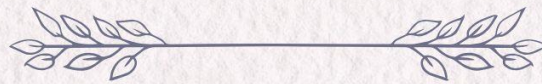




HELLO,
January



Wishing you a month filled with fresh starts,
new opportunities, and positive vibes.

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Happy New Year! A Message from Epworth Children's Village

As we step into a new year, we are filled with immense gratitude and hope. To all our supporters, we wish you a prosperous and fulfilling 2025. Your unwavering love and kindness continue to inspire us in our mission to provide a safe haven for children and to extend vital psychological services to our community.

The past December period was one of profound activity and adjustment. With the arrival of seven new children, the dynamics of our village shifted. For our little ones, Christmas is often a bittersweet time—a season that emphasizes the absence of family and the yearning for what was lost. This year, the presence of our new arrivals, many of them young and in desperate need of care, brought both joy and challenges to the fore. Our childcare staff rose to the occasion with incredible dedication, splitting into shifts to ensure the children experienced the love and joy of the season.

To our team: you are our warriors. Your willingness to sacrifice time with your own families to care for our “babies” is nothing short of heroic. You embody the spirit of Epworth—a place where love knows no bounds.

We are also deeply grateful to every person and organization who supported us over the festive season. To those who hosted parties, shared meals, spent time with our children, or provided Christmas gifts—your generosity humbled us. We are profoundly thankful for your support, which made a challenging season brighter for our children. You remind us that we are never alone in this journey.

As the new year begins, we are already preparing for the return to school. Uniform checks are underway, stationery packs are being assembled, and the children are settling back into their routines. It's a busy but exciting time as we look forward to seeing them thrive and grow. It is important for a child to belong and fit in, which is why we work so hard to ensure our children do not feel any different from others. They already face feelings of inadequacy, and your support helps bridge this gap. If you are able to assist with much-needed items, we would deeply appreciate your generosity.

How You Can Help

As our 106 Days Campaign gathers momentum, we are focused on building our Debit Order Program. This initiative ensures consistent support for critical needs like education, housing, toiletries, and clothing for our children. Even a small monthly contribution can make a world of difference. For example:

- **R100 a month** provides a child with essential toiletries and contributes to their self-esteem and dignity.
- **R200 a month** supports school supplies, helping a child succeed academically.
- **R500 a month** covers clothing and basic housing needs, offering a sense of security and belonging.

In addition to debit orders, there are other meaningful ways you can support Epworth:

- **Wishlist Contributions:** Help us fulfil essential needs in our village and houses by donating items such as toiletries, cleaning supplies, or school stationery.

- **Monthly Essentials:** Support with groceries, milk, bread, and other day-to-day necessities.
- **Seasonal Needs:** Provide items like summer clothing or medical supplies to help children thrive during different times of the year.

Your ongoing support creates stability and opportunity for the children at Epworth. To set up a debit order or learn more, please reach out to us directly or visit our website. Every contribution, no matter the size, helps us build a brighter future.

We invite you to stay connected by following our webpage and Facebook page for the latest updates and stories. If you feel moved to help in any way, please don't hesitate to reach out. Whether through time, resources, or donations, your contributions make a world of difference.

From all of us at Epworth Children's Village, we send our heartfelt love and gratitude. May 2025 be a year of blessings and abundance for you and your loved ones.

With love and appreciation,
The Epworth Children's Village Team

A special thank you for making Christmas Special :

- Alberton Methodist Church and Kidsville
- Allied Steelrode
- Bianca and Nikki
- BNT
- Community Investment Holdings
- Dynamic Cylinder
- Joy Ministries
- Karishma, family and friends
- Property Premier Co.Za
- REM – Roof Top Ministries
- Sonke Pharmaceutical:
- Sourcefin
- Waco Modular

Together, we raise a village of hope.

Current Areas of Help Needed

Grocery Needs -To keep our shelves stocked and our meals nutritious, we're in need of:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kelloggs Flakes Morvite Weetbix 2kg Soap powder Sunlight soap Toilet Duck/Domestos | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheese Spread Sandwich spread Fusion Juice 750 ml Tissues Wet wipes Globes Bayonets |
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- Other regular grocery staples (list available).

Back-to-School Project

While we've secured some supplies, we still need your support for specific items, including:

School bags

10 x Small Bags (Creche)
15 x Medium Bags (Junior)
50 x Large Bags (Senior)

Stationery

10 x Tablets
18 x Scientific calculator
100 x A4 Book covers
100 x A4 Plastic book cover
50 x A4 Subject dividers tabbed
10 x Dictionaries – English/
Afrikaans
5 x Staplers
20 x Moulding Clay
20 x Watercolour set
20 x Pastels
20 x Paint Brush Size 4 + 8
20 x Paint Brush Size 5
20 x Paint Brush Size 10

School Shoes

School uniforms

White PT takkies

Book fees

(A full list of needed items is available upon request.)

Your generosity makes a significant difference in the lives of the children at Epworth. If you can contribute or would like more details, please reach out to us. Thank you for being part of our community of care!

Updates, I encourage you to follow our Facebook page and visit our website, which remains regularly updated with the latest news and developments.

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