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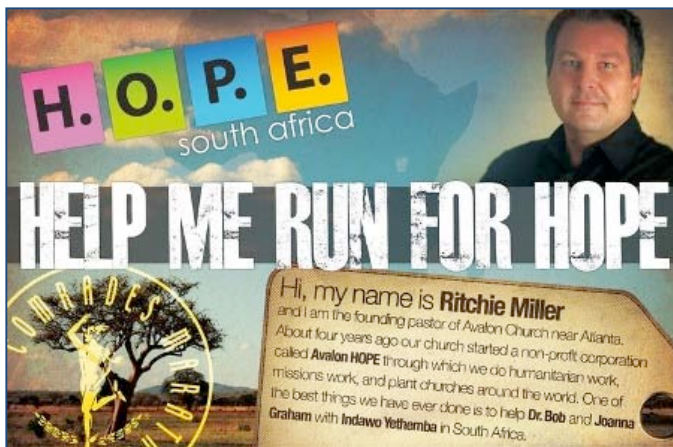
CHILDREN'S RESILIENCY PROJECT

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Africa's Comrades Ultramarathon May 29th

Ritchie Miller will run 89km(56m) to help CRP add 18 new orphans!



Sponsor Ritchie at www.sacrp.org or www.avalonhope.net

You get 12 hours and 12 hours only to finish. If you don't finish when the 12-hour gun goes off, you never existed. EliteFeet.com

Hi, my name is Ritchie Miller and I am the founding pastor of Avalon Church near Atlanta. About four years ago, our church started a non-profit corporation called Avalon

HOPE through which we do humanitarian work, mission work, and church planting around the world. One of the best things we have ever done is help Dr. Bob and Joanna Graham with Indawo Yethemba in South Africa. Indawo Yethemba means "place of hope" in Zulu.

HIV and AIDS in South Africa



Grandmothers: South Africa's Greatest Resource

South Africa has the highest number of AIDS infections on the planet,

according to a new UNAIDS report. But why is South Africa struggling worse than much poorer countries such as Kenya or Zimbabwe, which are having more success in slowing the spread of the virus? The answer can be complex according to Eduard Grebe, University of Cape Town: First, in managing the epidemic, political will and

Just a few years ago God led Bob and Joanna to start this children's village for AIDS-affected orphans. Their vision was to provide a place of hope that would transform lives and produce leaders to reach the next generation in South Africa. Let me tell you about one little girl whom I believe personifies their vision: Sizakele (pronounced like "Sissy Kelly") was a nine-year-old girl who had (continued – see "Comrades")



Sizakele: Another Life Changed at Indawo Yethemba

How Things Got So Bad

leadership are just as important as good infrastructure and resources. Our national response has been characterized by severe neglect of the issue during the latter years or apartheid, a focus on other national priorities during the Mandela presidency and outright denial during the Mbeki presidency. (continued – see "Key Mistakes")

Dear Friends,



Currently, our family is in the United States as we await our second daughter Julie's graduation from the University of North Florida. While we are here, we are hoping to find more individuals, churches and businesses to join our cause. Because we wish to expand by building another children's village, we must raise enough funds to build houses to accommodate 18 more children at the Ashburton location. A great way to help and encourage us is to sponsor Pastor Ritchie's "Run for Hope." 100% of funds will be used to build homes. Also, remember all donations are tax deductible.

Gazi Abantwana Izinyawo

Bob

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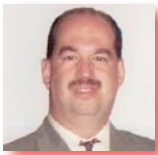


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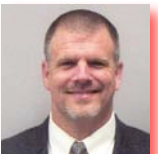
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Child Profile "Asizwe Zondi"

Asizwe Zondi was born March 9, 2009 in the Nsunduzi District of KwaZulu Natal Province. He arrived at *Indawo Yethemba* in March 2010. His mother, who was HIV-positive, attempted to have an abortion while she was pregnant; however, the clinic would not allow it. Shortly after he was born, she abandoned him outside a local tavern. She then committed suicide. Child welfare brought him to the children's village, where he now lives with Leah Dube's



family of orphaned children. When he arrived, he was malnourished and needing a great deal of medical help. Now, he is a bright, strong young boy, who loves his new granny. Sponsor this child or another child at www.sacrp.org.



