP. Contact dr.bobgraham@gmail.com.

STANDARD
Duration: 8-12 Days
Travellers: 6 - 25
Includes Kruger National Park
Cost: \$700

**EXPERIENCE SOUTH AFRICA** 

Duration: 10 — 12 Days Travellers: 6 — 10 Includes Kruger National Park and Cape Town Cost: \$1200

# EXPERENCE SOUTHERN AFRICAN

Duration: 12 – 14 Days Travellers: 6 – 10 Includes Chobe (Botswana), Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe), Kruger National Park and Cape Town (South Africa) Cost: \$3,000

\*Costs are estimates and include transportation, food, lodging and visas. and do not include round-trip airfare to South Africa.

## **Operating Budget**



### Jeff Riber Educational Fund

As a nongovernment entity, the Children's Resiliency Project receives most of its funding from businesses, churches and individuals to operate its children's villages in South Africa. To keep operating efficiently during the year, charity must generate at least \$7,972 per month to reach its current yearly

operating expense of \$88,366. Caregivers do receive \$2,400 per month from social development to help cover the cost of food. All other expenses are covered by

donations. We also have established a new fund in honor of our late friend Jeff Riber, Sr. to help with our educational expenses, which are currently about \$18,000 annually.

#### CRP'S BASIC OPERATING COSTS

Expense	Monthly	Yearly	Once Off
Caregivers' Supplement	\$600	\$7,200	
Food	\$2,416	\$29,000	
Insurance	\$542	\$6,500	
Maintenance	\$583	\$7,000	
Renovations	\$500	\$6,000	
Education	\$1,500	\$18,000	
Transportation	\$666	\$8,000	
Utilities	\$833	\$10,000	
Vehicle Maintenance	\$333	\$4,000	
Activity Center			\$4,000
Home Sponsorship			\$35,000
Irrigation			\$2,000

All donations are tax deductible (EIN 20-215709).

# Supporting Indawo Yethemba (Place of Hope)

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Online Donations at <a href="www.sacrp.org">www.sacrp.org</a> (select "Give Now") Electronic Checks, Visa/Mastercard Accepted

Receipts of Gifts to CRP Available Each January

CRP Does Not Exchange Donor Information

CRP Directors and Officers Do Not Receive Salaries or Benefits

All Funds Are Used to Benefit Indawo Yethemba Children's Village



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"SUFFER THE LITTLE CHILDREN TO COME UNTO ME...FOR OF SUCH IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD." MK. 10:14

# Earn a Trip to South Africa



Comrades Ultra Marathon

The South African Children's Project offers exciting ways to earn a trip to Indawo Yethemba Children's Village in South Africa while raising funds for the project. If you are a marathon runner or a long-distance cyclist, you can earn a round-trip ticket to visit the Graham family and the grannies and children

at their children's village in Ashburton. If you are a runner, the Comrades Ultra Marathon takes place annually in June. It is an 89-kilometer (56-miles) race from Durban to Pietermaritzburg. The race route includes our children's village. Recently, two runners earned medals in last year's race while raising nearly \$10,000. Visit

www.comrades.com for more information. If you are a cyclist, the Amashova Durban Classic takes place in October 2017. It is a 106-kilometer (66 miles) race from Pietermaritzburg to Durban. For more information about the race, visit www.shova.co.za. Basically, the CRP's board of directors has agreed to reimburse a round-trip economy ticket for each \$5,000 raised for its children's projects in South Africa. Participants are encouraged to plan at least nine days for their trip, which usually includes five to six days at CRP's Indawo Yethemba Children's, located in

Ashburton and three days on safari in the world-famous Kruger National Park (www.sanparks.org). If you would like more information about earning a trip to participate in one of these events, please contact Dr. Graham at dr.bobgraham@gmail.com.



Amashova Durban Classic