

JONATHAN'S IMPACT JANUARY 2013 NEWSLETTER

MISSION TRIP NOVEMBER 2012 – MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!!

Our mission trip to Zimbabwe over the Thanksgiving holidays was packed full of activities, hard work, and great fellowship. We accomplished our primary goal of renovating and rendering usable the toilet and shower facilities at the Mbuya Nehanda Children's Home, which were filthy and nonfunctional before our arrival. We worked long days with members of Global Life Foundation, our ministry partner in Zimbabwe, to scrub, paint, tile, repair windows, and do plumbing. The results of our efforts, I must admit, were quite remarkable.

BEFORE



AFTER



5 TOILET STALLS WERE REDONE!

Christmas Party

A highlight of our mission trip was our annual Christmas Party for the approximately 80 children at the Mbuya Nehanda Children's Home. Each child was given a personally monogrammed towel and a Christmas gift bag filled with toys and hygiene items. We give our thanks to Kerry Adams, who purchased the towels, and Allyson Hern McMahon, who personally monogrammed each towel. We also appreciate the generous donations of soaps from Jim Thomas of Thomas Pumps in Slidell, LA, and the cash and gift bag items, which were donated by City Church and many individuals in our community. One of the children at the home informed us that we are the only people who remember them at Christmas time. Thank you for making this possible!!



1 Child receiving monogrammed towel



CAKE POWER!!!

We extend deep gratitude to City Church, who made the bathroom renovations possible through their cake auction, which was held on Orphan Sunday to benefit Jonathan's Impact. With Pastor Jeff Hummel as auctioneer, City Church raised \$3,000 in a single night!! City Church, we thank God for you.

Clothing Distribution

Each child at the Mbuya Nehanda Children's Home and the Chileleko Home received 5 shirts, 5 pairs of pants or shorts, a jacket or sweater, and 2 or 3 pairs of shoes in the distribution of the clothing which was donated by the children and teenagers of Covington and Mandeville, LA. A lot of excitement was generated as each Zimbabwean orphan got to select the clothing that he or she wanted. We give our thanks to the many people who donated, folded, and packed the 200 boxes of clothing which were shipped in 2012.



4 Ado and Maybe of the Chileleko Home in their new dresses



2 A Happy Clothing Customer!



3 Tinashe with his new wardrobe