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Dear supporter,

It has been an amazing 6 months.....

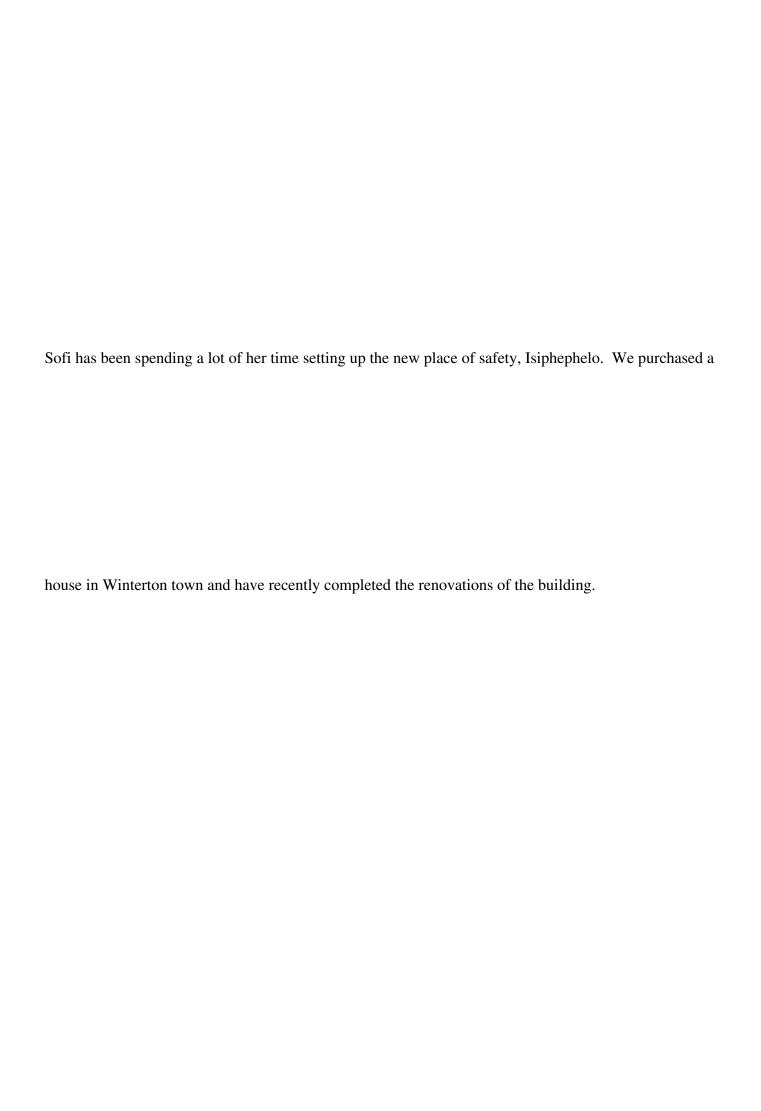
Volunteer News
Anne is engaged to be married in June 2013

Sofi's new house is almost complete and she hopes to move in very soon.
Sandra who was with us in 2012/13 as part of the Lutheran church volunteer programme has returned as
a self funded volunteer. She has taken on the role of manager at Isibani as well as focusing on youth

programmes.	
Siboniso left Isibani in December and has been working with the local community with a focus on your	th
projects. He will be leaving for Brazil in July to do a 6 month Discipleship Training Course with	

YWAM (Youth with a mission)
Xoli our social auxiliary worker works daily with children that have been abused or are living in
vulnerable situations. Most of these children come in daily for a snack and a lunch box for school the

