

# What is Happening at Enhlanhleni CarePoint

# **CarePoint Activities**

CarePoint daily activities are progressing well, and CarePoint participants are in good health. The community is still committed to working hand in hand with the CarePoint in solidarity. We are super excited to share that the multi-purpose building has been painted, marking a significant milestone in the project. We are thankful to God for all who played a role in making sure that the CarePoint can have this beautiful building and for having you as our CarePoint partner. Words cannot express how much we appreciate your generous support.



#### **CarePoint Programs**

Since we prioritize programs for our kids' empowerment, we had an opportunity to have a total number of 12 kids (6 boys and 6 girls) from our CarePoint being invited to take part in a program named the "Regional CarePoint Kids Leadership Nomination Program" initiated by the Inter-working region. The program involved about 72 kids from all six CarePoints in the region and was held at the Lubulini community hall.



It was objectively seeking to nominate two young potential leaders who are well-behaved, God-fearing, portray leadership skills, academically skilled, confident, and have high self-esteem, who will bring about a positive influence to their peers in a CarePoint setting. Five judges were invited to fairly choose the potential and desired kids to be the CarePoint leaders. Also, a local medical department was invited, represented by nurse Mdlalose, to teach the kids about hygiene for health. It was an awesome and impactful program, especially for the kids, as they were all joyfully participating in their mixed activities.



Formal dress code was the choice of the day to show honor for the day's activities. Competitive kids for nomination were modeling in their formal appearance and delivered their different presentations on how they can bring about development in their respective CarePoints. The rest of the kids were doing amusing and entertaining activities, including poetry, music, and traditional dance. The kids were encouraged and motivated socially, spiritually, and academically for real-life experiences ahead.

#### Our Foundation (Sisekelo Setfu) Program

Our discipleship program helps the kids understand Bible lessons and plays a very crucial role in transforming the kids spiritually. It is a long-term program for spiritual growth and development and is normally facilitated by the Shepherd. The Small Group Leaders (SGLs) assist and participate in the classroom sessions. One of the topics facilitated by the Shepherd from the curriculum includes "Unshakable Faith" from Hebrews 11:6. This lesson strengthened and inspired the kids' faith to be more concrete despite any kind of spiritual destruction. Also, the kids were taught on the topic "Characteristics Of A Christian" taken from Galatians 5:22-25, whereby they learn to walk righteously and to live a Christian lifestyle, thus keeping their lives a testimony. The lesson titled "Confidence In Christ" was taken from 1 Kings 18:16-39, which inspired the kids to strive for more confidence in Christ.



# **Grief Support Course (Ngesikhatsi) Program**

Six kids are included in our first block of this counseling program for the year, and we have just completed the first session titled "Anger and Bitterness." The session was successful, and the kids were participating with great enthusiasm as they were able to openly share their different loss experiences among the group. We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as we lead the kids to their emotional healing, for self-acceptance, and adaptation to new life-changing events through this program. We strongly believe that as we support the kids emotionally and spiritually, they will find rest and hope for the future, regardless of all the circumstances they encounter in the journey of life.

## **Good Friday Celebration**

We honored and prioritized this redemption day in our CarePoint by gathering all the kids in groups where they celebrated the death of Jesus, our Savior, with prayer. The kids were reminded of the tragic crucifixion of Jesus Christ, taking the yoke of man upon Himself so that we can all be saved and delivered from sin. We prayed and worshiped in different groups, praising the Lord for offering His only begotten Son to free all of us from sin. This day was so special at the CarePoint as we were singing worship songs together.



## **Home Visits**

As we are driven by the passion of transformation for family and community development, we embarked on home visits to share the Good News with our lost neighbors, especially to local families of our CarePoint kids. The Holy Spirit led us to Amkelwe's homestead. Amkelwe is an 8-year-old girl, an active CarePoint kid, and currently in Grade 3 at Maja Primary school. She stays with her grandmother and uncle, who are both not working. We found only her uncle at the home visit, and he confirmed that the family is in good health. We were able to pray for the family's health, and we blessed the family with a box of rice. He was grateful to receive the box because they had nothing to cook for the day.





We also visited Meluleki's homestead, an active CarePoint kid who is 10 years old. He goes to Maja Primary School and is in Grade 4. He currently lives with his grandmother. He has three siblings who also attend the CarePoint, and they currently stay with his grandmother. We were able to pray with the family for the children to finish school and for their grandmother to continue taking care of the kids. We blessed the family with a box of rice. They were so appreciative of the box as it helped to sustain them for a longer period.

#### **Community Involvement**

Since the community prioritizes the CarePoint, it still works hand in hand with the CarePoint. Some community members showed dedication and engagement when they came to clear the CarePoint yard by cutting grass using slashers to keep the CarePoint clean, making it a safe and reliable place for the kids. It was so inspiring and encouraging to see the community members taking initiative in the CarePoint.

The community recognizes and appreciates the CarePoint contribution to the community. One community member by the name of Bright acknowledged the CarePoint's impact on the community. He said, "We are so thankful for the CarePoint that it helps provide food for our kids and the Christian lessons they learn in the CarePoint. We really appreciate the support of the chicken coop project as it helps support our CarePoint. We also cannot thank you enough for blessing our CarePoint with the multipurpose project. The CarePoint is playing an important role in our lives as a community and for our kids."



## **Mother's Day Celebration**

On May 17th, the organization held a heartfelt celebration in honor of the mothers who cook at the CarePoints. The event was filled with warmth, joy, and gratitude. It began with a thoughtfully prepared breakfast, setting a warm tone for the day. Guests delivered heartfelt speeches, expressing gratitude for the dedication of the mothers. Staff members performed songs as well as kids from the CarePoints.

A deeply touching part of the celebration came when some of the mothers who serve at the CarePoints shared their personal testimonies. Their words resonated with everyone in attendance, offering a glimpse into the pride, love, and sense of purpose they feel in their roles. As a gesture of appreciation, each mother received a beautifully arranged food parcel. The mothers expressed gratitude not only for the gifts but for the love and thoughtfulness behind them. Our mothers were served a delicious meal prepared by the staff, giving them a well-deserved break.





In honor of the Mother's Day event, our CarePoint kids chose to contribute some money to buy the cooks gifts as a way to show their sincere gratitude for the mothers' dedication and passion. The gifts included bowls and dish spoons to use in their own kitchens. The cooks were so happy to be blessed by the CarePoint kids with their gifts. They were more encouraged, felt appreciated, and had a sense of belonging to the CarePoint.

# **Prayer Requests**

- Broiler production project for more progress.
- Steadfast unity among all CarePoint participants.
- CarePoint kids to do well on their studies.

Yours sincerely,