

# Peronts To South Africa



Exciting News!

The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Psalm 126:3

Praise God with us! He has opened the doors for us to build a new ministry here in Johannesburg. **Lukiwe Family Services** is officially a Non-Profit Ministry in South

### Africa!

We believe every child is precious to God, because He has created them in His image and **personally woven** them in their mother's womb. (Psalm 139:15) We want every child we serve to also understand that their story is **intricately woven** by their loving and caring Heavenly Father, who has a beautiful plan for their life. As a result, we have chosen **Lukiwe** as the name for our ministry, which means **"Woven"** in Zulu. Thank you to each one who helped us choose this name.

The truth is that children belong in families. It is God's plan A. We are following God's leading with a <u>vision</u> to cultivate Gospel-centered, familybased care for orphaned and vulnerable children in South Africa, which we will carry out through our <u>mission-</u> coming alongside the church and local communities, equipping and empowering them to provide quality care for children in need.

## Lukiwe's Objectives

1. <u>Identifying and Equipping Local Fostering Families</u>: We will work with local churches to identify families passionate about fostering and equip them with the necessary training and support.

2. <u>Supporting Existing Foster Families</u>: We will offer biblical family strengthening programs to existing foster families to help create a nurturing and Christ-centered environment for the children.

3. <u>Preserving Families</u>: We will provide family strengthening services to at-risk families in the church and local communities with the goal of family preservation.

## Lukiwe's Needs

Our goal is to raise a total of R648,000 (approximately \$36,000) to cover the first years operational expenses up front. We estimate the monthly operating costs to be around R54,000 p/m or \$3,000 p/m. This will cover the social worker salary, rent and utilities, and ongoing marketing and accounting. We would be honored if you

would consider partnering with us in this crucial endeavor. Any contribution will bring us closer to offering a loving and Christ-centered future for South Africa's most vulnerable children.

#### Donation link

Please Note: Make your donation to the Peronts via IBMG; however, please insert "new NPC starting costs" in the memo. If sending a check, please make payable to IBMG with the same memo as above.

We thank God often for you and know that we could not be here without you. Thank you for your faithful encouragement, prayers and support!









Physical work on the property has continued, in spite of all the office work needed to set up Lukiwe. Ethan and I have pulled the well pump and we will still need to replace all the components.

Cottage: We have been busy replacing tile and we are almost finished! Just need to replace a bunch of plumbing and put new fixtures into the bathroom and kitchen. We are looking forward to using the cottage as our offices for Lukiwe in the beginning.

#### **Prayer Requests**

\* Continued prayer for our visas to be approved.

\* For God to provide the startup costs for Lukiwe Family Services.

\* For Wisdom and the Spirit's guidance for the Directors of Lukiwe Family Services.

\* For the continued repairs that need to be accomplished on the property this year.

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