

Compassionate Life Foundation Sponsorship News - Summer & Fall 2008

'El Shaddai Ministry News'



ESM Children Welcome a School Break



New Kitchen Being Built at El Shaddai School



Birthday Celebration at ESM Bring BIG Smiles



New Bathroom with Flush Toilets Being Built

ESM Children Love Celebrating Life Together

They are one BIG happy family and just like children in America the Swazi Children love celebrating *Birthdays* and *School Breaks*. Because of your support they are able to experience happy healthy lives that bring them joy and happiness.

During their school break we were able to take the Children on a field trip to town. While in town they were given pocket money which they used to buy a toy or other fun item and candy. They were treated to every kid's favorite lunch, pizza and ice cream.

New Kitchen Being Built at El Shaddai School

A sturdy new block building is being constructed that will replace the previous 5 x 5 kitchen made of a few pieces of corrugated sheet metal wired to wooden post. The children continue to receive one well balance meal every day which for many is there only meal for the day. Good nutrition makes all the difference in the world and helps the children excel.

New Bathroom with Flush Toilets Being Built at ESM School With 265 children scheduled to attend School in 2009 adding a bathroom was a necessity. A new office for the teachers is the next project planned.

'The Children of Ebenezer Church'



Sunday Worship Helps Children Grow In Spirit



Tutoring Program Helps Children Grow in Wisdom



Birthday Party Helps Children Celebrate Life



Leadership Opportunities Build a Better Future

During Sunday School and Morning Worship the children recited scripture they learned in the after school tutoring program. Each choir took turns sharing songs they love to sing. A group of children even prepared a special bible skit to show others the value of being a Christ follower. A dinner was served following the service and to top it all off Compassionate Life provided the children with food parcels to take home to their families.

The Manzini children celebrated life. Nothing can bring joy to a child's heart better than balloons, cake, punch, candy and gifts. Each child lined up to cut the cake and get their keepsake photo taken.

Ebenezer Church and El Shaddai partnered together to protect a child from abuse. As a young boy's life hung in the balance these two courageous communities of believers rallied together to help him find a safe sanctuary. God used ordinary people to be His hands and feet providing protection.

Compassionate Life's after-school tutoring program continues to provide guidance and mentoring for the children in the community. It's not only helping to bring up grades but it's helping to boost the confidence level of both mentor and student. It's a win-win situation.

The Church is providing leadership opportunities for the youth involving them in the church growth processes. Many of them have been placed on committees that are instrumental in guiding the church into the future. Others serve as assistants to Busisiwe the Children's Director or are in charge of teaching the children scripture, songs and skits. ***Some of the youth participated in Swaziland's 40 / 40 festivities***, which celebrated the King's 40th birthday and Swaziland's 40th year of independence. Participates performed traditional Swazi dances at the week long event that drew spectators from all over the world.