Key Mistakes

An estimated 5.5 million South Africans are HIV-positive. In addition, Ann Veneman, a senior UN official said that the country appears to be ignoring the 100,000 children born every year with HIV infection. "This is unacceptable. The child really has been in some ways forgotten." President Thabo Mbeki and Health Minister Manto Tshabalala-Msimang have come under severe criticism of their rejection of the scientific consensus that HIV causes AIDS. A key mistake was their alienation of allies. According to Grebe, during Mbeki's presidency, the government had a lack of seriousness about prevention and the way in which health system's human and physical infrastructure has been allowed to deteriorate. "However, before condemning the Department of Health too harshly, we must recognize that both of these are serious challenges, the solutions to which are by

South Africa: The Facts	
HIV/AIDS Victims	5,600,000
Adult Prevalence (14-59)	17.8%
Women with HIV/AIDS	3,300,000
Children with HIV/AIDS	330,000
AIDS Deaths	310,000
AIDS-related Orphans	1,900,000
Source: AVERT.org	

no means obvious," he said. "Even with strong leadership from government and a unified front, the challenge would be great, and success not assured. But without it, failure is assured. This is why the dismissal of former Deputy Minister Madlala-Routledge was so disappointing. She had succeeded in building a new unity among all sectors around the new National Strategic Plan and her dismissal seems to indicate a return to fractious approach of the past." Grebe said. He later points to the fact that South Africa can be helped as a new strategic plan is being implemented. More information available at www.health24.com (search "AIDS in South Africa").

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CRP's New Campaign: Child Sponsorships



What better way to become personally involved with *Indawo Yethemba's* children than to sponsor one of these beautiful kids! Though it is somewhat difficult to

determine exact costs to provide all needs of each child living at the village, between \$80 - \$120 per month is a good estimate based on current expense reports. Basically, for each child we add, total operating expenses increase by about \$1400 a year. We encourage each friend of the project to sponsor a child. Although any amount is appreciated each month, a sponsor donating at least

\$25 per month will receive an 8' x 10' portrait containing a brief bio of the child. God has richly blessed us with these wonderful children. You can also be intimately involved. Simply follow these steps:
 1. Visit www.sacrp.org,
 2. Locate a child,
 3. Select "Please Give Now,"
 4. Choose "Sponsor a Child," (Categories & Funds),
 5. Provide Amount,
 6. Provide Child's Name (Comments).



A HUGE THANK-YOU Isaiah Porter (pictured here with Andiswa Ngubane) has been serving as a volunteer at *Indawo Yethemba* while the Graham family has been in the United States. The grandmothers and children have grown to love and appreciate his help during this time.

Sponsorship Blessings: The Kite Family Perspective



What a thrill it has been for us to be a part of Tshwarelo Zikali's precious life. We

have been so blessed – not in a tangible way, but knowing that we are pleasing God by ministering to this child has a great intrinsic value to our family. Jesus tells us that if we minister to the least of these, we minister to him. We encourage you

to become a part of these children's lives.

Tim, Heather and Christabel



LOVE HAS THE HANDS TO HELP OTHERS, THE FEET TO HASTEN TO THE POOR AND NEEDY, THE EYES TO SEE MISERY AND WANT AND THE EARS TO HEAR THE SIGNS AND SORROWS OF HUMANKIND.
 SAINT AUGUSTINE

Current Financial Needs

Solar Water Heaters	\$2000
Construction for 3 Homes	\$105,000
-price per home estimate: \$35,000	
Furnishings	\$15,000
-price per home estimate: \$5,000	
Current Operating Expense per month	\$2800
Insurance	\$5000
Irrigation System	\$4000
Roof Repair	\$400

Supporting *Indawo Yethemba* (Place of Hope)

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Online Donations at 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

Join Our Cause On





Three More Homes for 18 Children Are Needed

been **orphaned and abandoned**. She was raising her three younger brothers by herself, and had never attended school. Now, because of **Indawo Yethemba**, she and her brothers have a place to live and food in their bellies. They also attend school, go

to church every Sunday and have been adopted into a loving family. For the first time in her life, she has hope. There are tens of thousands of children just like her who need your help. I have decided to do something about the

situation. I plan to run the **Comrades Ultra-Marathon** in Durban, South Africa on May 29, 2011, an 89 kilometer (56 miles) race. I need you to help me run for children like **Sizakele**. You don't have to put on running shoes to help, though, because I am doing all the hard part. **I need 1000 people**, just like you, who will support me for just **\$1 a kilometer**. If we get 1000 people to donate, we will be able to build three more new homes for children at the Ashburton location.

You can write a check to either Avalon HOPE (1467 HWY 20 West, McDonough, GA 30253) or the Children's Resiliency Project (5520



Some 15,000 People Compete in the annual Comrades Race

University Blvd. W., Jacksonville, Florida 32216) or securely donate online at www.avalonhope.net or www.sacrp.org. Whether you are able to donate more than we are asking or less, all gifts are greatly needed and appreciated. Remember that project only has volunteers; thus, 100% of donations go to helping the grannies and children at the orphan village and are tax deductible.

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