



# Lungisani Indlela

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## LUNGISANI INDLELA HEADS FOR LONDON!

*By Tich & Joan Smith* - We had the privilege of spending Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> June at Soul Survivor Watford Church near London, with good friends Mike Pilavachi and David Westlake.

We showed the DVD of the Lungisani Indlela projects in Amaoti and Mike & David interviewed us during their two services. As usual, Mike expounded lavishly on the work Lungisani Indlela is doing in Amaoti and Tich made himself and everyone else cry as he spoke about the love God has placed in our hearts for the people of Amaoti and the devastation in the lives of so many due to the aids pandemic and high unemployment.

After the service they collected over R90,000 donated by their congregation! What a blessing! Thank

you Soul Survivor Watford.

Soul Survivor Ministries have opened the door for us to receive financial donations in the UK, whilst they assists us in setting up a registered NPO / charity in the UK.

If you live in the UK you can now send funds to Soul Survivor Ministries (The banking details are Account name: Soul Survivor / Bank: Lloyds TSB, Chesham branch, 79 High Street, Chesham, Bucks, HP5 1BE, UK / Sort code: 30-12-10 / Account No: 0003 2382).

Please mark your transfer clearly: 'Amaoti' and your name. In order to keep in direct contact with you and assist us with our administration we will need you to email your name, contact and deposit details to [admin@lungisani-indlela.org.za](mailto:admin@lungisani-indlela.org.za). If you

wish to allocate your funds to a specific project within Lungisani Indlela please mention this in your email, i.e. general fund; feeding; Back-to-School child sponsorship; crèche development; foster homes, etc.

We also made contact with a group of young South Africans living in London who are keen to support us; they are kicking off the UK project with a golf day next month. Our vision is to encourage all South Africans who are working overseas not to forget the plight of the children back home and partner us and others.

Together we can make a huge difference and turn the tide... May the Lord Jesus bless all of you who so generously support us in so many ways. We thank you.

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL REPORT

*By Judy Carter* - Lots of exciting things have been happening at the schools as it is the time for excursions. We have had children going on various outings ranging from Animal Farms, Science Centers to Movies. Fourteen of our grade 7 children from Brookdale Primary have been chosen to go to the Drakensberg on a Leadership Development course for 3 days. These children were chosen on the basis of behavior and school achievement. We are very proud of them.

The Trackathon at Gateway Center was well publicised and we were invited to take some of our children to receive a free tracksuit. They were also given free entry into the Science Centre where they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Their photos appeared in the Gateway Gazette.

We have a huge demand for assistance for needy children to go

onto our program. School Principals and Teachers are approaching us besides the local Amaoti neighbours and grannies. Each case when we investigate is in such dire straits, one wonders how they manage to survive and they are so grateful when we are able to help the children.

We still need many more sponsors, each and every sponsor is very special and precious to us and the children. When we see them at school doing their best, getting involved in the various activities, eating, laughing and generally being happy, it gives one such a feeling of great joy. **A big 'Thank You' to all our sponsors for such a great gift.**

*A short description of the living situation of one of our children:*

Nonkanyiso Mjobo is 17 years old and in grade 9 at Lenarea Secondary. She only has sight in one eye after being accidentally poked with scissors

last year. She is the eldest of five children with a very sick mother who is unable to even get out of bed. They live in one room. None of them have identity documents, so they have no income or grants whatsoever.

Nonkanyiso looks for work in Phoenix on a daily basis instead of going to school. We have arranged to send her back to school,

provide home based care for her sick mother and provide the family with food. We intend helping them to obtain birth certificates and I/D's to enable them to apply for government grants.



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**CHILD OF THE MONTH:**

Africa Ndongyela (male)



School: Amaoti I  
Grade: 6A, 13 years old  
His mother had a stroke recently and has no income, they are living in appalling conditions. In the spirit of "Ubuntu" Maxwell and his wife, who do sewing for us, have offered to take them into their home in Amaoti!

**More than 80 of our children still need sponsors! (R80 pm)**

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## CRECHE DEVELOPMENT

By *Renske Fitzjohn* - The work among the crèches and pre-schools in Amaoti has exploded this year. Instead of working with 8 local crèches we are now supporting 19 crèches in various ways. Several new initiatives have contributed to this growth.

Firstly, Thembi Cele, head teacher of our own Lungisani Indlela crèche, was appointed to assess and train local crèches. Thembi has been the driving force behind the success of the Lungisani Indlela crèche, based at Peniel Church in Phoenix, for the last few years. We felt her experience and example would be an immense inspiration and help to the crèches in Amaoti that are struggling because of a lack in training, funding and materials.

Secondly, we started a partnership programme with crèches. No longer are we simply giving hand outs, but we now expect quality of teaching and care in return. Each month we



Crèche teachers attending the workshop

meet with the teachers of the crèches and have a workshop. We invite experts to speak on different subjects, and we go through the teaching theme of the month. At the workshops the teachers receive

cleaning material, a teaching manual focusing on the theme of the month and relevant worksheets for the children. The improvement in the crèches since the start of this program has been very encouraging to us. We've also seen a huge improvement in the health of the children of the 9 new crèches that we have been feeding since February.

Some other exciting developments within the Creche Development programme: the extension of Pinky's crèche, which has been made possible through Anna Marte Haarberg, one of our most faithful overseas sponsors; KPMG has generously sponsored a much needed extra classroom at Siyakujabulela crèche. The building has started and we can't wait to see the end result!

## SOUP KITCHEN

By *Theo Brown* - We are very excited about our new Soup Kitchen at Brookdale Secondary School. This school kindly donated their home economics class room to us and we've been cooking four big pots of soup each day since the beginning of February.

We started off with two volunteers. Now we have three different ladies each day prepare the soup. At the beginning the ladies grated each carrot, potato and onion by hand which took hours! Thankfully, with the financial help from sponsors we have recently purchased an industrial

vegetable cutter, which speeds up the whole process immensely.

We make a very healthy thick vegetable soup filled with carrots, spinach, potatoes, cabbage, butternut and onions. The base is a soup mix of lentils, split peas and barley.

We continue to receive soup mix from the USA through Container Ministries, which is a great blessing.

The soup goes to nine different crèches in Amaoti and our After Care project feeding over 500 children. There are many more crèches and

(high) school children that need our soup.



First pot of soup in our own soup kitchen!

## THANK YOU & NEEDS

God has been so good to the community of Amaoti by providing through the following people:

- Leslie & John Slater
- P. Hurst
- D. Schmidt
- L. Boxhall-Smith
- Ennis Pepper
- Kamla Govender
- Amy Weare
- Benylin

**Highlights:**

- Container Ministry giving us soup mix and mealie meal
- Our growing relationship with Nedbank who assist with Holiday Clubs, donations of clothing and blankets .
- KPMG for their donation to build an extra classroom for Siyakujabulela crèche
- Anna Marte Haarberg for her donation enabling us to buy the vegetable cutter and extend Pinky's crèche.

**Needs:**

- General funds
- Stoves
- Vegetables for soup
- Morvite or Porridge
- Kiddies furniture
- Toys / stuffed animals
- Creative arts material
- Fabric for sewing projects
- Blankets and bed linen
- Children's clothes
- Off cuts of wood for our wood workshop
- Child sponsorships at R80 pm per child