

# PASTURE VALLEY CHILDREN'S HOME NEWSLETTER

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Psalm 20:5 "Let us shout for joy at your victory and lift the banner in the name of our God"

Greetings! How thankful we are to Jesus for all He has done. He has been so good to Pasture Valley in everything that is going on.



## ART LESSONS, FIRST AID TRAINING, MASTERCHEF COMPETITIONS- HOLIDAY FUN

This holiday the children had a range of activities to do to incorporate a bit of learning while having fun. The team arranged a week of Olympics, American football, a Baking competition with Alicia and Rachel and some first aid training and art with Claire.



## TRAINING COURSES

During the school holidays, Pasture Valley also hosted 10 caregivers at the youth house where a 3 day SHBC caregivers training course took place. At the same time, Leo Baan from Christ's Hope



came to Pasture Valley to give our teenager children from the community a 3 day course called Genesis Design. The course dealt on how choices we make affect our lives. A Preschool Teachers workshop was also held at the Education center for the 7 preschools supported .



## A TRIP TO THE CIRCUS

Peter and I took some of the Timothy house children to see the circus. The children had no idea of what a circus was and their eyes were as big as saucers when the various trapeze artists, clowns and camels came into the ring!

## VOLUNTEERING AT PASTURE VALLEY



**Meredith Miller** is currently helping out with the children and is an Art History Scholarship student from North Carolina. She has been a great help and gives weekly art lessons, and is currently designing a logo for Pasture Valley.

**John Ramos** also visited Pasture Valley and helped with general maintenance and upgrading Ekuthuleni playground.



## DEPUTY PRIME MINISTERS VISIT

We were honoured with a visit from the Deputy Prime Minister (DPM) and dignitaries. After a tour of the Children's homes, the DPM was welcomed with singing from the children.

## ADDING COLOUR TO THE PRESCHOOL

The Creche/preschool looks amazing! Hyomi did wonders by painting the alphabet and then did a "creation scene" on another wall. Meredith and Claire painted some scripture on the remaining wall. The kids love coming in and pointing at the pictures.



## BUILDING A JUNGLE GYM AND BUILDING SKILLS



Thanks to donations from various organizations, Ted Crump and some of the boys set out to build a jungle gym. This has been a great exercise for the boys to learn how to work with wood.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** \* Thankfulness for the children's school reports \* For the health of children \* Thankfulness for helping hands and support for all the children \* For wisdom with dealing with disciplinary issues and daily routine \* For safety and security of Pasture Valley and children while the McCubbin family are in Norway and USA in July. \* Thankfulness for God's provision.