

Joshua Project News

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Our story continues...



WHAT ARE WE DOING AT JOSHUA PROJECT?

We **nurture** vulnerable children and youth by providing them with physical and emotional care.

We **educate** and provide skills development opportunities.

We **mentor** and **disciple** through various activities

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Unconditional love for vulnerable children - working with what we have -hope - God's favour & guidance

As we reflect on 2016, we give God all the honour for what was achieved at Joshua Project. We experienced tough times which called for tough decisions and sad times of having to say goodbye to old faces, but also welcoming new faces in return.

We ended on a very blessed, high note. One thing remained the same throughout the year and that is that we at the Joshua Project work as a team with God as our Leader and the children as the center.

Through actively partnering with others and building intentional relationships we believe we were obedient to what God called us to do. We served and supported the many vulnerable children and youth who dropped in and out in 2016 and developed our community from the inside out.

Ora et Labora!

Latin for Pray and work! The one can not go without the other. We need to pray a lot but we also need to work a lot. So for Joshua Project 2017 the vision is "**Ora et Labora!**" We start 2017 off with a strong AET program for the children three days a week. This immediately gives our program almost school status. Our vision is to help children get back to school or into the work place. Education is key in our program with the focus on the good news of salvation through faith in Christ. Thank you team members, Jeffreys Bay community and the church for your involvement!

Kom ons maak ons motto: "Bid en werk"

Willie Oosthuizen

Train up a child in the way they should go... but be sure you go that way yourself... Charles

Spurgeon

Community Market Fun Day



19 November 2016

A successful year drew to an end and was celebrated with our first Community Market and Family Fun Day. A Big thank you goes out to **EVERYONE** who was involved whether a vendor, organization, volunteer or patron.

We had the opportunity to invite the children with their parents/guardians as well as the community at large to be part of this fun-filled day!

This edition will focus on Educational and Skills Training offered at Joshua Project in 2016



Jeffreys Bay Education

Our main focus areas are to provide **educational support** and **skills development opportunities** to vulnerable children and youth.

The tools we utilise to do this include:

⇒ **AET program** - a multi-media educational program used to facilitate learning in the two foundational learning areas of communication and mathematical literacy. This allows learners to achieve an NQF1 certificate in these learning areas as well as acquire computer literacy skills.

⇒ **Homework support** - we provide one-on-one assistance with homework and school projects. We make use of the Math Zone program which follows the public school curriculum from Grade 1-7 to assist learners to achieve the maximum output.



Our AET Programmes are Accredited through Media Works



Humansdorp Education

Our next Project is to have a facility in Humansdorp:

Please pray with us that we can make this possible for vulnerable children in Humansdorp. We already have space for a container and an established program with 15 children. But we seriously are in need of a classroom/kitchen/bathroom to be able to serve these children.

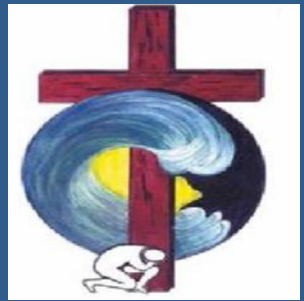
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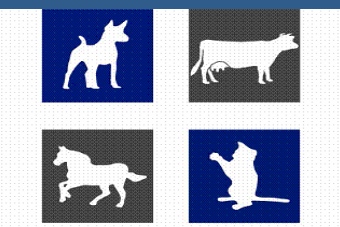
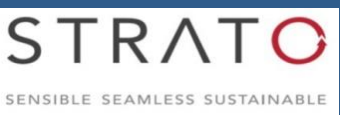
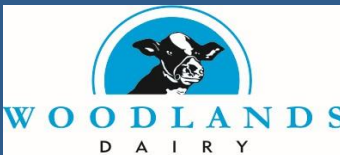
Step 2: We have the location



Step 3: We need Containers and assistance



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News Flash

The Department of Education has launched a Second Chance / Amended Certificate. For more information please see: www.education.gov.za Second chance programme

Making your Education a Success



Keanu Horn has been part of Joshua Project's Sponsor a Child Program since he went to GLA high school and has now successfully matriculated with multiple distinctions. He is also the first sponsored learner off to Varsity!!! He is currently being sponsored to study music at NMMU.

