

Harvesters of Jesus

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The Association of the Harvesters of Jesus was established in order to provide the regular daily spiritual needs of the Little Eden Society. It is firmly believed that without such support, Little Eden would wither.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. – John 3:16

It amazes me that people become almost intuitively more generous over the Christmas season. We experience it first hand at LITTLE EDEN with so many individuals reaching out to do something pleasant for the children at this special time of year.

I like to think that it is the Spirit of Christmas that lives in us, that prompts us to give – not only at Christmas, but all the time. Even when it's not convenient, or even when we don't feel like it...

God Himself is a *giver*. He made the greatest sacrifice one can make, by giving His only Son to the world. He gave because He loves us. He gave at a cost to Himself. It's so simple, but true: God loves, so God gives. Nothing we can ever do can earn His indescribable love for us!

Most of us will experience the joy and privilege of handing a present to a loved one this Christmas. We at LITTLE EDEN will get to see the faces of our children when Santa hands out their presents – a gift in itself!

When we make our joyous exchanges this Christmas, let us also remember the miraculous Gift from God: the Saviour of the world who was born unto us over 2 000 years ago – the One who still gives freely of His grace and mercy to each who asks...

I challenge you to give more than a man-made gift this Christmas. Perhaps you need to re-commit your life to God; perhaps you could say a special prayer for someone who needs it, or perhaps you could just tell God how grateful you are for His very special gift to you!

Hanneli Esterhuysen

Daily prayer for the needs of LITTLE EDEN



Jesus Great Harvester who desires the salvation of all mankind, accept the offering of my life and work in assisting You to help garner the fields for the harvest. Teach me compassion, understanding and love for those most in need. Bless our Association; strengthen the bonds of love and charity amongst us, so that with hearts united we may say "Thy kingdom come". Mary, comfort of the afflicted, pray for us.