



"COMPASSION WITHOUT BORDERS"

# The Cradle of Hope

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Dear CRADLE friends

How time flies? The first quarter of 2011 has passed and so much has happened. God's blessings are endless and we are sincerely thankful. Thank you for your prayers, assistance, contributions and continued support. Without your assistance it would not be possible for us to assist so many less-fortunate persons and especially children. THANK YOU!

- **THE CRADLE – HOUSE OF RESTORATION:**

Our house for less-fortunate and abused mothers and children has since gone from strength to strength. We have made a lasting difference in the lives of so many women and children, and our success stories are making it all worthwhile.

The MAMAS & PAPAS magazine is doing an article on Michelle, one of our graduates, in the June 2011 issue, which will be on the shelves within the next 2 weeks. Be sure to buy the magazine and read Michelle's awesome testimony. Michelle was a heroin-addict that turned to prostitution to support her drug-abuse. Michelle came to stay at the CRADLE house during July 2010, and has since turned her life around. She is now a wonderful mother to Daniella, aged 2, and we are immensely proud of her.

We have many upliftment projects at the house for the residents as well as our day-visitors. We bake rusks and "crunchie-cookies" which we sell for an extra income. The ladies make and sell jewellery, as well as sewing, needlework and knitting and scrapbooking projects.

- **LIFE-COACHING:**

Justine Visser, our Life Coach (Registered with COMENSA), helps people to heal themselves, their families and their relationships. Starting June 2011, we are proud to present an **8 week facilitated personal growth workshop** (Wednesday evenings 6 – 8 pm or Saturday mornings 9 – 11 am). Should you be interested in "*starting over, re-discovering yourself, and finding your purpose*", please contact Justine on 076 232 4500. **Book now as space is limited.**

- **THE CRADLE OF HOPE - OUTREACHES:**

- a) **POMFRET outreaches:**

We undertook an outreach to POMFRET during the Easter weekend. We managed to take

food, blankets, clothing, a deep-freezer, as well as other basic necessities with us. We have started establishing a soup kitchen in the community as well, and we are very excited about this project. If you would like to become involved in our quarterly POMFRET outreaches please contact Corlien on 082 489 9769.

**b) RAKGOADI outreaches:**

Zac and Huibie have just returned from an outreach to RAKGOADI during the past weekend. We took along blankets, clothing, food and a brand new gas-stove that was donated to start a soup kitchen in the community. Currently Huibie has 30 women who attend the sewing classes. Our vegetable tunnel project is also very successful. If you would like to become involved in our monthly RAKGOADI outreaches please contact Zac on 073 814 2288.

**c) VINGERKRAAL outreaches:**

Corlien will be visiting the VINGERKRAAL community during the coming weekend, and she will be attending to the 7 children that were badly burnt during the June 2010 fire. Corlien and a couple of Occupational Therapists have been attending to the medical needs of these children and they have been equipped with pressure clothing and splints. Corlien is also in the process of arranging for the 7 children to go for plastic surgery to release the terrible contractures that are developing as a result of the severe burns that they sustained. If you can assist please contact Corlien on 082 489 9769.

**d) CORONATION PARK TENT-VILLAGE projects:**

Many of the residents of the tent-village have now received low-cost housing from the Government, and they will be moving out of the tent-village soon.

We are committed to attend to the welfare of the children living in the tent-village, and we have joined forces with Gert Jonker, CEO of the BETHANY HOUSE TRUST. The tent-village children are now receiving a cooked meal, every weekday, at the IKUSASA shelter in Von Brandis street in Krugersdorp. If you can assist with any food donations to the shelter this would be greatly appreciated. The BETHANY HOUSE TRUST has also volunteered the services of a Social Worker to attend to the needs of specifically the tent-village children. This is an answer to our prayers!! If you can assist please contact Melodie on 082 459 5747 or Gert on 082 900 7832.

**Banking details:**

**THE CRADLE OF HOPE**

**First National Bank,  
Krugersdorp Branch 250241,  
Acc no: 6218 035 2628,  
Swift Code: FIRNZAJJ**

**We are fully registered with SARS as a Public Benefit Organisation (930-027-742), in terms of the Section 18/A Income Tax Act. Should you require a Tax Certificate, please fax your deposit slip to 086 528 9917, including your contact details.**

**We are also fully registered and accredited as a LEVEL 4 contributor on the BBBEE scorecard. (Certificate is available on request.)**

We wish to thank you for your interest in our projects, and for your willingness to become involved and to help us to make a difference in the lives of the less-fortunate. We are truly grateful for any support that we get.

In order to continue with our projects we require the following on an ongoing basis:

- Groceries – food donations, toiletries and general cleaning aids are always welcomed.
- Water & electricity sponsorship of approximately R3 000-00 per month for the HOUSE OF RESTORATION is desperately required.
- Any other financial assistance will be appreciated, as we have to pay security, petrol, telephones, printing and stationery requirements, school needs for the children, etc. The list just goes on and on. Our total budget for each month is approximately R60 000-00, and debit order facilities are available. Please support us!
- Any clothing, toys, furniture etc. that you could donate would be appreciated.
- New climbing equipment for our toddlers at our in-house creche at THE CRADLE – HOUSE OF RESTORATION.
- Garden implements, seed, fertilizer etc. for our vegetable tunnel and gardening projects.
- A weed-eater for our garden at THE CRADLE – HOUSE OF RESTORATION.
- Funding ideas and the support of volunteers.

**We need YOUR help!**

**THE CRADLE OF HOPE – (011) 660-4623**

**ROCCI (ROODEPOORT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY)**  
**BRONZE AWARD WINNER – COMMUNITY SERVICES CHAMPION OF 2010**

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or

Please join our FACEBOOK “cause”: **THE CRADLE OF HOPE**

*Isaiah 54:2,3*

*“Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations:  
spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;  
For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the  
Gentiles and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.” (King James)*