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“The start of a New Year, is the start of a new beginning and therefore it is the start of endless possibilities... ”

“You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you.”

— **John Bunyan**

Dear Everyone,

I hope you are all well.

Happy New Year! May 2018 opens door to thousands of opportunities and changes lives for the better.

Just a short and sweet start of the year with some pictures from the last handouts... We managed to reach 313 kids all over the country and hopefully 2018 will continue to promote good health and education in all corners of our beautiful country.

To start with... I have visited the Kalundu pre-school in the Katima area and the children were very grateful for the Christmas Gifts and also the Food hampers. Thanks to Bank Windhoek we could carry out the Meals for 2 project to the Zambezi region. Thank you to Mubala Lodge for their kind assistance.

Thank you to Ms Toya Louw and Ms Andreas Helen from Walvis Bay for their kind food donation towards the Sikunga Fishing guard.



Our visit to the Kalundu pre-school was honoured by the presence of Honorable A.M. Kamwi, Ngambela, and Mr Gabriel Mayali Kamwi, Kalundu Village Headman. It was indeed a privilege to meet with them and the other traditional leaders who attended the ceremony. Education is a privilege and the work achieved by the two teachers at Kalundu pre-school is outstanding! The children are able to read and write already in English and their impeccable manners were impressive.

The children were very grateful for their Xmas gifts and the food hampers donation. There is no other school in the area where they can get the basic before starting grade 1. With very little, they achieved high standard.

They only have one classroom as the other building is now unsafe for the children to sit in! Over 50 children have to share now the small classroom and it is not ideal.

We would really like to assist the village in rebuilding the classroom that the children really need to be in separate age group to advance in their learning! The teachers promote great discipline and good hygiene. The school area is spotless.

There is also a need for a playground so the kids can develop those basic motor skills which is so important.

KALUNDU PRE-SCHOOL –





The building on the left corner with the thatch roof is the building which is collapsing. It is not safe for the children to sit inside.

They only have the small classroom – in the centre which they want to repaint as soon as they can afford it.

The whole area is fenced so the children can stay inside and not wander around when they have a break but unfortunately there is not a real playground.

Anyone willing to assist us in this project please contact me for further details. Please find our bank account for the GONDWANA CARE TRUST if you would want to sponsor this project:

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Chk Acc	800 818 44 91
Branch Code:	483-872
Branch:	Maerua Mall

REF: your name and project name (for example: D VISSER / Kalundu project)

Don Bosco Primary School – Keetmanshoop - Sister Maura
Wilhelmina - Tel: 063 - 222 519/Fax: 062 - 226 053 -
donbosco@iway.na

Here are some pictures of the children who achieved high grades – They each received a gift – a story book (according to the age group) – stationery or an educational toy / puzzle – calculator ...



Well done to all the children !

Rainbow Nation – Soup Kitchen Rehoboth and surroundings – Mr
Martin Orlam 081 437 36 55

Again thank you to Bank Windhoek and DAWN for their support in Meals for 2 project. Children and elderly were able to have a warm meal on a regular basis.

Thank you for the donation of second hand clothing – this is always appreciated and the handouts were done over the holiday season.





Martin and Katrina visit the most needy and set up a bush kitchen so they assist the one who are unable to come to the Gospel Mission church in Rehoboth. They distribute the clothing and other goods at the same time.





Please contact me or Martin if you have any clothing / blankets... to assist them reach more people in the rural area.

MEGS – Mrs Diergaardt – 081 711 22 00 – Khomas Region - Katutura

Meals for 2 project – over 300 persons were able to get some most needed food items over the festive season....

As part of their annual celebration, MEGS organise a Xmas lunch for those who can walk and they will be able to enjoy a full Xmas lunch!

Thank you to Bank Windhoek – Ms Sanett de Waal and Ms Jacqueline Pack for their support during the various handouts. Thanks to Jescey from the Gondwana Office who participated during the Xmas on 02nd December 2017.



Below more pictures of various handouts during the Xmas Meals for 2 Seniorspark handouts with 155 food hampers delivered – Heal the Land in Okahandja – Marinata handouts in Stampriet... Rainbow Nation...



Thank you everyone for all your assistance and time... packing and delivering the hampers all around Namibia.





Anyone or companies who would to participate in the Meals for 2 project can contact me. The more companies taking part, the more area we can cover and assist. Thank you for caring and sharing.

MAMMADU TRUST – Ms Agnes Albrecht – 081 359 06 08 – Otjomuise

Thank you Gondwana Collection, Etosha Safari Lodge and Damara Mopane lodge for hosting the Mammadu kids during their year-end trip!

The children who have managed to keep their grades high during the school year are selected to go on a trip at the end of year – all expenses paid. Mammadu provide during the year, breakfast and pre-school classes; lunches and homework assistance during the afternoon so learners have given the support they need to achieve higher grade at school.



Accommodation and meals were free of charge at Etosha Safari lodge and Damara Mopane. 19 kids and 4 adults were able to enjoy 2 nights at each lodge and visit the area. Most children have never left Windhoek and this was indeed a lifetime experience for them.



WELWITSCHIA PRIMARY SCHOOL – KHORIXAS – Sir Boos Manfredt (Principal)
081 270 33 77

Principal Sir Boos Manfredt has contacted us to request some assistance for the outdoor areas where the children have their lunch and rest during breaktime.

There is no shade at the school ground and Khorixas can get very hot during the day – reaching temperatures up to 38 to 40degrees. The principal Mr Manfredt has been in place since 2009. The school welcomes about 311 children from grade 1 to grade 7.

The objective is to build 2 shade areas – one for the grade 1 to 3 and the other for the bigger kids from grade 4 to 7.

We would love to be able to add a playground for the younger kids so they can develop their motor skills and social ability as well.

The budget for the shade area is 25 720.00Nad approximately and the playground is about 15 000Nad.

Here are some pictures of the school:



Mr Manfredt is in a wheelchair and has also requested some assistance with a new wheelchair as his is in a poor condition and he is now struggling to reach some area of the school. Please if anyone can assist Mr Manfredt with a new wheelchair, it would be a true blessing!

If anyone is willing to assist us with this wonderful project in building those shade areas for the children and a playground for the little ones, please contact me or Mr Manfredt directly.

Anyone willing to assist us in any of the mentioned project please contact me for further details.

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REF: your name and project name (for example: MR SMITH / "project name") – email your POP to dginiv@iway.na so we can keep you informed of the project development. Thank you!

Until our next newsletter....

Thank you again for everyone's assistance in the past years, we cannot do alone and every little bit helps. Please do not hesitate in contacting me if you need further information on any of the associations and projects that we support.

Thank you for reading our newsletter, with a little from our friends, we managed to reach the stars.. even if it is for one night only!!

Again thank you for sharing our newsletter and helping us make a small difference where we can, **we cannot do it alone!!**

From the Gondwana's memes & Tates ...



***NB: Please do send me a mail if you do not wish to be on our mailing list to receive our newsletter.
Thank you.***

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