# Abounding Hope 2017, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

### Dear Stakeholders,

I am very happy to finally be able to present you with our 2<sup>nd</sup> Report regarding our efforts in Masinenge. After sorting out several administrative issues we also hope to provide you with a more regular newsletter, and are aiming for one every quarter to keep you well informed on the amazing work we are able to accomplish here due to your generous aid.

## <u>Crèche</u>

Our early Childhood Development teacher, Nokuthula Mosea is going into her second year, and has done great work with the children. They are happy and are far less shy around strangers and many behavioral problems that the children arrive with have been brought under control through her incredible patience and care. She is an absolute blessing to these kids. The crèche also has now grown to approximately 40 children at any one time.



We also had an amazing Christmas party for the kids last year hosted by our



church's senior group, the Silver-liners. The children were beside themselves with joy and had a fantastic party and received toys, for many of them the first time in their very young lives.

#### Soup Kitchen

It is with incredible excitement that after many hours of careful negotiations with local authorities, the Soup Kitchen has now been given over to Abounding Hope.

We will shortly be extending the soup kitchen, which is at the moment a very cramped and crowded shack with no ventilation. We will be making modifications to the structure in order to remedy this. Not only will the modified structure make working much easier and pleasant, but we will also be adding a partition for a segregated area for people who need counselling and also to provide an area for a Gates of Praise home cell and



skills training as needed.

This is an ongoing project and the first step on a path to a fully functional outreach and



skills development center, hence any donations specific to this cause would be highly appreciated.

#### <u>Garden</u>

With the garden we are fortunate to have an outside benefactor who is donating seedlings for us. We have managed to successfully cultivate crops of green pepper, spinach, butternut, and chilies. We had a gardening expert come and train our gardeners, and are looking forward to seeing some positive results from that in the near future.

#### Home Visits

You will be pleased to know that our home visitation ministry has broadened and we are able to visit and assist people in other areas of the Ugu district.

Last month we were able to donate a wheelchair to a lady who lost her leg due to diabetes. It is such a blessing, with your continued support, to be the hands and feet of Jesus in order to minister the Gospel to them with practical aid and not just words of encouragement.

That is it for now. Please be sure to follow us on facebook under "Abounding Hope Community Development" for more information and pictures. Again, thank you for your continued support, it is really exciting to see God's plans for this community come to life before our eyes.



