Annual Report
March 2021 - February 2022

RESCUE A CHILD. RESTORE A LIFE. RAISE A LEADER. RELEASE A STAR.
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WHO WE ARE

Our Vision
LIV provides holistic residential care for orphaned and vulnerable children to rescue a child, restore a life, raise a leader, and release a star.

Our Mission
LIV Lanseria exists to be a life giving village for orphaned and vulnerable children which produces healthy families, empowered communities, and future leaders for South Africa.

Our Values
At LIV Lanseria, everything we do is centred around Christ and biblical principals. Everything we do is done with excellence and integrity, whilst remaining strongly people and community focused.

Introducing LIV Central

In September 2018, the LIV Central structure was approved by the existing LIV Board of Directors at LIV Durban.

LIV Central is registered as an NPC with a national board of governors and executive management team who have been selected to bring a combination of sound spiritual oversight, wisdom, practical guidance, transparent good governance, and support. This is a combination of committed, Christian visionary leaders representing the body of Christ, men and women who have experience in business, marketing, finance, social services, education, good governance practices, and the rule of law.

In line with keeping all LIV villages, foster homes, and other LIV entities grounded in the Holy Spirit into the future, four churches connected with LIV (Bryanston Bible Church, Hope Restoration Church Kempton Park, 3CI Pretoria East, and Harvest Church Durban) have been selected by the founders as the covering governance body. They will be responsible for proposing potential governors to represent their church on the LIV Central board of governors, as well as suitable future candidates for the management team.

Each LIV entity will need to be an independent registered NPC (Non-Profit Company) with its own board of directors ensuring good governance regionally, and will be responsible for raising their own funding to support the operations of the entity.
A Message from our Leadership

Our thirtieth year as an organization felt very similar to how many may experience their thirtieth year of life. The beginning of June was met with financial insecurities from the COVID pandemic implications to the wavering global economy. The staff received letters that their salaries may be delayed in the month of June. A miraculous and unexpectedly large donation days before we needed to pay salaries came to secure salary payments and covered other organisational expenses.

This sent the organization into a season of seeking wisdom in how to spend money wisely and where decreased spending needed to take place. From July to February, the organisation slimmed its spending, saved the large donations, and committed to raising the necessary amounts to get out of the financial slum. Our perspective is to be good stewards of what God had given us, trust God will provide, and create a foundation for sustainable growth moving forward.

God is indeed faithful, as by the end of February we had enough funds to be sustainable for four months. Our leadership team focused its efforts on developing the organisation’s first strategic plan until June 2023. This plan creates forward progress for the four pillars of our mission:

- life-giving village
- healthy families
- empowered communities
- future leaders for South Africa

Our hope is that the strategy will set a firm foundation for the Strydom’s to take their leave from LIV Lanseria to go to America, where Megan is from, in June 2023. We are excited to spend another year building on the last, to grow our life-giving village, to produce more healthy families, empower the community further, and see the future leaders of South Africa shine.
IMPACT

10 Paid Interns

84 Children in Refilwe Preschool

2500 Children reached daily through the ECD outreach

22 Children in the LIV Families

150 Children in Children’s Ministry

10 Babies at El Roi Baby Home

6 Children in Independent Living

250 Children at Ithuteng Afterschool

33 Jobs Created
Story of Hope

Evon’s Story

We would like to share an Impact Story from one of our Ithuteng Volunteers who has been with us since 2019.

“I started at Ithuteng, LIV Lanseria’s community afterschool programme, as a learner in 2014 while I was in Grade 10. In 2018, I completed my matric, however, I didn’t take my facilitators seriously and unfortunately I didn’t pass my matric that time. I was close to battling with suicidal thoughts but being surrounded by people like Mama Nomaza and Auntie JoJo gave me hope. They invited me to come to Ithuteng to help the kids with their homework.

From September 2019, I started working at Ithuteng as a volunteer. At first it was hard working with kids because I had no experience, but now working with the kids is simple, when you put your heart into it.

From 2019 I can say I have improved so much because I know the qualities of being a leader and working in a team. My communication skills have also improved so much. These were all things I struggled with before. Working under pressure was very hard for me, but now it’s like tying my own shoes. I can proudly call myself a tutor because of the knowledge and training I have received so far.

I can’t imagine myself without Ithuteng! I believe now I am a good role model to some girls in my community because I have been moulded by Ithuteng’s LIV Lanseria management team. I have also had the privilege to learn some skills like typing, printing and basic administration like emails, this will hopefully come in very useful in my future. I hope every teenager can see the change that LIV Lanseria is creating and benefit from it just as much as I did.

With the knowledge I have now, I want to say LIV Lanseria changes the lives of people like me, helps improve those lives and creates opportunities.”

- Evon Mofokeng
LIV Families

LIV Families is a residential programme for children who are placed in foster care by the department of social development.

