

Dear friends of the Foundation House of Encouragement

After many months, we were able to return to South Africa in mid-March and spend a lot of time at the centre in Soshanguve.

The children and care team are all doing well. Since January we welcomed 12 new orphans from Lesedi-Potlana Primary School, who are already well integrated into the big family.



A celebration of gratitude and joy!

During the school holidays, we set aside a day when the centre family wanted to express how much they appreciated being part of the community at the Lesedi-Potlana orphan care centre. For this occasion, several groups of children rehearsed dances and 7-year-old Sana even recited a poem. Everyone was joining in the song "Praise the Lord" and waving the 80 flags. It was a joyful sea of colour and the children were happy and dancing (see also the videos on our website).

To the great delight of the children, there was also ice cream à discrétion and popcorn.



In the middle is Sana, who recited a poem about "Family comes together for always and forever". The long poem explained how important it is to have a family and that you can survive any situation if you are supported by a family. This poem expressed the gratitude of the orphans for the family they all feel at the centre.

Michael, Koketso, Justin and Pachelo (from left) enthusiastically rebuilt our centre to scale. Their creativity and skill amazed us all. For example, the water tap outside the kitchen is very tiny and made of thin wire.



But our gratitude also goes to you, our dear donors, who make this work possible. Knowing that we continue to depend on your support, we thank you on behalf of all those who benefit from this help.

Warm regards,

Walter und Estelle Bosshard

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