



**VUYANI**  
Safe Haven

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**NOVEMBER 2015**

*As we enjoy this great moment, we should also remember the children who do not enjoy the care of parents or loved ones.*

**Nelson Mandela**

**Christmas Speech 25 December 1995**

*Christmas Greetings to all the Friends of Vuyani.*

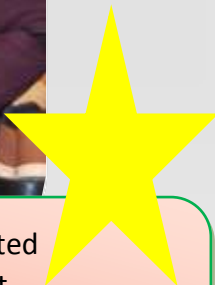
*In this our last Newsletter of the year we would like to wish you and your family a peaceful Christmas and New Year.*

*A Heartfelt Thank You for your support and generosity during 2015*

*VUYANISAFE HAVEN - Board, Staff and Children*



George Keller and his wife, Trudie, recently paid a visit to South Africa and brought wonderful gifts from Switzerland for the children of Vuyani. Thank you for your care and the ongoing commitment to Vuyani Safe Haven!



**Esther and Renè Klein** of the Netherlands visited Vuyani in August with fond memories of Esther's visit many years ago with her family, the Gramsbergers. They took some of the boys shopping to buy much needed clothing, shoes and bags.



**Hennie Otto**, one of South Africa's golfers on the PGA tour, but also an ambassador for the Christian organisation, **Living Ball**, visited Vuyani and handed out netballs and rugbyballs inscribed with a message of hope to each of our 30 children.



## ACTIVITIES AT OUR VUYANI HOUSE

### KINDERMUSIK- CLASSES BY SANET

**BRINK**— A Recent donation from our loyal supporter, **Theo Tijssen and his organization Nomzamo Africa**, made it possible for the very competent Sanet Brink to also give the Vuyani children the benefit of Kindermusik. She comes to Vuyani twice a week and our children quickly started to experience the therapeutic effect of the music and rhythm, but also the sheer fun that



The **Otto-family** from **George**, recently spoiled the 30 Vuyani children and the caregivers on duty with a visit to the **Desert Spur Restaurant** in **Graaff-Reinet**. For most of the children it was their very first visit to the Spur and it was an unforgettable experience.

Experiences like this do wonders for our children who have been severely neglected and abused.



## ACTIVITIES AT OUR THANDUXOLO HOUSE



We would like to thank, Hestie, v.d Mescht, owner of Polka Restaurant for the opportunity afforded Vuyani to work with Polka at the recent 'Instagram' meet in Graaff-Reinet.

The Vuyani girls distinguished themselves as ambassadors for Vuyani with their willing and friendly attitude towards the guests.

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Irene de Kock, dis presently doing her Zuma year as a dietician at Midlands hospital.

She contacted, Hildegard Brummer, Vuyani's Social worker, and offered to assist the older girls at Thanduxolo with their homework and also regularly goes running with them.

Irene completes her year in January and will possibly be leaving Graaff-Reinet, and she therefore appeals to other people to become involved with the children at Vuyani.



A loyal supporter of Vuyani, Marion Dreelan from Scotland, was impressed by one of our girls, Kelly, during the visit of the Lathallan school in July. She wanted to do something for Kelly to encourage her to reach for her dreams. Marion decided to buy Kelly a guitar and pay for her guitar lessons. In the photo Kelly demonstrates that she is already practicing on her brand new guitar!





**Banking Details:** FNB Account no: 62020166262 Branch Code: 210216 **Swift code:** FIRNZAJJ

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At Vuyani Safe Haven's AGM all the current Board members were re-elected. The treasurer, Elaine Stanley, submitted the audited financials. The chair, Paul Merifield, read his annual report and handed out long service certificates to some of the staff members.

In the photo with Paul is Lenie Adams who has served at Vuyani since the beginning in 2000 — 15 years. What a remarkable achievement!

Lenie retires at the end of the year, but has already been co-opted to the Board that Vuyani may still draw on her experience.

### URGENT NEEDS AT VUYANI:

- Vuyani currently rents the building in Cradock Street. Our Board identified that it would be safer for Vuyani to own this property. This is a longterm need which we would like to bring to the attention of our donors.
- Back-to-school expenses for stationery and school clothes.
- Anatomically correct dolls for children who have been sexually molested to assist with the forensic evaluation.



**STAR DONORS**



### OVERSEAS DONORS:

Theo Tijssen - Stichting Nomzano \* George Keller \* Verena Gerber – Kirche Gemeinschaft \* Egbert Gramsbergen \* Marion Dreelan \* Vriende van Sienna Tompkins \* Linda & Nick van Hee \* Simon Towler\* Renè en Esther Klein \* Ulrich & Doris Gerber \* Nora Weyer, Alex Baade, Ulli Bitzer, Beate Ifland & Elke Weyer from Germany

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### SOUTH AFRICAN DONORS:

Harold Steven-Jennings \* Jess Hobson

To all the Friends who so regularly deliver donations at Vuyani, e.g. food, new and second-hand clothing, toys and our Volunteers who assist children with homework and so much more. . .

Your support enables us to meet the needs of the children in our care.

**THANK YOU TO ALL OUR DONORS !!! — If we omitted your name, please let us know!**