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Dear friends

We would like to sincerely thank all of our friends that supported us during 2009. Without your assistance and **PRAYERS** we would not have been able to make a difference in the lives of so many people, especially in the lives of less fortunate **children**.

THE CRADLE – "House of Restoration":

The past couple of months were extremely busy and a lot of hard work and sweat went into the restoration of the house.

The house that we are restoring for less fortunate mothers and their children is quite old, and the restoration process has taken us a little longer than previously planned.

At this stage the inside of the house is approximately **90%** completed, and all the bathrooms

have been revamped and have been properly equipped. We would like to thank Conrad and his team from CD Plumbing for all the plumbing work that he sponsored, as well as Mike and Cindy from NWT Tiles for sponsoring all the tiles that we required. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

We now have to face the big work of painting the house **on the outside**. Unfortunately the house is fully plastered, and because of bad maintenance by the previous owners, it will be necessary for us to scrape off all the old paint, treat all the cracks, and the whole house will probably have to be treated with a damp sealer (Dampseal) before we will be able to start painting. Some of the outside walls are quite wet and we will not be able to start painting before we have not solved this problem. This has also caused us to extend the opening of the house with 6 – 8 weeks.

At this stage we do not have any sponsors for the painting and fixing of the outside of the house, and we therefore request all our volunteers and supporters to please assist us with this challenge.

According to a painting contractor, we will be requiring approximately **100 litres Dampseal** and **300 liters of outside paint**. The approximate **cost** of the **paint only** is approximately **R20 000-00**. The area of the walls that have to be painted is approximately 750 square meters.

We have already purchased the paint for the roof at a cost of R15 000-00 and we will probably be finished with the painting and fixing of the roof by the middle of March.

If possible we would like to paint the outside of the house during March/April, so that we can open on 1 May 2010, at the very latest.

IMMEDIATE NEEDS:

- Assistance with the payment or the sponsoring of the paint – **approx. R35 000-00**.
- We require the services of an electrician so that the final electrical work can be completed.
- A couple of rooms are still available in our **“Adopt-a-Room”** project. Please visit our webpage on <http://thecradleofhope.org> for further details regarding this project, or call Melodie on 082 459 5747. Should you wish to become involved please speak to Melodie and arrangements will be made for you to view the house.
- We also have many bricks for sale in our **“BUY A BRICK”** campaign. Bricks can be bought for R500-00 each. These funds are used specifically for the restoration of the house. Please support us!

TAX ON DONATIONS:

We would like to remind you that **The Cradle of Hope** is registered at SARS and that we are in the position to issue tax donation certificates under Article 18 of the Tax Law.

Your donation made to our organization can therefore be deducted from your income, and SARS then refunds you part of your donation.

For more details regarding the refunding of part of your donation, please visit our webpage at <http://thecradleofhope.org> or speak to our Financial Director. His e-mail address is: albertus@thecradleofhope.org

Please support our painting project. Every cent counts, **no matter how small** your contribution may be. Should you wish to contribute specifically to the painting of the house, please use the reference "**paint**" as a deposit reference.

All donations can be paid into the following account:

Bank:	First National Bank
Branch:	Krugersdorp
Branch code:	250241
Account number:	6218 035 2628
Account name:	The Cradle of Hope

Other projects of THE CRADLE OF HOPE:

Please visit our webpage for more information regarding our other projects.

- Our **CORONATION PARK KINGDOM CHILDREN** stimulation group for the toddlers of the tent village.
- Our outreaches and assistance to the community of **POMFRET**.

Please join our FACEBOOK CAUSE: <http://apps.facebook.com/causes/357418>

Thank you for your assistance. If you cannot become involved by making a monetary donation to the restoration of the house, please pray for us, as we realize the power of the prayer of the righteous. **The harvest field is large, and we cannot make a difference without your assistance!!**

CRADLE love and blessings

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MATTHEW 9:37,38 – Then He said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

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