



GIVE A CHILD A FAMILY AFRICA

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2023

CHILDREN
BELONG IN
SECURE
FAMILIES

SPECTACULAR SEPTEMBER: A BUSY MONTH!

An Exciting New Project!

We are excited to share that GCF is involved in a new project. Some of you probably remember Siyavuna (Kumndi), the small-scale agriculture farming project that once upon a time began as a farming course for the foster parents we worked with in the early years. They eventually became an independent organisation, and now (years later) we have received funds to carry out a Self-Employment Project together.

GCF has been involved in the planning phase, the liaison with the community structures and the recruitment of 211 unemployed, young men and women who Siyavuna teach farming techniques. When the crops are ready to eat, the participants have the option to not only sustain themselves, but to sell to Siyavuna who sells it further to local enterprises or start their own little sales business.



To Be Able to Go Back Home!

As you might remember, we are in the middle of Transformational Care (phasing out our work with caring for children in the Child and Youth Care Centre). There is much to consider and currently, we have 39 children in the process of moving on. For a child to return to the biological family, the parent or relative who will be caring for the child, should complete our Parenting course, specifically for Reunification.

Recently, we had a week of such training where a group of mothers and grandmothers were equipped with the tools and knowledge they need to eventually welcome their children back home. No matter the circumstances that led to their separation, we hold onto the belief that restoration and reunification are always possible, and the best option for children.

Victim Empowerment and Trauma Support

Selected GCF staff have had the privilege to be trained by a true Victim Empowerment and Trauma Support champion, Mrs Sylvia Mdluli (81 years old) from Machovin Trading. She has decades of experience in the field and has been more than willing to share her expertise and experiences with us. The 5-day long training was all about trauma work with children and their families, which has laid a good foundation for bringing it forward into the traumatised communities we serve in.



GCF Golf Day #TeeOff4Kids

We're thrilled to announce the resounding success of our inaugural golf day! It was an extraordinary day filled with camaraderie and excitement. We're deeply grateful to all participants for their passion, sportsmanship, and dedication to our cause, making it a memorable day.

Huge thanks to our generous sponsors who made this event possible. We raised almost R80,000 with your commitment and support through hole sponsorships, prizes, and donations and it speaks volumes about your belief in our mission. This success goes beyond the golf course; it demonstrates the strength of our community, shared values, and our determination to create positive change.



With your continued support, we're confident you will help us to achieve even greater heights in the future. Thank you all!

If you want to know what we get up to on a more regular basis, make sure to follow us on Facebook or Instagram @givechildfamily



EVERYONE CAN DO SOMETHING! MAKE A DIFFERENCE TODAY
AND BECOME A MONTHLY CONTRIBUTOR OF GCF'S WORK.

www.gcf.org.za