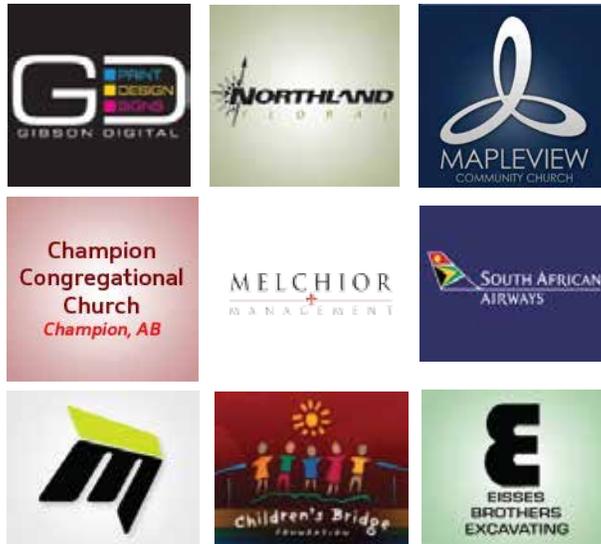




# Emmanuel's Wish Foundation ANNUAL REPORT 2015





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MESSAGE FROM  
THE PRESIDENT

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## Christine Eisses

President

*"But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ..."*

Ephesians 2:4,5

Alive. What does that mean to each of us? Does it just mean to have a beating heart, oxygen flowing through our lungs and brain waves that are measurable? Or is the word alive so much more? To me alive means to be actively participating and engaging with those around us. To fill voids and cups and hearts when needed. To be alive means to serve others wherever and whenever and however we can.

I do not believe God created us to live in solitude, nor in a selfish way. I believe that we are one big human community and we all have a place in it. Our place is to share the love of Jesus in tangible ways. At Emmanuel's Wish Foundation we are striving to do that exact thing - to share the love of Jesus in tangible ways. We are not a perfect group of people but we are serving a living and perfect God who we trust to guide us as we live fully ALIVE in Him!

In these few pages you will see a snapshot of what God has allowed us to do in 2015. You can see more, including video interviews and tours, on our newly revamped website; [www.emmanuelswish.org](http://www.emmanuelswish.org).

It is my prayer for those who have supported us through the years that you will continue to be a blessing to the work of EWF and to those individuals that we serve. Thank you for your prayers, your volunteer hours and your finances. Thank you for allowing us to move forward in service to those whom God has placed before us. It is also my prayer and my hope that you who have not joined us on this journey will support the growing work of EWF.

Love in Christ,  
Christine Eisses



Above: Emmanuel's Wish Foundation Staff of 2015

### Our Board of Directors

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# COMFORT HOME





**Thandeka Sindane**  
Manager



“Ikhaya Lokuphatheka Kahle” is the name of a 13 bed comfort home (hospice) currently operating in the town of Richmond, KZN, South Africa. The home is an inpatient unit that is equipped to serve those sick and dying. The majority of patients seen at the comfort home are HIV positive. Many are diagnosed and started on treatment for Tuberculosis (TB) while in residence.

However, a variety of different people from different walks of life walk through the doors of “Ikhaya Lokuphatheka Kahle” and are helped in whatever way possible. For some that means that they are given a loving comfortable place to spend their last days. For others, they are returned to health and able to return home and continue to care for their families. We are so blessed to be a part of bringing both dignity and hope to those afflicted with AIDS.

In the past the Comfort Home has served as a safe place for women coming out of prostitution, recovering addicts, and even malnourished children. In 2015 the vast majority of patients were there for medical reasons.

Ikhaya Lokuphatheka Kahle means Comfort Home and we praise God that it is a place of comfort for many in the community.

**Top:** Robert Maphanga (chaplain) shares God’s word with a patient

**Middle Right:** Newly renovated rooms at the Comfort Home

**Bottom right:** Woman being cared for by staff

**Bottom left:** Robert speaks with patients during an outdoor Bible study

**Opposite page:** Patients enjoying the fresh air in the yard at the comfort home



# SIYETHEMBA CHILDREN'S CENTRE





**Nonzuzo Khoza**  
Manager



Siyethemba Children’s Centre is a crèche (day care/nursery school) operating in the town of Richmond, KZN, South Africa. It houses 40-50 children aged 2-5 daily from 8am-4pm. The majority of these children come from vulnerable homes, be they single parent, grandparent-led homes or homes in the informal squatter camp communities around Richmond. Children are provided with a safe environment to play and learn as well as two nutritious meals.

In 2014 a beautiful jungle gym was installed, thanks to the generous donations from an elementary school in Barrie, ON. In 2015 a lean-to roof was added to create more teaching space in the bright but cramped building. The staff have also been working hard to provide more creative and hands-on learning activities for the children.

Siyethemba was named after a very special ten year old boy that stayed at the Comfort Home and was the first child to pass away from AIDS there. He was deeply loved and cared for by the staff at the EWF Hospice and the children’s centre was named in his honour. Siyathemba is Zulu for “We have hope” as we believe everyone should.



**Top:** The children’s centre with the new lean-to roof for additional learning space

**Opposite page:** Children eating breakfast at the children’s centre

**Bottom right:** Children enjoying the jungle gym

**Right middle:** Nonzuzo leading the children in prayer



A close-up photograph of a person wearing a red long-sleeved shirt and a black jacket with a reinforced elbow patch. The person is focused on filling a white plastic recycling bag with a red rectangular container. The bag features a green recycling symbol. In the background, other similar white bags are visible, suggesting a recycling or community cleanup event. The scene is brightly lit, likely outdoors.

