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## From The Team Leader

Dear friends,

Last month, myself, Gavin, Dumisani, Londeka and Gary of our AESA team members were invited to join the African Enterprise mission to Nairobi, Kenya. Our brilliant board vice-chair, Audrey, and her husband Phiwai, were also part of the mission as they directed The Signs gospel production in theatres across Nairobi!

The Nairobi mission was a great success, reaching **320,968** people with the gospel and registering **78,593** decisions for Christ, through stratified mission in 14 zones and culminating in a gospel festival at the University sports grounds! **512** mission volunteers and counsellors from all over Kenya and beyond formed the gospel army that served in Nairobi. There is always an amazing camaraderie between the mission volunteers on any AE mission, and it's a wonderful testimony when the Body of Christ comes together in this way, from various denominations and from numerous countries, to lift up the name of Jesus in our cities. This mission was no different, and you can be sure that Nairobi will never be the same!

We thank God for every life impacted through AE missions, and thank you for supporting our work! We need your help, through prayer and giving, more than ever as we go into our 3rd mission week in Durban this month (16-22 Oct). We will be working in the areas of Phoenix, Inanda, NtuZuma, and KwaMashu, and will require all the help we can get.

The words of Paul come to mind at this time... "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." - Galatians 6:9 NIV

Much love,

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## Word

### Mission News

Love Nairobi Mission and Festival

Missionaries from different countries in Africa and beyond joined African Evangelistic Enterprise (AEE) Kenya during their hosting of a citywide mission in their capital city of Nairobi, from 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Our South African team was represented by 6 delegates.

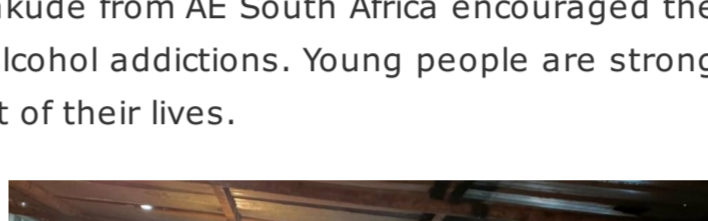
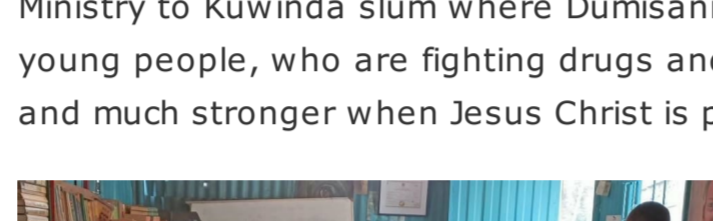
The mission week began with stratified evangelism programs in the city and its surrounding areas in partnership with various churches. These churches hosted foreign missionaries who, together with local missionaries, supported each of the local church's stratified evangelism programs. These programs included ministry to schools, Police stations, door to door, market places, breakfast and dinner events, youth meetings and many more.

Through these ministry events many came to hear the gospel message. For some a seed was sown, for others it was encouragement to keep their eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. Thousands responded to the gospel message. Here are just two highlights from the ministry team based at The Nairobi Chapel Karen.

Ministry to **Restore Physiotherapy Hospital**, where Jedidiah Thindwa (from AE Malawi) shared an encouraging sermon from the book of Romans 8: Nothing will separate us from the love of God, including our short comings and current situations. The room was filled with God's love and His presence.



Ministry to Kuwinda slum where Dumisani Fakude from AE South Africa encouraged the young people, who are fighting drugs and alcohol addictions. Young people are strong and much stronger when Jesus Christ is part of their lives.



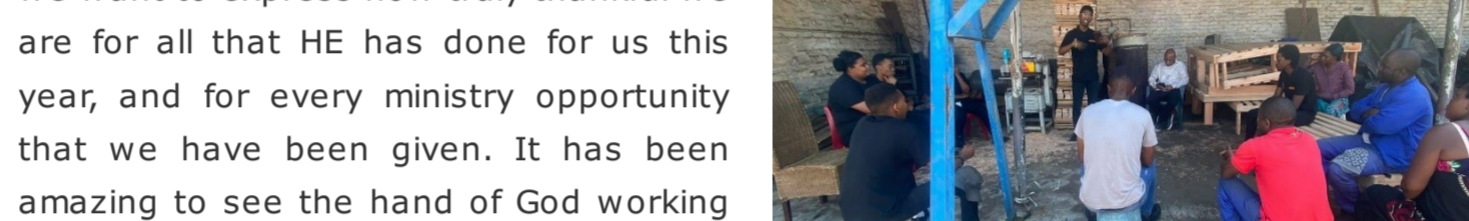
The Gospel is still relevant today and has power to change peoples' lives and livelihood. *For God so loved the world (Kenya, Nairobi, Karen) so much that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.* (John 3:16).

