

"For I know the plans I have for you...to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11

Our Growing Family....









It has been just over a year since we returned from a short

time in the states, and we took in our first little guy. After what seemed like so many months of prayer, struggle, hitting roadblock after roadblock...the Lord came through! There has been no doubt that He has been in control through the whole process and all things come to fruition in His time, in hind sight it has not really been that long.

In just over a week period this month we have taken in six babies/children — 4 month, 11/2 yr old, 8 month twins with 4 yr

... Realities of growing

So...with an expanding family comes expanding needs another care giver, food, formula, nappies, electricity, etc. Most of the children that come in have not had proper food for some time and eat much to satisfy their hunger—it

is like having teenage boys in the house again!

Our ladies are wonderful loving care givers. Please pray with us for a replacement for Jabu, in January she will be leaving us to further her education.



old sister, and a 3 month old. We are now caring for ten babies and children!!!! See what happens when you pray and the Lord answers!!!

Some are here on a temporary basis (which really means it could be for any length of time) and others come with an indefinite length of time. There are mothers who are in homes to assist them in getting jobs, counseling, and rehabs so that they will be able to support and take care of their children.

We had almost all boys for so long it is fun to finally have some pink in the home!

We are thankful that they settled in quickly and are happy to be here. Please be in prayer for those that have issues that need to be addressed.

Breaking News!!!!

As this newsletter is being finished & sent off...we will be getting another little girl, 20 months old on Monday!

Our new niche seems to be filling in a void. There is a great need to care for children in short term (6 months or so) while mothers who are in shelters or homes for women are finding jobs and getting back on their feet so they will be in a position to raise their children. Cont pg 2

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Praise and Prayer

- The children/babies are coming!
- Smooth transitions for all
- Good health and strength
- Building finances
- Growing expenses with growing family
- Rental or sale of house in MN

There seems to be a bit of confusion as to where to send your contributions— It is now very simple

Make your checks out to:

Place of Hope Africa

Mailing to:

Place of Hope Africa

PO Box 1196 Alexandria, MN 56308

Auto payments available and online at www.regenerationcenter.org



We would like to thank all of you who continue to pray for us, the most important support that you can give us! We also send great appreciation to all who faithfully support us financially - none of us can survive without means to sustain our lives.

Here in South Africa we also have some monthly supporters, prayer warriors, individuals who bring us fruit & veggies, collections of toys and clothing...all of which make it possible for us to do what the Lord has laid on our hearts to do.

It never ceases to amaze us that there are still people who listen to the whisper of the Holy Spirit when there are so many in the world today who are more concerned about material things and themselves.



Breaking news

The Lord has led us to "take care of the widows and orphans in their distress" as stated in James 1:27. Some of these women are widows and some are just victims of the culture where the fathers have disappeared.. Most of these children do not have a male role model, and we hope to establish some male mentoring in the

future through our expanding contacts.

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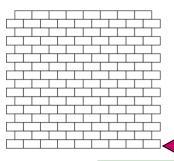
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BUILDING FUND ...



We had the privilege of attending a seminar called Adoption 101 put on by Focus on the Family and a church in the Durban area. The main focus was to get the word out about adoption and what it entails, but also personal testimonies of those who have been adopted and have adopted themselves. Most importantly for us,

connections to people who are able to help our children who are adoptable and help that is available to those who need mentoring or play therapy.

