



Nakekela Christian Community Centre Association

Greetings from everyone at Nakekela in our third newsletter of the year. It is now winter, some days very cold but we thank God for the seasons which He made and gave to us in his providence.

We had a very busy two months. Nakekela had been evaluated on its service to the community which involved an external consultant and a large number of our patients were gravely ill and needed special attention. We are saddened by the news that some of our patients passed away especially in May. And we saw God working in the lives of some patients who were discharged home. It gives us joy when we experience that the conditions of our in-patients improves.

Nakekela has been blessed with a new staff member, a Professional Nurse Verina Sithole, who works Monday to Friday from 07h00 to 13h00. Please see her photo on page 3.

We thank all our donors and those who supports us in the community – as with your support we are able to continue our service to the community. It is encouraging to hear of someone's life transformed for the better, as the person can then also be a channel of blessings and support to others. God helps and comforts us so that we can also help and comfort the body of Christ.

2014

STATISTICS TO DATE:

Admissions:	55
Discharge to Home:	19
Deaths:	20
HBC Field Patients:	490
HBC Field Visits:	2697
Outpatients:	74

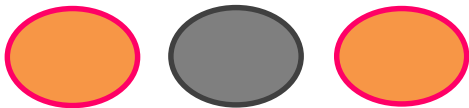


Evaluations at Nakekela



*Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation
Psalm 68:19*

We thank for God's grace and mercy, that we experience daily at the centre and how our ex-patients had miraculously recovered and been reunited with their families. On admission some of our patients were unable to speak or walk but by the time they left the centre could face life again been able to walk and speak again. It gave us so much joy to have met with some of them again when they took part in the evaluation process, held at the centre in June 2014 and was facilitated by Susan Farrel of the SALT Alliance.



God's goodness and mercy

It was very encouraging to see a family member of an ex-patient visiting the centre to extend his thanks to Nakekela's staff for their hard work and love towards the patients. His sister was very sick and did not have anyone to care for her at home. When she was admitted to Nakekela she was gravely ill and were not able to attend to her regular job anymore. It is amazing how her condition improved in the month that she stayed at Nakekela. Now Nakekela has been visited by her brother to thank God for the care and love that Nakekela showed to his sister and the other patients.

He said, "I just came back to say thank you for the good work you're doing in the lives of many people who are admitted to and cared for at the centre. I felt like it is God's will for me to give my 10 percent (his tithe) to the centre."

He gave us an envelope with the amount of R750.00 to use for the running of the centre. It is wonderful to see God's goodness, love and mercy shown to people who are sick and to see families touched and supporting Nakekela to continue striving to be the hands and feet of the Lord Jesus Christ in the community.





Sister Verina the new professional nurse



Above is pictures of our garden, we had a good vegetables coming from the garden. Absalom is doing a great job on the garden. He works on it

Report from Home Based Care

By Mirriam Rakwale

This month one of our local clinics referred a 16 year old girl to our Home Based Care .This young girl was diagnosed with HIV and TB. The clinic sister was not happy about this patient because she refused to take treatment as was prescribed. The Home Based Care Team told her mother about Nakekela and she agreed to bring her daughter to the center.

Her mother is HIV Positive and was not sure whether the daughter contracted the condition from her or was she infected because of something that happened after she was born. I asked the girl about the administration of her treatment and she complained about the size of the tablets as being too big for her to take. At Nakekela we are crushing the tablets to enable her to swallow it easily and the problem has been solved.

I asked Letty, our counselor to talk to her to establish how she got infected. The girl told us that she was raped by her mother's ex- boyfriend in the past four years. She reacted well on the counselling, loves the Bible Study and spiritual aspect to our care and is content to be with us.

Some of staff members gave her clothes because we did not have children's clothes at the centre. We are looking forward to see her getting better and going back to school next year

One of the Care Workers and two school girls

Two school girls come to Nakekela asking for some information concerning health problems and one of the Care Workers Madira spend some time with them. She took the opportunity to warn them about the dangers of a promiscuous life and advised them to go to the clinic if they experience something unusual in their physical condition. On the opposite page is Madira talking to the two girls.



One of our youngest patients at the centre



"Striving to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ in the community"



Above (on the left) we have a photo of Elida whose mother was an ex-patient. Her house was severely damaged in a rain storm. Her church helped her to rebuild the house, Nakekela provided her with a door and Babette Grobler's husband gave her a doorframe.

On the right we have a picture of an out-patient who came to see Dr. Sonja. His eyes are very weak and he could not read. Dr. Sonja gave him a pair of reading glasses he was so happy he immediately grabbed a book and started reading. It was wonderful to see him so joyful after receiving his reading glasses.



*Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; lift up a song to Him who rides through the deserts; His Name is the Lord; exult before Him!
Psalm 68:4 above are photos of the Nakekela choir singing to the Lord after a monthly staff meeting.*

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*It was good to have
Christine Plaisier who
visited Nakekela as a
representative of the
Wilde Ganzen. On the
photo is her and
Babette Grobler the
Assistant Manager*