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### Foxfire News

Dear AE Family

Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. This month we want to express how truly thankful we are for all that HE has done for us this year, and for every ministry opportunity that we have been given. It has been amazing to see the hand of God working in all of these ministry invitations that we received.



Our country celebrated Heritage Day this month (24<sup>th</sup> September) - a day when all South Africans celebrate the rich cultural diversity that makes us the "Rainbow Nation". In this context of diversity in one nation, I would like us to reflect on the scripture 1 Corinthians 12:12-13, "Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink." As Christians it is important that we are one in Christ, we may come from different cultural backgrounds but we should not let this hinder us from being united. We have adopted a Jesus culture and have one identity which is found in Christ.



As the deadline for 2024 Foxfire Applications approaches (31<sup>st</sup> October 2023), we encourage church leaders to send their youth for the 2024 intake. We anticipate an exceptional year ahead filled with amazing opportunities.

For more information contact our Foxfire Administrator, Rachel at [rmchunu@ae.org.za](mailto:rmchunu@ae.org.za) or on 033-3471911 (option 3)

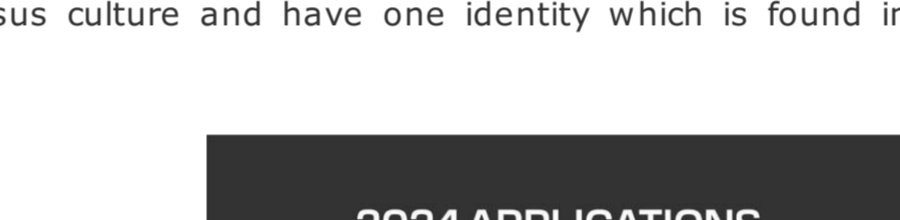
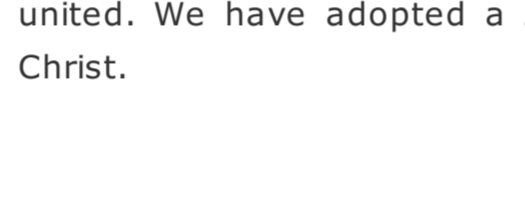


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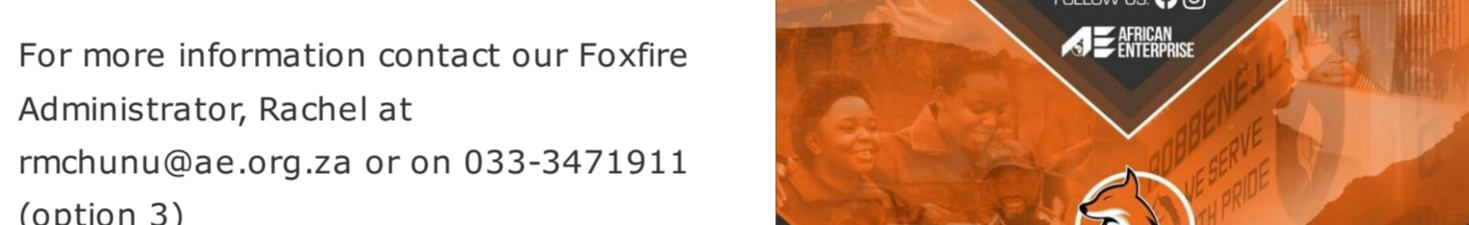
### Community Transformation News

**Ithembalomtwana Pre-School** is a community project of which AE is a founder partner and in which we continue to play an integral part. "Ithembalomtwana" is an isiZulu word which translated into English means "hope for the child".



