

# 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.

## Gratitude is the best attitude

Recently a young school learner paid a visit to LITTLE EDEN Society to complete a few hours of community service. The young lady found herself coming back to LITTLE EDEN a few days later to show her gratitude to several of the caregivers she said inspired her immensely. It was so touching seeing through her eyes the *Love & Care* experienced at LITTLE EDEN. To our pleasant surprise, the young lady brought along several bars of chocolates to give the caregivers she had met at her previous visit, to express her appreciation to them who take on a motherly role towards our residents. The heartfelt message conveyed indicated that the carers at LITTLE EDEN have created an atmosphere of warmth, friendship and love and this is no small feat! It is clear that they are dedicated to their work making sure every resident at LITTLE EDEN feels valued, loved and appreciated.



Every individual deserves love and affection, no matter their physical or mental state. This is especially true for the LITTLE EDEN residents, who require more care and attention than most. However, for caregivers, providing residents with care that is just like a mother's love is a top priority. The caregivers are dedicated individuals who work tirelessly to ensure that each resident is treated with *Respect* and provided with the level of *Love & Care* they need.

Many of our residents were abandoned by their families due to their personal circumstances. It is so endearing to watch the love and affection the caregivers have, which they give from their hearts, to our residents whose lives are indeed made better by this gentle motherly attitude. Over time our residents flourish and respond to their surroundings as they are continuously encouraged to reach their potential. Even though the residents are hampered by their disability the caregivers are able to see past that, whilst ensuring that they receive quality care every day. Whenever information is required about one of the residents, the caregivers will immediately supply this, showing, as a mother would, that they truly go above and beyond for our residents and ensure that they nurture each one.

In South Africa, a special day in May is dedicated to commemorating and celebrating Mothers, their dedication, selflessness and sacrifices that they make for their children and families.

How will you be celebrating the mother figure in your life?

Gaahele Mokgoro

### Daily prayer for the needs of LITTLE EDEN Society

*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.*