All learners who are considered for Sponsorship at Joshua Project are required to submit and drive their motivation to be sponsored personally, and have to adhere to strict sponsorship requirements as prescribed by Joshua Project's Sponsor a Child Policy to ensure accountability - both on the part of the learner and the sponsor. All learners considered also have to regularly be part of Joshua Project's programs provided daily to assist scholars with homework and school projects. Learners whom we have a relationship with are considered for sponsorship based on their marks and their own written motivation as well as one from their parents / care-givers.

We want to thank Lunga and his team for the part they play at Joshua Project and we pray that they will grow from strength to strength. Please feel free to pay him a visit and to see how he can add creative arts to your business.



Work 4 a Living....

Working to a Standard of Excellence with Excellent Work Ethic

A non-profit employment center opened at Joshua Project this year where Jaycee Compaan – du Toit and Benjamin Klaas assist the unemployed to learn how to find employment and work to a standard of excellence. The Center not only trains and assists students to find employment, but also to lead the students to find Jesus and through the help of the center, they are slotted into a Church. We have had a number of students making a commitment to our Lord. We have also had numerous businesses that partnered up with us which makes the center a mutually beneficial employment agency. We invite all businesses who have a high staff turnover to contact us. We will do our best to ensure that you get a staff member that works to a standard of excellence together with excellent work ethic.

Olivia wrote: "... The course has changed my life completely. It has taught me to let go of the poverty mindset and stand up and look for a job in the correct way by personally dropping CV's everywhere and every day...."



Zanele Mlangeni obtained a permanent job at Ackermans after completing her Work Readiness Program. We trust that the skills that you have developed at Work 4 a Living will take you from strength to strength.

Rheda attended his Phase 1 at Work 4 a Living in September and successfully applied for a position that he could only dream about. He is now employed as a carpenter. Congratulations Rheda!

A quote from Victor van Dyk, Rheda's employer: "I will only employ staff through Work 4 a Living even if we have to wait 2 months to find the perfect employee".





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...We are a Community Resource and Training Centre

Who is vulnerable?

Those in need of special care, support or protection because of age, disability or risk of abuse or neglect

How do we see our community?

⇒ People are assets

⇒ Everyone has value and a purpose

⇒ Vulnerable people aren't problems that need to be solved

How do we serve our community?

We provide:

⇒ Psychosocial support (Addressing emotional well-being and behavioural issues)

⇒ Educational support (AET, Homework support)

⇒ Skills development opportunities (workshops)

We develop our community from the inside out through:

⇒ Intentional relationships

⇒ Actively partnering with other like-minded organizations

⇒ Focussing on solutions and opportunities, not problems

We address 3 poverties:

1. Poverty of spirit

2. Poverty of mind

3. Poverty of body

By focussing on the poverty of the spirit and mind - poverty of the body takes care of itself!



Joshua Project would appreciate assistance with the following...

Your prayers!

- For these children exposed to physical, mental and emotional abuse
- Against human trafficking of our children and youth
- Against the very real influences of witchcraft and gangsterism and effects of poverty
- For wisdom and good stewardship on a daily basis of the resources we are blessed with and of our time.
- Covering and protection of the children, team and property

Sponsorships

Staffing positions, educational support for team members and learners (Our Sponsor a Child/Team member program)

Laptops, PC's, Cell Phones and Video Player

Any used laptops and cell phones would be most welcome

Projector Screen

For movie time and presentations

Supplies and incentives for kids' crafts and game activities

Sweets, chips, chocolates, kids movies, PS2 consol & games, etc.

Groceries

Tinned fish, meat, potatoes, rice, pasta, soup, coffee, juice, etc. as well as toiletries – spray, roll-on, soap, sanitary items for girls. Clothing and shoes.

General

Garden tools, gumboots, horse/cow manure, brick-size stones for our organic garden. For more information concerning our Organic Gardening Project please contact Telana Pieterse on 0722761505

To give is truly more blessed than to receive...

Prospective donors are welcome to contact the Joshua Project Leadership

OUR OTHER BENEFACTORS & PARTNERS

Joshua Project sincerely thanks the following for their continued support:

- New Horizon Vineyard
- Jeffreys Bay Bible Church
- Baptist Church
- Debonairs Pizza
- 3 Fat Fish Catering
- Bet-el Revival Center
- New Hope Family Ministry
- Smhart Security
- Beesland Butchery
- Oceans DVD's
- Biltong and Braai
- Engen
- Nomads Bowling Club
- Tropical Traders
- Many caring individuals - local and abroad