LIV Families focuses on being part of the solution in providing a healthy family for children previously at risk. The programme offers services of an afterschool programme, transport to local schools, housing for the families, and a safe environment for children to be raised with care and love. Few children are in need of extra educational support so they are placed in schools that are suited for their educational needs.

From our LIV Families programme we have seen some children come through the foster care system to give back to LIV Lanseria. Currently we have four adults who were raised at LIV Lanseria giving back to the organization in different capacities such as volunteer coordinating, office assistance, landscaping, and afterschool tutoring. We are thankful for these irreplaceable assets to the organization as they hold a deep perspective in what it means to be raise in a village and are now helping the village to be better for the future leaders of South Africa.
El Roi Baby Home

El Roi Baby Home opened its doors in October 2012. Named for “the God who sees us”, El Roi is a place where we provide a safe and loving home for babies on their way to adoption. We are currently able to care for up to 15 babies who are on the road to permanency either through reunification or through local and inter-country adoption placements. We seek to create a home environment where our babies receive all the things they need to have a healthy, loving and balanced start to life. This is done through intentional bonding therapy and kangaroo care, daily one-on-one stimulation and physical therapies, on-site medical supervision and quality staffing.

A BEAUTIFUL STORY:

Ever since Baby N turned 3 he has asked regularly “When will my family be coming?” and despite our best efforts there were challenges like COVID and an incorrect Birth Certificate that have kept his adoption from becoming a reality. Every time he asked this question, we would respond, “When Jesus says ‘YES’ to your family coming to get you, then we will say ‘YES’ and then they will come fetch you. In XX we finally had the privilege and joy of sitting Baby N down to tell him of his upcoming adoption and introduce him to his family’s profile and welcome videos, we asked him if he had a guess as to what we wanted to show him. He immediately replied, “Did Jesus say YES?” – we are so grateful that even at this early age we can be directing our children to the heart of Christ and teaching them to trust His perfect plans for their lives. Baby N has happily joined his Forever Family and we praise God for His faithfulness that will follow him wherever he goes.

82 babies since 2012
7 reunited families
65 adoptions in total
The best way to make children good is to make them happy.

- Oscar Wilde
Refilwe Preschool

The first 1000 days are the most formative days of any child’s life. The preschool has continued to focus on these days, cultivating an environment with Jesus at the center and developing children.

We have been fortunate to have three interns and two international volunteers in our school, allowing a teacher and a teacher’s assistant per classroom. The additional staff allows each teacher more one-on-one time to advance their development with each child. We continue to provide breakfast, snacks, and lunch each day to assist with the nutritional needs of the children. Nutrition is closely linked to brain development, and meeting the children’s daily requirements is essential.

In December, we hosted our annual Preschool Concert with a few COVID restrictions to see how our future leaders have grown in confidence. Thirteen graduates were school ready and equipped with valuable tools to take on Grade 1. Every year our graduates announce the career they desire to pursue when they grow up. Our first preschool class enters Matric in 2023, so we look forward to seeing if they achieved their goal.

Five of our teachers passed their NQF Level 4 Early Childhood Development course, and some other teachers are studying for their NQF level 5. The upliftment of our teachers has already benefited our children with the new skills the teachers learned and has allowed our teachers to grow in confidence. We are thankful to our staff, who continue to support and encourage our little ones.

Our other teachers are studying for their NQF level 5.

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Ithuteng Afterschool

Ithuteng is a community afterschool centre, a place where children get assistance with their school work, with the focus being on English and Maths.

We always start our days with prayer and when the children have completed their homework or revision, we hand out snacks.

In order to run the programme we also depend on our community and international volunteers. These volunteers have all received training, equipping them with the skills required to help these children.

We also offer additional support to our matriculants in the form of helping them find an internship or learnership. We hope that this will be a good stepping stone to them furthering their education.

Swap Shop
The recycle swap shop forms part of our afterschool, and teaches the children to be independent. They collect and bring recyclable weight (e.g. glass bottles, plastic bottles, tins, cardboard) that is weighed and swapped for tokens that allow them to “purchase” things from our store (e.g. stationery, basic food items, and toiletries). We have seen so much success through the swap shop,
Children’s Ministry

Children’s Ministries believes that no star can shine it’s brightest unless they know God and who they are in Him. Children’s Ministries exists to introduce the children of the village, the children of our neighboring informal settlement (the Joe Slovo settlement), and any other children from the immediate surrounding community around LIV Lanseria to God. To God’s great plan of salvation through Jesus Christ, to God’s great plan for their lives and the great value and worth that each and every one of them has as a result.

