

George Newsletter

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"All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children." – Isaiah 54:13

Greetings in the name of Jesus dear friends, family and partners

We have some amazing news and updates to share with you from Life Community Services. Please know that your continued support has made, and continues to have a significant impact on the lives of those we serve.

Buildings
We are filled with gratitude to Build It Mossel Bay and Outdushoorn for their generous donation of building materials to complete our Happy Feet renovations and extension. With their support, we were able to complete our Happy Feet classrooms. Additionally, Build It George has contributed greatly by renovating a container into an office space at the Life Village. Once we connect electricity and sewage, we can move into the space. We'll organize a fundraiser to make this part of the project a reality.

Winter Kinders! (Winter Children)
The Lord has once again shown His faithfulness! We want to express our deepest gratitude to Eden Gemeente for their immeasurable generosity. This journey of many years has been nothing short of amazing. Under Dreyer's leadership, the Winter Kinders program was an absolute blessing. Despite our prayers for good weather, the Lord went above and beyond by providing a perfect day. Our team from Life Community Services showed up with enthusiasm, and the entire day went without a hitch. The worship led by Warradia and Denzel was powerful, and Wian delivered a thought-provoking message that captivated the children. We are truly grateful to the Lord, the Eden Team, and our Life Team for making this event a resounding success.

Easter Holiday Club:
Our Easter Holiday Club was a truly remarkable and anointed experience. The Holy Spirit moved mightily among our kids, and every aspect of the program, from worship to art, games, and small group discussions, pointed to the eternal plan and the incredible work Jesus accomplished for our redemption. We are now focused on following up with the children, eager to see a bountiful harvest of souls for the Lord. The communion service with the children added a profound sense of reverence and anticipation for more encounters with Jesus. A massive thank you to our amazing staff and volunteers who poured their commitment and hard work into making this Holiday Club a life-changing experience. Your enthusiasm and grace were evident, and the joy of the Lord radiated through all you did. Thank you, Jesus, for revealing yourself to our children.

Ministry Centres:
For the past 22 years, our ministry at the centres has remained steadfast. Our goal has always been to teach children about the Lord, lead them into a relationship with Christ, and provide them with an anchor for life. We continue to teach them the importance of worship, prayer, and meeting their physical needs. Our vision remains unchanged unless the Lord directs otherwise.

LCA, HAPPY FEET and Donors:
Under the leadership of Cindy Nortje at LCA and Hannelie Ferreira at Happy Feet, we have found joy and synergy between the two schools.



Winter Children (Kinders) And Easter Holiday Club Denzel doing small groups at the Easter Holiday Club

Many children gave their lives to the Lord. Discipleship is imperative. Rain jackets given by Eden Gemeente (Church) for Winterkinders. A couple hundred jackets, blankets and gloves were given to our precious kids. Eden certainly knew what weather was coming for George.



It was time for our annual Mini-Olympics but with all the rain we had nowhere to run. Ms Hanna and her team came with a brilliant plan: Indoors Olympics– What a winner! Staff, children and parents participated! We are, however, sad to announce that Hanna took a position overseas and she left the middle of the month. We are sad to see her go but wish her all that the Lord has for her.

Our hearts are filled with joy as we recently welcomed an amazing team of 15 volunteers from Shoreline Church in the USA. This wonderful team, partnering with Kids Around the World, came together to build a state of the art playground at LCA at the Village.

Can you imagine the impact this playground will have on the children in our community? Many of them have been missing out on being kids due to the sad reality of violence and vandalism. Thanks to our wonderful volunteers, they'll now have a safe space to play.

These amazing friends showed us true resilience. Despite facing heavy rain, they persevered for three whole days, never giving up on their mission. Our staff members who lent a helping hand were truly inspired by their never-give-up attitude.

Finally, after all the hard work, the rain lit up and on the day of the grand opening, we had a bit of sunshine. It was perfect timing! Our kids, in the midst of their June exams, were able to squeeze in some playtime on the brand-new playground. Cindy (Principal) had to inform the children's parents that all the children are mud-covered due to testing out their new playground. The smiles on their face spoke of pure joy!

Created for More:

We had the absolute joy and privilege of hosting a team from Cornerstone Church in Bluffton, South Carolina, USA, for our Winter Holiday Club. They came fully prepared and led the club with a powerful theme: "Created for More." The impact they made will only be truly measured in eternity. Travis Velder, a talented and humble worship leader, guided the children in understanding worship and experiencing the presence of the Lord. Corrie captivated the children with her masterful storytelling of Bible stories every day. Amy Velder and the rest of the team brought art activities, crafts, engineering projects, games, and small group discussions.

Our kitchen prepared amazing meals, providing the children with nutritious food. We witnessed many children taking a stand for Christ, and we will be implementing a discipleship program to help them navigate the challenges they face in their communities. The tangible presence of the Lord was evident in every aspect of the program, and the children will forever remember the memory verse, Ephesians 3:20-21. Many children also received clothing, which allowed them to leave without self-consciousness. Our Life team led the rotations with the children, guided them through activities, provided support, and ensured their safe return home. Every person involved played a crucial role, and we are immensely grateful for their love for the Lord, dedication and hard work.

The Blessing BUILDERS from California–

Thank you for blessing us with this gift!



We want to share a special story about an anonymous lady whose friend is terminally ill in Germany. She decided to give a sum of money to LCS, and her friend delivered the cash. This generous gift enabled us to purchase curriculum books for our children. We are continually humbled by the kindness of people.



The Team from Cornerstone Church Bluffton who taught us that we have been Created for more.



This term has had it challenges but also numerous blessings and unspeakable "joy" times. I was blessed to have some of our children, Merissa, John and Larissa, Jamie, Aaron, Dane, plus precious true friends and colleagues (who are also friends) at my 70th Birthday in May. What a gift and a highlight in my life. Philip left in June to work in the USA as a Market Place Chaplain. This has left a gap and also a sadness that we are not together for now.



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