



Emmanuel's Wish Foundation

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We are a Christian organization called
to reach out to impoverished people
everywhere.

Our first objective is to provide care
and community development
to needy people groups.

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Siyathemba
(see ya tem ba)

“We have Hope”
Children's Centre

Help us ...
reach out with
HOPE



In the Beginning:

When Christine Eisses first saw the plight of those in South Africa who were dying with AIDS, she could not believe the horrific and repulsive conditions she was seeing. Emmanuel's Wish Foundation (EWF) then built and now operates a hospice to care for those who are afflicted with AIDS. It was a necessary response. The miracle was that many (about 45%) started to get better and return home to a normal life. The sad and unignorable part was the need to care for those who cannot care for themselves, but are left behind to do so.

The Reason:

AIDS is still a **killer** in South Africa. South Africa continues to be the epicentre of the global pandemic. Sub-Saharan Africa is home to: 67% of all people living with HIV/AIDS worldwide, 71% of AIDS-related deaths, and 91% of all new HIV infections among children.

This is reaping havoc on every social and economic front. At its very core, the base of society --the family-- is being left in the hands of teenagers and young children. Due to misinformation and bad spiritual guidance, the cycle of infection is escalated rather than deterred or halted. The results are disastrous and the need for help and HOPE are enormous. Please help us bring hope, if not to all, then at least a few.

The Project:

To build a home for children who have lost their parents to AIDS and have nowhere to go. While housing these children in this new home, we will look for relatives that wish to care for the children. Then when necessary, an adoptive family will be sought. Lastly, if that also does not work out, then the child will be placed in one of EWF's permanent foster care homes.

The Team:

We have a team of 10 individuals from Ontario who have agreed to take on this project for us. We have a nice, diverse team of business owners, tradespeople and professionals. These individuals will be spending two weeks in South Africa, building a home to assist EWF care for the abandoned, abused and orphaned children in Richmond. This team is fundraising the cost of building materials, ~\$25,000.00~ and then going to see first-hand the need in this village. This team will see the travesty that this community is faced with everyday. They will take time to make new friends, minister to people in need and to get a good understanding of what EWF does on a daily basis. The team will work alongside some locals in building the Siyathemba (see ya tem ba) Children's Centre.

EWF is so thankful to have partners willing to join us and to help us meet the needs of more people. To take on the cause of the orphaned child is very important; there is no one more vulnerable. Please join with us in supporting them as they go forward.



Siyathemba:

Siyathemba is the name of a very special young boy who passed away in Emmanuel's Wish AIDS Hospice. He was 10 years old and died of AIDS related complications. He was the first child ever lost at the hospice and it broke many hearts. His parents had died beforehand and he was left alone. He was loved and cared for by EWF staff and as a memorial to him, they will be naming the home after him. Siyathemba actually means...We have hope -- how cool is that???