

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.

The human body is amazing! When well looked after, it has the ability to heal itself. It was designed with specific systems and functions in place to constantly "scan" the environment to try and rid itself of anything potentially harmful.

The human *heart*, however, is a little more fragile and doesn't heal so easily. Only someone experiencing a serious illness, pain or tragedy knows how hard it is to handle these misfortunes. They know how difficult it is to cope with fear and uncertainty. They know how absurd it sounds when someone tells them to "keep a positive attitude".

It is a proven fact that healing, whether physical or emotional, simply happens quicker and easier when the person is in an environment where he / she feels safe, nurtured and loved.

We at LITTLE EDEN experience this first hand on a regular basis. Some of our children come from a background of abuse, trauma, and neglect – many of them to such an extent that we did not know if their spirit could ever survive. Others have fought desperately for their lives despite serious illnesses and have lived, long after doctors had given up hope...

I believe the difference is *love*.

Visitors often comment on the love and peace they experience in the Homes. Domitilla's long time dream is for the Village to become a place of healing for the children, staff and community. It has been said before that LITTLE EDEN is an oasis, and it certainly is. Not only for our children, but also for a dry and thirsty world in desperate need of healing!

Showing compassion, patience and understanding to a fellow human being every day, makes us powerful instruments of healing in God's Hands. Continue to pray for the well-being of our angels at LITTLE EDEN and for our country.

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.