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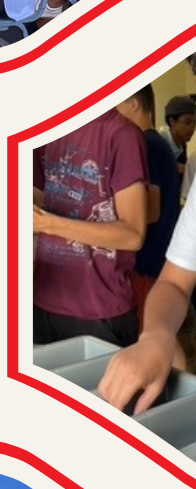
PRAYER UPDATE

LANGA SINAWE TEAM



Bongani Tshwili

My name is Bongani Tshwili, and I'm one of the Sinawe School workers piloting the Heroes for Hope program in Langa schools. This program is dedicated to addressing trauma. The two primary schools where we're currently implementing the program are home to kids who've undergone trauma. When we introduced the program to the teachers, they embraced it warmly, recognizing the significant challenges their students face at such a young age.

As we commence the 3rd term in the schools, we see the children returning from the holidays. We took a moment to reflect on our teachings, and it was heartening to learn that they remembered what we shared.

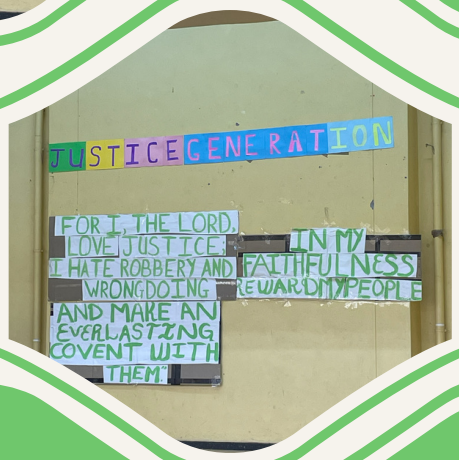
Our teaching on trauma continues, though we still grapple with the challenge of some students not behaving appropriately during our facilitation. We're entrusting God to guide us and work through us in managing these situations. The schools are struggling with student behavior; many display disinterest in learning and lack positive role models at home to encourage their education. As a result, numerous kids are dropping out of school, while others are facing academic difficulties.

Through the Heroes for Hope program, we place our faith in God to instigate a change in their behavior.

Luleka Stamper

Returning to school after the holidays is a wonderful opportunity that God has once again provided, and we're grateful that everyone has come back safely. It's heartening to witness the learners in our schools excited about our return to continue with the Heroes for Hope program. This ongoing journey with the program has illuminated how God is actively shaping me, particularly in areas where I'm in need of patience and wisdom to respond to various classroom situations that arise during our facilitation.

Navigating a classroom with 43 learners, where attentive listening is at times a challenge and disruptions can occur, has been a significant learning experience. I'm challenged to discover effective strategies to manage such instances, grasp their attention span during program delivery, and foster engagement while sharing the hope of our Lord. This process is revealing that God calls us to place our trust in Him as we lead Christian Union (CU) groups in our schools. It's teaching me to rely on Him daily through prayer and the study of His word. This journey is a constant reminder that this work is His, and He's working through us to impact and touch lives.



Prayer Request

- We ask God to grant our team wisdom on how to help these kids reach a place where they know how to behave well.
- To serve God and His purpose in the schools we are in.