next day.	They have play therapy and one	to one counselling sessions v	vith Xoli, there have been
amazing s	shifts in these children's lives tha	nks to her input.	
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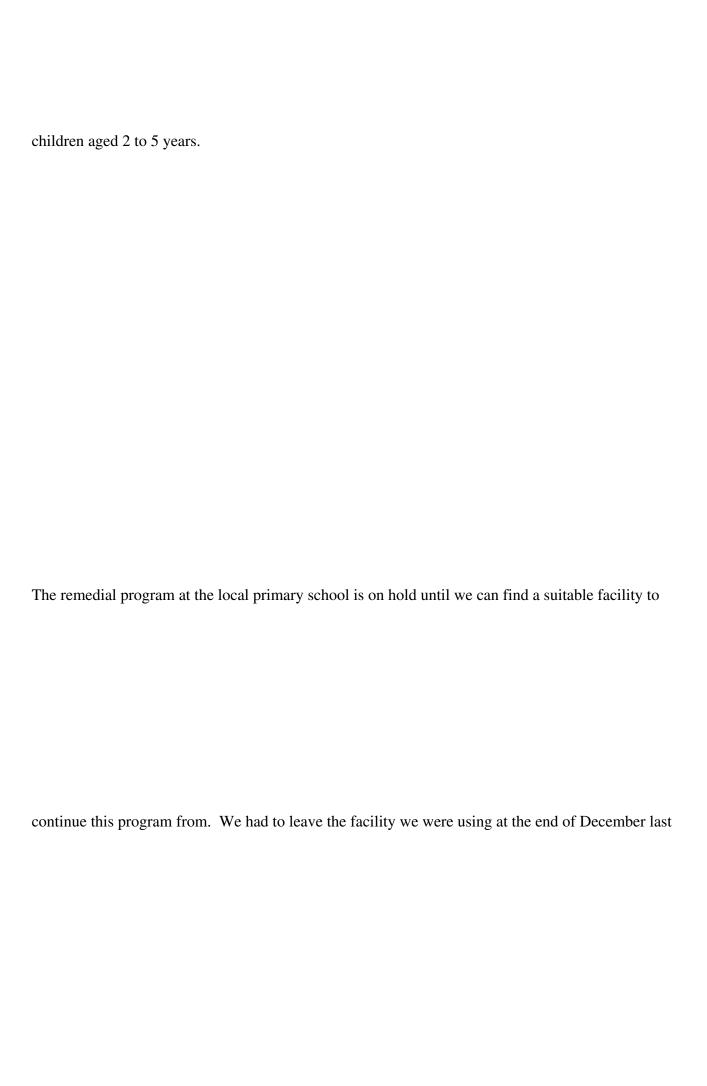
Zama is our house mum and Xoli is our social auxiliary worker, they both live on site and we have 2	
children in the house so far.	
Isiphephelo is a residential home for abandoned, vulnerable and abused children. We can accommodate	• /

up to 16 children between the ages of 0-12 girls and 0-8 years boys.	The intention is for this to be a short
term respite for the children whilst we assist with therapy, counselling	g, health issues, legal and social
aspects concerning the child.	

Due to the lack of safe houses children are often not removed from abusive or dangerous situations We
are working with local police, health and social workers and community members to offer these children
the support they need in times of crisis.

We have trained 12 local women from surrounding villages with representatives from bobby bear (a	ì
project on the South Coast). The training was centred on being advocates for children who are bein	ıg
abused and the women will be working closely with the place of safety. www.bobbybear.co.za	

Project News
The baby day care facility has moved into Isibani, it was previously operating from the Lighthouse
Creche on far side of the Khetani township. We now have 19 babies between 0-2 years and a further 16



year
We continue to assist the dept of health with the mobile clinic unit. The mobile visits Isibani twice each
month and patients come with varying health issues. We assist mostly with the ARV medications
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handing out treatment and addressing the side effects and adherence	ce to treatment. V	We serve around 600
patients each month.		
We have been able to offer our facilities to another local NGO who	o has recently tra	ined approx 30 local

youth in life skills.	
We have continued to support a number of local children with school uniforms; children who would	
otherwise have struggled to go back to school.	
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Rebecca and Luise, this years German volunteers, have been running homework support classes for
children at a local primary school. The children are loving the classes and are very appreciative of the
help.

As always, best wishes from us all at l	Isibani and thank you for	your interest and support.	