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH



**Scotch Mchunu**  
Manager



Emmanuel's Wish Foundation is actively involved in the greater Richmond community. Some community programs link with other EWF projects and include regular follow-up with patients discharged from the Comfort Home to ensure they are healing and thriving at home. EWF provides a weekly parenting study in the informal squatter camp settlement in Richmond, KZN as well as monthly food parcels to the neediest families there.

Children from impoverished local families were often not getting to school because they were unable to afford transport to school and the walk was unsafe for children. EWF, with the gracious help of donors, was able to step in and provide transportation for these students. 20-25 children attend school because EWF is able to take them there and back safely. In addition, EWF sponsors a breakfast program in two impoverished local schools, providing children with food at the start of their learning day, which has greatly improved energy and learning.

We are currently raising monthly support to expand our community programs to include an after-school and home-based support program for child-headed households. With a high rate of HIV infection and one of the most affected areas of the world by Tuberculosis (TB), Richmond is situated in an area where unfortunately many children are raising their younger siblings without parents.



**Top:** Families receiving monthly food parcels

**Opposite page:** EWF staff help to prepare the monthly food parcels

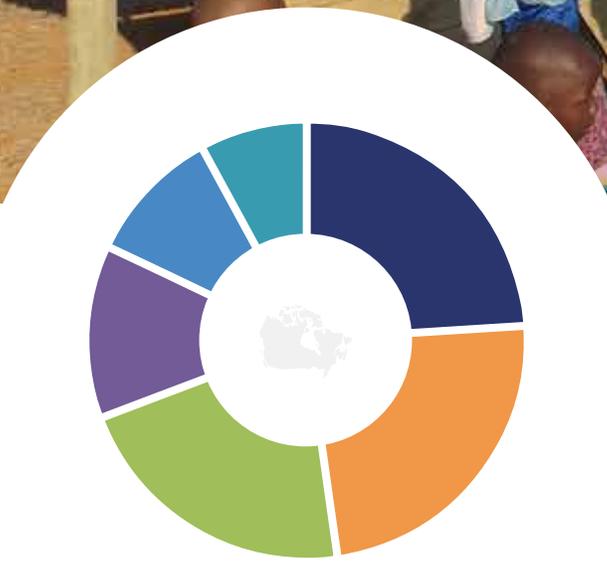
**Bottom right:** Members of the informal squatter camp learn to crochet personal items

**Right middle:** EWF helps transport children to their school

**Bottom Left:** Children being fed through the breakfast program



# EWF FINANCES 2015



## INCOMING

● Monthly Donations	\$47,795.00
● Board Donations	\$47,623.00
● One-Time Donations	\$42,988.00
● Churches & Charities	\$25,527.40
● Short-Term Team	\$20,056.77
● Corporations	\$15,824.31
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Total	\$199,814.48

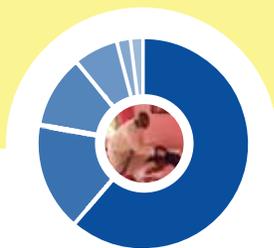
**OUTGOING**

● Comfort Home	\$99,575.20
● Siyethemba Crèche	\$29,577.59
● Board Travel & Expenses	\$ 22,046.62
● Short-Term Team	\$21,655.28
● Community Outreach	\$15,109.89
● Canadian Administration	\$5,797.47
● Additional SA Expenses	\$5,737.32
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$199,499.37</b>



Board Travel & Expenses and Canadian Administration are both fully covered by Board Donations. The short-term team also raises the funds to cover their expenses. So you can be sure that the money you give goes directly to the work in South Africa.

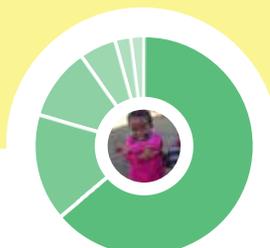
**Comfort Home**



**EXPENSES\***

Staffing	\$ 61,527.57
Utilities & Services	\$ 17,004.84
Supplies	\$ 11,739.28
Groceries	\$ 7,292.13
Medications	\$ 1,071.93
Maintenance	\$ 939.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 99,575.20</b>

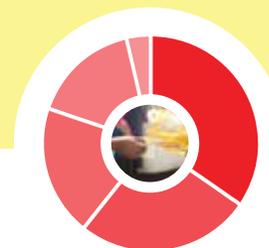
**Children's Centre**



**EXPENSES\***

Staffing	\$18,872.01
Vehicle	\$ 4,682.57
Groceries	\$ 3,157.09
Supplies	\$1,598.57
Utilities & Services	\$ 678.36
Maintenance	\$ 588.99
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,577.59</b>

**Community Outreach**



**EXPENSES\***

Staffing	\$ 5,323.09
Vehicle	\$ 4,046.11
Groceries	\$ 3,056.69
Food Parcels	\$2,533.32
Supplies	\$150.68
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,109.89</b>

**Opposite page:** Children enjoying the jungle gym at the childrens centre (crèche)

\* South African expenses calculated using the average annual exchange rate for 2015 of 1 R = \$ 0.1006