The pre-school is administered under the competent leadership and guidance of a passionate husband and wife team, Mr. and Mrs. Nathi Chonco, together with the dedicated and compassionate service of its Educators. Three resident educators take charge of each of the three classes, Grade RRR, Grade RR and Grade R and there are 90 learners enrolled for the 2023 school year.

As a benefactor AE sponsors the services of an additional educator to attend the school once a week (Wednesdays or Fridays) to provide English literacy lessons to the learners and to minister to them through the reading of Bible stories. The learners have had an exciting outing where they went to visit the library.



Well, as much as the library could be fun, what was more exciting for the learners was what we call in isiZulu "umphako" - what is in the bags for lunch? Field trips are like Christmas, you always get the best of food to carry along, and you get to share it with your buddies.



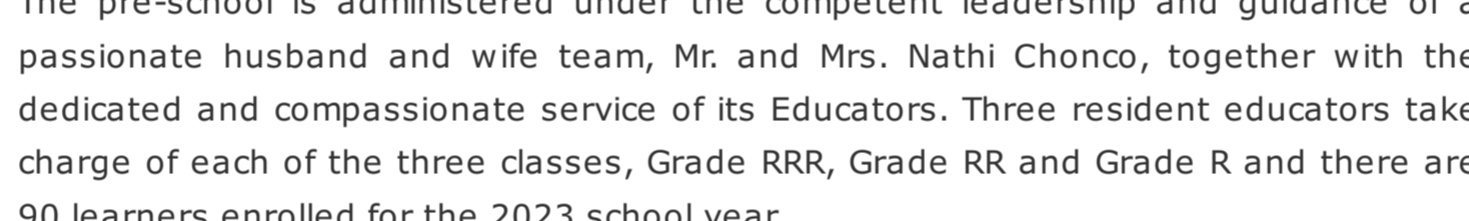
Apart from educative care with which learners are provided, the school also ensures that these young children enjoy the nourishment of two meals per day (breakfast and lunch). The conducive environment and dedicated staff make for very happy learners - which they certainly are!

We are so proud of all the amazing work that is being accomplished by the learners, educators and administrators at Ithembalomtwana Pre-school. Please keep them all in prayer as we make every attempt to equip them with a firm foundation, both in education and in faith, that will serve them well as they grow and mature, physically and spiritually.

Also, any support to renovate the school and make it a little brighter and fun for the little ones, e.g. by painting the school and their jungle gym, will be much appreciated.



As they painted old leaves bright and beautiful, it would be wonderful if their school could also be as bright and beautiful.



**"The most precious thing in this world is a smile on a child's face" -unknown**

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### Centre News

The Centre has been busy, Thami and Sthe have taken many groups on our hiking trail, which has become increasingly more popular. We have hosted a number of team building events: from Scottsville Primary School who brought two groups of roughly 50 children in each group (leaving our guys feeling rather shattered by the end), to a wonderful Church group who wanted to be challenged in their faith as well as build stronger relationship among the leadership. We also had our conference groups, including the very successful men's and ladies Emmaus Walks.

Our maintenance team has cleared the bush away from the sides of the road along Nonsuch Road, and have painted the large rocks and poles for the signboards, making them more visible (especially at night), and leaving the whole road looking much cleaner and neater.

We are working on upgrading our public toilets, have replaced the basins in our lady's toilet, and will slowly work on upgrading and fixing up the rest of it.

Martin, who attended the Emmaus Walk, said that he would like to help us fix up our lights in the Jabulani Lapa. Well, little did we know!! We were about to be blessed beyond what we could imagine. On Monday morning, Martin's team from Powcorp CC arrived at AE, and replaced all of the overhead fluorescent lights with LED strip lights, fixed the broken or damaged side light fittings and replaced all of the bulbs with LED bulbs, replaced all the lights in our main conference room, John Tooke, and the Cascades Room, as well as replaced a number of the outside spotlights with power saving LED ones. I am not sure how you say an adequate THANK YOU, but I sincerely commend Martin, Simon and his team for their professionalism, industry knowledge, helpfulness and amazingly unexpected gift of the upgrade of our lighting for The Centre.

It is just a few days before we say a very sad goodbye to Thami. He has been such a blessing to us at The Centre, and to many of you as our guests. We pray that the Lord will lead and guide him always, and I loved what he said in his resignation letter, he is leaving the job, but not this family. Go with our love and blessing Thami, and whatever you do, do well!

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