

# VINEYARD COMMUNITY FOSTER HOMES STELLENBOSCH Newsletter No 7 6 March 2012

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- This is the first newsletter for 2012 and a few changes happened since 2011 at the houses: children have left; new children have entered the houses. A new mother has joined the Vineyard house team and faithful volunteers relocated to other countries.
- All the children enjoyed a wonderful Christmas. Some went on holiday to friends/family, and others stayed with the foster mothers.
- We want to say thank you to Home from Home and the Legal Aid Board for the Christmas party and wonderful presents that everyone received at the party.
- After the long summer school holiday in December, the schools opened on 10 January 2012. School clothes were bought and all look very neat in their new clothes.
- The boys started with soccer in February, which they are very excited about.
- There are even some children who started art classes at PJ Olivier Art Centre in Stellenbosch.
- Kholiswa became a mother of a beautiful girl, Bonani, on 1 September 2011.

Below are some of the Vineyardhouse Committee Members, having a lunch with SOS Kayamandi (Mr. and Mrs Lanting from Netherland)



## Kayamandi

### Zanovuyo

The twins, Lavela and Lathita, were reunited with their family in October 2011. Just after their departure, Mandy, a new born baby girl, was placed in Agnes's care. Unexpectedly Novusile/Agnes, fostermother of Zanovuyo, left the house the end of November 2011. This was a crisis and a disappointing time for all of us. Our faithful assistant, Kholiswa, stepped in as the fostermother for 3 months. We are very thankful to her! Our other new child in the house is Sinesihle, ( a girl, aged 9 years).

After many prayers and interviews, Nomilaphi Zulu was appointed in March 2012, as the new fostermother of Zanovuyo. She was born in the Eastern Cape and relocated to Kayamandi in 1998. She is a mother to a grown-up daughter who is married with 2 children. In the picture below we can see Nomilaphi with her five foster children.



## Zanokhanyo

Sinethemba (Laduma) left the house in the beginning of December, and was reunited with his aunt. Mandy, our new born baby, moved to Ntombekaya in Zanokhanyo and is now part of this family.



Below is Thimna/Nicole proudly showing off her ballet clothes:



Our precious foster-mothers sharing a joke

After 3 years at the Vineyard Houses we had to say goodbye to Yvonne Dover (going to Hong Kong) and Naomi Brooks (going to Scotland) as volunteers. Thank you for all your love, support and commitment over the last three years.

Below is Naomi:



Below is Yvonne:



## **Cloetesville House:**

Our Fostermother, Rosie, is doing a fantastic job with her 6 children. The assistant, Mavis that helped for a year, resigned and the house is urgently looking for a new assistant.



## **Wish List:**

1. To put down artificial grass in front of Zanovuyo. Grass does not grow there.
2. To go green: To equip the houses with rainwater tanks and solar geysers.
3. New Assistant for Cloetesville

## **The Vineyard house Committee:**

**1.Vineyard Christian Church:** Chris Goddard, Gerrit Laning, Leonie Probert (Admin), Karin Viviers, Florence Mpemnyama, Elaine Eare, Lillian Mkati en Hettie Blom

**2.Child Welfare Kayamandi**

**3.Home from Home:** Jane Payne, Pippa Shaper