

God's Golden Acre "Khayelihle"

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Dear Friend,

God's Golden Acre was born out of a vision that every child should have a home - a home of love, opportunity and hope. Patrick and I have dedicated the past 19 years of our lives to this cause. We have seen countless lives transformed in ways that defy description or explanation. And yet we are just beginning! But right now we need help as never before!

On behalf of the children, I am writing to you as a friend in need. 19 years ago, Patrick and I responded to God's call to do mission work, to help children who would be orphaned and abandoned as a result of one of the most lethal viruses of our time; the HIV pandemic. The devastating effect of this virus is that it selects adults, who are sexually active, as its victims, leaving the most vulnerable to cope on their own, young children and grandparents. Kwa Zulu Natal is the epi centre of the worlds HIV pandemic. There are an estimated 900 000 orphans in Kwa Zulu Natal.

We established God's Golden Acre in response to this call, developing well structured outreach programmes in our rural areas, supporting orphaned children in their extended families, and built Khayelihle, a Cluster Foster Care Centre as a home for those children with no family at all. Now after all these years, God's Golden Acre is threatened, and it's work endangered, because of a lack of funds. We need to become self supporting. We have a dedicated team working on this at present but it will take at least 6 to 12 months to make it happen. We desperately need "Good Samaritans" to support us through this difficult period.

Over the years all of us here at God's Golden Acre have learnt not to hope for God's miracles, but to rely on them. I am recording some of these miracles in my book "Moving Mountains" which I hope to finish by 2013. I believe the final chapter will be called "The Greatest Miracle of All" (How the spirit of compassion brought people to our aid).

Praying you are in a position to help.

On the Wings of Prayer

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