## Newsletter



IKHAYA LABANTU

Caring for frail & disabled people

## Life not only consists of highlights...

...as the stories of this newsletter may suggest. But also of the day to day commitment of our staff and management, as well as volunteers, who go out of their way to provide shelter, food and care to our 34 residents.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of September, we join the rest of the world in commemorating the International Day of Charity, as proclaimed by the United Nations in honour of Mother Teresa, who died on that day in 1997 - a day aimed at raising awareness and support for charities around the world.



**Ikhaya Labantu** is one such charity, which has been able to keep its doors open to those in need for many years. In the process Mambona herself has become a mother of the community in Langa. We call out for your continued support that we may continue to be a home for some of the poorest and most vulnerable people in our community.

## Sowing seeds of Hope!!!



On 06 Aug 2022, core members of the Board and Management team held a planning workshop aimed at defining the path towards improvement of services at Ikhaya Labantu.

Afterwards, Mambona had the following summary: "The workshop was a good step forward and my hope is that we would be able to implement the plans, in order to improve the food, the equipment and for the employees. We have great hope in the future and we are grateful for the Board in carrying us forward"

Pictured on the day: Mick Plüddemann (Vice-Chair), Nobuntu Nkanyuza – "Mambona" (Director), Tino Mhungu (Man for Everything), Ntombi Mhlawuli (Operations Manager), Sr Winnie Nonkonyana (Care Manager). Not in the picture (because she's taking it!): Simoné Buchler (Treasurer)

### Never too old for Youth Day!



On a memorable June 16, our residents enjoyed an evening movie night - watching the award-winning SARAFINA in celebration of Youth Day and as part of our psycho-social support program. It was a heartwarming experience, hearing the residents sing along to the movie and share stories about the past, its struggles, and the victory of hope and humanity.

# 🔍 🏻 Mandela Day magic!!!



A team from **Homechoice** spent their Mandela day at Ikhaya Labantu, where a large donation was made. Each resident received a warm blanket and our employees also received blankets and food parcels.

The **South African Medical Research Council** also blessed us with food supplies, as part of the magic we received in the spirit and memory of Madiba.

Thank you!!

### Carers' corner



our team.

Buntu Daweti joined Ikhaya Labantu as a student and then as a volunteer carer, before joining the Care Team full-time in June this year. He has been a warm presence and jovial character.

Buntu is passionate about caregiving. He is wonderfully patient with the residents, meaning there's time for stories and conversations.

We acknowledge and appreciate his presence in

# 🖢 Residents' Corner



Regina Mantoa Bekisi has been at Ikhaya Labantu since October 2021. She enjoys the garden and will be seen weeding and watering the garden- she requested that the picture is taken in her favorite spot. She also notably enjoys the dance and activities that are coordinated together with a Life group from the Jubilee Church.

## **Engagement with UCT Students**

Students from UCT visited Langa as part of their Community engagement week, and Ikhaya Labantu was set apart as one of the facilities visited. The story and history of Langa fits perfectly with the story of Ikhaya Labantu - a story of struggle, resilience, faith, prayers and miracles.

Feel free to organize a tour of our facility together with your families/ teams, by sending an email to us-. We are always willing to share our story!







Through offering your time and energy to help with a number of practical tasks that need extra hands and some tenacity **OR** by sponsoring one of our residents through a tax deductible financial contribution, you could support our work and help us realise better pay for the carers and staff, more nourishing food for the residents, upkeep of the buildings, and various other ongoing needs.

Every donation is greatly needed and will be much appreciated.

Thank you for your prayers, care and support!

#### Ikhaya Labantu Homeless Shelter

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### Banking details:

Ikhaya Labantu Homeless Shelter First National Bank (FNB) Acc.No. 62833869045 Branch code: 250655

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