

# FALL/WINTER UPDATE



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## Indawo Yethemba Children's Village

### Update



We opened our doors to our first kids seventeen years ago. Everyday seems to pass quickly these days as can be seen in these photos, taken ten years

apart. We have had several graduate from high school and another three will matric next month. A few are currently attending university. We have

also added several preschool-aged children. Life continues to move forward. As we enter the holiday season, I know several of you will give to charities, including such endeavors as a shoebox outreach. Though our kids do not receive such things, we do raise funds to help them buy clothing for Christmas. Our goal is to give each child \$50 (\$1800 total). If you would like to sponsor a gift, visit [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org) and select "Give Now."

All gifts are tax deductible.



Though other good charities exist, we like to think that ours is one of the most rewarding because donations go directly to benefit our 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.**



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## South Africa Still the Epicenter of AIDS

### CSIS



In some communities of KwaZulu Natal, South Africa, 60 percent of women have HIV. Nearly 4,500 people are newly infected every week;

one-third are adolescent girls ages 15-24. These are staggering figures. Yet, the HIV epidemic is not being treated like a crisis. In February, we

traveled to South Africa, to understand what is happening in these areas with "hyper-endemic" HIV, where prevalence rates exceed 15 percent among adults. We were alarmed by the complacency toward the rate of new infections at all levels. There is no time for business as usual from South Africa or its partners, including the U.S. government through Continued "Epicenter" p. 2

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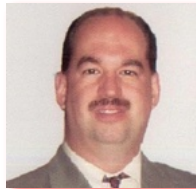
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*All Directors Are Volunteers*



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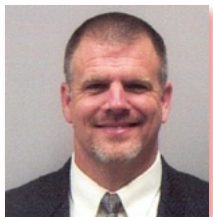
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## Jeff Riber Educational Fund

One dear friend of the project was Jeff Riber, Sr., who left this life way too early. To help with educational expenses for not only primary and secondary but also university schooling, the Riber Educational Fund was established. Current costs to educate our children is



around \$20,000 annually. This number is expected to increase as children reach post secondary levels. Consider donating by visiting [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org)

## Epicenter (continued)

The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). The epidemic is exacerbated by its concentration in 15-49-year-olds, those of reproductive and working age who are the backbone of South Africa. Without aggressive action to reduce the rate of new infections in young people, HIV will continue to take a tremendous toll on the country for years to come. Collective action is needed to push beyond the complacency to implement policies and interventions that directly target HIV prevention and treatment for young people. PEPFAR should ensure its programs support those efforts. South Africa remains the epicenter of the HIV pandemic as the largest AIDS epidemic in the world-20 percent of new HIV infections occur there too. The country also faces a high burden of tuberculosis (TB), including multi-drug resistant TB, which amplifies its HIV

epidemic. Of particular concern are South-Africa's hyper-epidemics, many in KwaZulu Natal and Mpumalanga provinces, and the concentration in specific populations like young women and girls. Of the estimated 7.2 million South Africans living with HIV, nearly 60 percent are women over the age of 15. HIV prevalence in other key populations – female sex workers, men who have sex with men, transgender women, and people who inject drugs – remains unacceptably high, in some cases double the national prevalence rate. After the early years of denial, the government now finances close to 80 percent of the HIV response, an unparalleled commitment in sub-Saharan Africa, and provides more than 4 million people with anti-retroviral treatment. In 2018, President Cyril Ramaphosa called for an increase of 2 million South Africans. More at [www.csis.org](http://www.csis.org).

## PLANNING AN AFRICAN TRIP?



Nowhere else in the world can one find so much beauty and opportunity to serve than at *Indawo Yethemba Children's Village*. 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 then spend the first part of their trip working at the

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

village. Afternoons are spent helping children with 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 doing such things as children and youth camps. The last part of the trip is generally spent seeing some of the most beautiful places in the world. Imagine a sunrise breakfast



in the African bush while seeing some of God's wonderful creations or an elephant crossing while traveling across Botswana. Perhaps, you have dreamed of walking in the in the midst of Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe or hiking the mountains of Cape Point while searching for whales. Consider forming a team today by contacting Bob at [dr.bobgraham@gmail.com](mailto:dr.bobgraham@gmail.com).

### STANDARD

Duration: 8-12 Days

Travellers: 6 - 25

Includes Kruger National Park  
Cost: \$800

### EXPERIENCE SOUTH AFRICA

Duration: 10 - 12 Days

Travellers: 6 - 10

Includes Kruger National Park  
and Cape Town  
Cost: \$1300

### EXPERIENCE SOUTHERN AFRICAN

Duration: 12 - 14 Days

Travellers: 6 - 10

Includes Chobe (Botswana),  
Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe),  
Kruger National Park and  
Cape Town (South Africa)  
Cost: \$3,200

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

## Operating Budget



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 \$9091 per month to reach its current

yearly operating expense of \$109,100. Caregivers do receive \$2,600 per month from social development to help cover the

cost of food. All other expenses are covered by gifts of friends and family. Online donations at [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org)

### CRP'S BASIC OPERATING COSTS

Expense	Monthly	Yearly	Once Off
Caregivers' Supplement	\$600	\$7,200	
Food	\$2,500	\$30,000	
Insurance	\$542	\$6,500	
Maintenance	\$583	\$7,000	
Renovations	\$500	\$6,000	
Education	\$1,500	\$18,000	
Transportation	\$1200	\$14,400	
Utilities	\$1500	\$15000	
Vehicle Maintenance	\$416	\$5,000	
Activity Center			\$4,000
Home Sponsorship			\$35,000
Christmas for Our Kids			\$1,800

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

## Supporting Indawo Yethemba (Place of Hope)

### Mailing Address:

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Jacksonville, Florida 32216

#### South Africa

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Online Donations at [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org) (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. It has been several years since we hosting a runner and would love to host other runners soon. Visit [www.comrades.com](http://www.comrades.com) for more information. If you are a cyclist, the Amashova Durban Classic takes place in October. It is a 106-kilometer (66 miles) race from Pietermaritzburg to Durban. For more information about the race, visit [www.shova.co.za](http://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](http://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](mailto:dr.bobgraham@gmail.com).



Amashova Durban Classic