

CRP'S SPRING/SUMMER FUNDRAISING DRIVE



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Construction Update

Additions and Renovations



Indawo Yethemba Camp Facilities

Though construction and renovations will continue throughout the rest of 2015, camp facilities are complete. With the help of a mission team from Faith Baptist Church in Osterville, Massachusetts, a new wing was added to the camp dormitories. This wing can house an additional eighteen

campers. *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village hosts three to four camps a year for underprivileged children from various townships in and around KwaZulu Natal. Camp facilities now include three dorm rooms, two bathroom with showers, and a huge pavilion. Also, during this time, three vegetable

tunnels were erected. It is important that children here learn farming skills because high unemployment rates exist in South Africa, especially among the youth. Winter crops have just been planted and will be ready in about sixty days. Finally, new home construction continues with completion dates sometime around August. In the meantime, new children have been moved into the old home up top. It is scheduled for renovation later this year.



Pastor Kerns and Team

Dear Friends,

As *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village continues to grow, I often recollect about the early years of the project. It has been eight years since my family and I moved here to start the project. It has taken a great deal of courage and faith to get to where we are today. I also know that without the support of our friends and family, we would still be dreaming. We are able to help these vulnerable children have a better life because of you. As we continue to expand, I know the future is bright. With new building and houses, we will be able to help a new generation of children.

Gazi Abantwana Izinyawo,

Bob



Xenophobia Hits South Africa Again

Violence in Durban and Johannesburg



A wave of anti-foreign violence that has killed five people in and around the

city of Durban in recent days has spread to Johannesburg. Immigrants in the country's biggest city shut their shops in fear of attacks. A mobile phone text message sent to shop owners warned them to shut their premises, claiming that "Zulu people are coming to town...to kill every foreigner on the road."

Shops owned by foreigners in Durban have been looted and burnt during the violence. Police fired rubber bullets to disperse angry crowds, as protests were held by both immigrants and locals, some brandishing hatchets and machetes. South Africa, with a population of 50 million, (see "Xenophobia" p. 2)

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Child Spotlight "Tshwarelo"

Tshwarelo has been living at *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village since 2008. She is living proof of the benefit of living in a loving home. When she first arrived, she appeared to live in constant fear. She would scream and cry every time she was forced to travel. There is no telling of the early trauma that she may have experienced before her arrival. She now is one of the village's happiest kids. She enjoys attending school, where she is also active in sports. She



is fluent in both English and Zulu. She continues to grow into a beautiful young girl and is in the care of Auntie Mildred, who has loved her unconditionally since Tshwarelo lost her first caregiver, Granny Rosina, who died in 2012.

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is the home to an estimated 5 million immigrants. South African unemployment is officially around 25% but is widely believed to be much higher, and youth joblessness is near 40%. Some politicians and residents say immigrants are in the country illegally and accuse them of committing crimes and taking over local shops and jobs. In 2008, more than 60 foreigners were killed in similar unrest as locals vented frustrations over various issues, particularly a lack of jobs in the continent's second most advanced economy. Even political figures have voiced their opinions, including King

Goodwill Zwelithini, who was accused of telling foreigners to take their bags and leave the country in a speech given several weeks ago in Pongola. Please pray for South Africa as it faces this crisis.



King Zwelithini

**I dream of an Africa which is in peace
with itself. – Nelson Mandela**

PLANNING A MISSIONS TRIP?

Indawo Yethemba Children's Village is a Perfect Destination



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 in the African bush on safari. Though no group actually visits the project to vacation, the Grahams enjoy taking teams to either Kruger National or Hluhluwe/Imfolozi Parks to enjoy some of God's most creative handiwork. Nothing gets a person's

heart pumping like an Elephant or Lion crossing. Also, the tranquility of an African sunrise or sunset can be awe inspiring. Total cost for airline tickets, food, transportation and lodging is generally between \$1800 and \$2000 depending on time of travel and duration. Consider bringing a team soon.



Donations Still Needed to Pay for New Mini Bus
Total Cost: \$28,000

Visit www.sacrp.org or contact Dr. Graham at sacrp.bg@juno.com for more details.

Current Financial Needs

Construction Sponsorship for 1 Home	\$35,000
Current Operating Expense per month	\$6000
Farming Supplies	\$300
Home Furnishings	\$10,000
-price per home estimate: \$5,000	
Insurance	\$7000
Irrigation System	\$4000
School Fees (2015)	\$10,800
School Uniforms (2015)	\$4800
Solar Water Heaters	\$2000

Supporting Indawo Yethemba (Place of Hope)

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CRP Directors and Officers Do Not Receive Salaries or Benefits

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

POVERTY AND HIV/AIDS ARE THE TWO MOST INFLUENTIAL FACTORS ON CHILDREN LIVING IN SOUTH AFRICA TODAY. 1 IN 5 CHILDREN ARE ORPHANS.

- BSTRUST

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Indawo Yethemba's New Additions



The Children's Resiliency Project knows that it is impossible to take care of a child for a few dollars a month. In fact, it can be somewhat expensive to raise other

people's children. Simply consider the expense involved in raising your own children. Nonetheless, it can be done. Currently, the South African government provides about \$80 per

Sponsors Needed

per month for each child who is fostered at the village. This amount is enough to cover only the basic food expense for the child. The CRP then covers the remaining expenses for each child, including housing, schooling and transportation. This amount ranges between \$70 to \$100, depending on whether the child attends school. As the village grows, more sponsors are needed to help offset these expenses. Read about each of the children living at Indawo Yethemba at www.sacrp.org and consider being a part of their lives as the CRP continues to increase the quality of life for all its abandoned and orphaned kids.

Earn a Trip to South Africa

Attention

Cyclists & Runners

You can earn a trip of a lifetime to visit Indawo Yethemba Children's Village. The CRP will reimburse cost of an economy roundtrip airfare for participants in the annual June Comrades Race (www.comrades.com), or the October Amashova (www.shova.co.za). Contact Bob Graham at sacrp.bg@juno.com.

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