Kids Club is our weekly Children’s Church for the kids of the village and the community. We value time spent with our kids and showing them not just telling our kids who God is. So we start each Kids Club with a play time where we can interact with our kids and build relationships with them. Our service then consists of worship songs, Memory verses that have been set to rhythms and chants to make learning fun. We then tell an interactive Bible story that introduces a topic that we will then go deeper with at our four weekly Bible studies which are spread across our two after-schools and different age groups. Our Holiday Club programme is the final major part of our programme and they are like five Kids Clubs condensed into one week, with five stories usually all from one Bible character, five connected lessons and five new memory verses. The crafts, sports and games we do along with our Bible stories along with the lunch and snacks we provide each day and our friendly team spirit competitions makes our Holiday Clubs the most popular thing Children’s Ministries does while also being one of our most effective ways of sharing the love of Christ with our kids.
Teen Ministry

In our teen ministry, we show our teens God’s love, we listen to their needs, have fun together, come alongside them when they struggle and tell them about their identity in Christ, his great love, sacrifice, and plan for them.

Anyone interested is taught everything important about what it means to be a follower of Jesus and we practice worship, prayer and reading and understanding the bible together.

All our teens are encourage to work on their leadership skills as they help the adults to run Kids Club on a Saturday. We give them responsibility, believe in them, and hold them accountable so they have room to grow and try new things in a safe space. We want to see our teens enabled to become the new generations of leaders in South Africa!

Alpha course

In our Alpha courses we take 12 afternoons and one Saturday to spend time together and go through the most important topics of Christian faith like Jesus, the cross, the bible, prayer, church and so on. We eat together, have fun, watch the content of the day in an Alpha video and then discuss it in small groups and maybe take some time for worship, reflection or prayer.

It has been great to see our teens open up and ask lots of questions about Jesus, the bible and what it means to be a Christians. The biggest impact was probably the light of truth that was shone unto many false beliefs and assumptions, as half-truths and lies about Christianity are far spread and woven into ancestral belief systems.

Discipleship Groups

Out of the last Alpha course, with the former attendees, we have started our two discipleship groups in 2022 – one for the boys and one for the girls. We meet in the groups weekly and offer mentoring / discipleship training for those teens that after hearing all the basics in the Alpha course what to apply this to their own lives and live as followers of Christ. We teach them how to read and understand the bible, how to pray and nurture their personal relationship with Jesus; so they can live victoriously in their identity as children of the Most High and followers of Christ.

30 - 50 teens at weekly bible study group

14 attended Apha in 2021

35 children at youth camp

2 new discipleship groups
Volunteers Programme

The volunteers programme utilises volunteers to help address community needs or help solve problems and provide support to all the different programmes. From trained occupational therapists in the baby home, to assistants in the afterschool programmes. We also get community service volunteers doing weeding and planting of vegetables for the community and for the families in the village.

We have a variety of different volunteers:

**Residential Volunteers** join us for a time frame of one year and are immersed in village life while fulfilling their work roles, including attending village events, bible studies, and enjoying their life in the volunteers accommodation.

**Local Volunteers** are people living off site who commit to dedicate some of their time to volunteer and do practical tasks or come out to volunteer on Saturdays or at Kids Club.

**International Groups** tend to come through the winter period for a week or two, coming to do some small short projects such as Renovating or helping out at the holiday Club.

**HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED?**
Are you bored of just sitting at home throughout the covid-19 period? Thinking of how to get back out there? Looking to get your hands dirty or to volunteer some of your time? Not a problem, we’ve got your back! For more information contact volunteers@liv-lanseria.com

8 day volunteers
7 residential volunteers
4 local volunteers
Story of Hope

Happy Birthday!

Our ministry began in a vision given by God to two ladies, Jean Stewart and Yvonne Jaques. In April 1991 they started a clinic on a small site in the vicinity of the Lanseria Airport. From this grew a wider ministry to people living in financial poverty in the area, including training in needlework, a school, and a hospice for people who are terminally ill. In November 2005, we moved onto the present site to LIV Lanseria, previously known as Refilwe Community Project. This has made possible the expansion and work which is now the focus at LIV Lanseria - to spread the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, by addressing critical needs.

In April 2021, we celebrated our 30th Birthday by hosting an event for many of our donors, staff, volunteers, and old friends of the organisation. The day of celebrating started with many hundreds of balloons being blown up by three of our volunteers (most of which didn’t last), the site team assisted in setting up the outside area before going home to get ready for the event. Awards were given to the best dressed, so everyone went above and beyond! Another award given was to our longest standing foster parents who have been with us for 12 years!

The leadership team shared some words, a pre-recorded interview with the founders of Refilwe Community Project about the history and future hopes for the organisation was shown, along with live music, popcorn, snacks, and of course cake! It was a very successful day and everyone felt cherished and appreciated for all their hard work in the organisation!

Our thanks go out to all our donors. Their support has encouraged and motivated our team to work even harder, and we continue with our commitment in reaching and touching many lives in our community. Here’s to another 30 years!

Together we can!
## INCOME STATEMENT

**YEAR END MARCH 2022**

### INCOME

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### EXPENDITURE

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**Net Surplus/(Deficit)**

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“If a child lives with acceptance and friendship, he learns to find love in the world.”

- Dorothy Nolte
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