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# PRAYER UPDATE

THE SINAWE TEAM



# Omega Dube

I'm Omega Dube working for scripture union as the worker of Sinawe program that works in the schools of Langa, I'm currently based in 2 schools which are Langa high and Moshesh primary school..

As the team we are busy this year implementing the program of Heroes for Hope which is also known as Arise to the grade7 learners - the whole program is about trauma, I had an opportunity to facilitate alone at Mokone primary school it was very challenging because I had to calm down the noise and run the program at the same time but I enjoyed it even though I was kinder worried if maybe the learner's will grasp what I'm teaching them since I was working alone on that day but when I came back on the following week with my colleague the learner's showed us that they did learn because they did answer the question as we were recapping.

Those learner's can be very noisy and destructive but I take that as the training for my patience.

As much as they are learning from me - I'm also learning from them by trusting whoever that is sent by God to me to teach and rebuke me..

## Prayer Requests

- financial breakthrough and focus as I'll be studying next year at Capetown baptist seminary..





# Bongani Tshwili

Scripture Union at beginning of the year placed 5 Sinawe School workers in langa primary school's to pilate the heroes for hope program. The Sinawe School workers had the opportunity to work with LO teachers and children. The Sinawe School workers received training at the beginning of the year on how to facilitate the program. Every week the Sinawe School workers were receiving supervision as they were delivering the program. The training and the supervisions really helped Sinawe School workers to be able to facilitate the program. Sinawe School workers started to grow as a team in facilitating the program. Sinawe School workers are so grateful to God for the LO teachers, when they heard about the program they bought into it. The LO teachers sacrificed their periods. The LO teachers believed that this program was needed by their children. LO teachers were aware that the children their behaviour was linked to a trauma the children suffered. LO teachers were willing to partner with an organisation like scripture union to help their children. The children also opened their hearts to the program. The children showed Sinawe School workers they were willing learn about trauma. Most of the children did not know what was trauma. The Sinawe School workers believe they were divinely used by God as a team to explain what trauma is to the children. This program has equipped the children about trauma and how to tackle it if they find themselves in one.

## Prayer Requests

- For God's provision as we are busy fundraising for the graduation of these kids who have completed this course. We have about 400 graduates. If you can support us in prayer and giving as well. We have a list of items we would love give these kids when they graduate.



# Nomveliso Mjanyelwa

Nomveliso Mjanyelwa im honoured to be part of what God is doing in Langa, I work at Zimasa Primary school.

As a child born from Langa myself i always hoped that i would see prayer brought back at schools and my greatest highlight was to witness Student Christian Organisations brought back to schools and watching these children warm up to the gospel and giving their lives to Christ is heartwarming.

It overshadows the challenge of having to quieten them down and get them to be still. The Arise program has helped me to identify new passion and abilites within me which I never thought I had, I've grown in patience,love and understanding.

I am looking forward to seeing what the future holds for these children for He who started this work is faithful

## Prayer Requests

- Please join us in prayer for strength in facing challenges and for the continued growth and transformation of these young lives. We trust in God's faithfulness for the future of these children.



# Luleka Stamper

As we are heading towards the end of the Heroes for hope program with the learners in the primary schools in Langa.

It's been a great opportunity being with the learners, their show of interest in asking questions of wanting to know and engaging with them it showed us where they are in terms of did they learn something from the program, and we have learned that they are exposed to things like( crime, violence child abuse, parents fighting in front of them, religion, ancestral worship) those things affect them because they have questions but at their homes they not given opportunity to question things because they are seen as young and their can't ask they need to take instructions only.

In every session when we do the program we firstly share scripture from the bible, it gives us an opportunity to share about God and to pray. What is great and full filling is that they would ask questions about the word we shared and about God, that gave us a great opportunity to tell them about God and how you can have a relationship with him. Then we end session for the day with prayer the learners would volunteer to close in prayer such moments are so encouraging .It gave me an opportunity to learn to be patient, they would be days when they get so excited wanting to speak at the same time, be loud and playful. And it really helped me be intentional in prayer everytime when I will be facilitating a session with them to pray first and say God give me words to speak to those lives, because when we speak they are listening and taking it.

And we continue to pray and trust God with the program.

## Prayer Requests

- Praying that the graduation for the Heroes for hope program may go well even as we are preparation.





# Bulumko Kungwayo

I work in Siyabulela primary school to be exact, there we are facilitating a program called Hero's For Hope

it is a program focusing on trauma resilience

Most of the learners are receptive & participate during the sessions.

Also those who seem to be introverts are opening up when it comes to writing on the booklets we give them. Some of the teachers do notice the positive change of attitude in some of the learners

Dealing with someone who is growing up in culture that says opening up is weakness, especially when has experienced or knows someone that was betrayed by their confidant ( family/friends/ somebody they trusted) is challenging. Disrespectful learners then again that is one of reasons we are there to support/& equip them to be better versions of themselves

Personal: Facilitating this program has taught me to be more patient. Also my prayer life has increased hence these learners are dealing with spiritual issues "war" & they don't understand it, with them we are focusing on the physical and emotional as that's they relate. Not many people are aware of that things begin in the spiritual then manifest in the physical/ natural. So I stand in the gap for them also for myself because I know I can not do any of this on my own.

## Prayer Requests

- I am grateful to God for trusting me with his children's well being. I ask for spiritual wisdom to be able to do what God expects from me, strength & courage not be overwhelmed.

