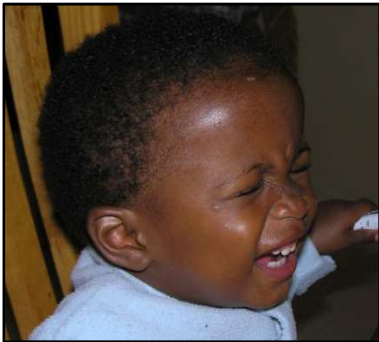


## Family Life

Rorisang is settling in nicely and we are thoroughly enjoying our new house. It is lovely to have space to ourselves, a garden the children can play in and an inside toilet.



**Rorisang is a wee chatterbox. At times she just dissolves into giggles at something she finds funny.**

We are taking a couple of weeks over Christmas to go north to meet my brother and his family who are coming to South Africa for a visit. I am really looking forward to the break, and Palesa is very excited about seeing Cousin Matthew again. My friend Sue is coming with me – she is from New Zealand, has been here since September last year and is working in the preschool at MIS. She is such a blessing to me here and I thank God for such a good friend. He does know our every need and it is lovely to have someone to do things with.



**Palesa and her friend Tiva enjoy dressing up.**

## The Unit



There are now three boys living in the Unit and it is going very well. The third boy has settled really well, and is looking forward to going to school in the New Year. All the boys are growing towards God, thanks to Samuel's dedication and passion for leading them spiritually. The boys spend weekends at Church activities with Sam and Metsing and really enjoy them.

I am hoping in the Christmas holiday from school to spend some time with the boys making cards and other crafts to sell. Maybe you will get the opportunity to buy one – we will see how it goes!

We are also planning for two of the boys to go home for a night or two during the Christmas holiday. This is a huge step and we pray for its success.



I am really encouraged by the support and commitment of the local guys that are working with us. This to my mind is the first step on the way to sustainability – if we can empower local people to help the disadvantaged in their communities and to fulfill the vision that God has given them, then that is surely a way to build something that will go on even after we leave. Now that the unit is up and running, a lot of the work I am currently doing is guiding, leading and developing the staff that we have. Please pray about this.

**Jonnie tending to the potatoes in our garden**

# Some of the things your contribution has supported in Maseru over the past year



- Renovating, decorating and resourcing a property to house the boys
- Monthly rent for the property
- A safe and secure home for 3 boys, including all food, utilities, beds, bedding, toiletries, clothing and leisure
- A full-time house father to look after the boys, to counsel them and to show them love
- School uniform and/or books for six children so that they can go to school
- Transport so that the boys can go to church and to church related activities
- Setting up vegetable gardens for two families and for the boys' home
- Gardening tools
- Bibles for some of the children
- Food for twenty boys on the street twice a week (on average)
- Food for a term for three boys attending vocational college
- Medical provision for boys on street, including wound cleaning, antibiotics, treatment for burns and care for infected injuries
- Medical provision for a mother of one of the street boys
- Renovation of a door to secure a family home
- Regular food for three families of street boys
- Twenty laying chickens, feed and a cage
- Transport to visit boys' families and keep boys in touch with their families
- Mattress for the boys sleeping rough
- Balls and other social team building resources
- Socks for some street boys



## How you have helped the Boys Living on the Streets of Maseru

- Shoes for some street boys
- Some clothes for the boys on the street
- Soap for boys on the street
- Resources for crafts for income generation ideas
- TV and DVD player for the Unit
- Vehicle for transporting boys and accessing villages in the rain
- Five Fun and Motivational Days
- A blanket each for the boys sleeping on the street (in liaison with Youth for Christ)
- Toys for MIS
- Skipping ropes and balls for Ntate Vincent's
- A sofa for the unit
- Enabling me to be here to pray for and with the boys, highlight their situations in Maseru and beyond and find ways to help each of the boys under seventeen individually



**Many, many thanks for your support.**

**We have big plans for the coming year and thank you for your continued support.**

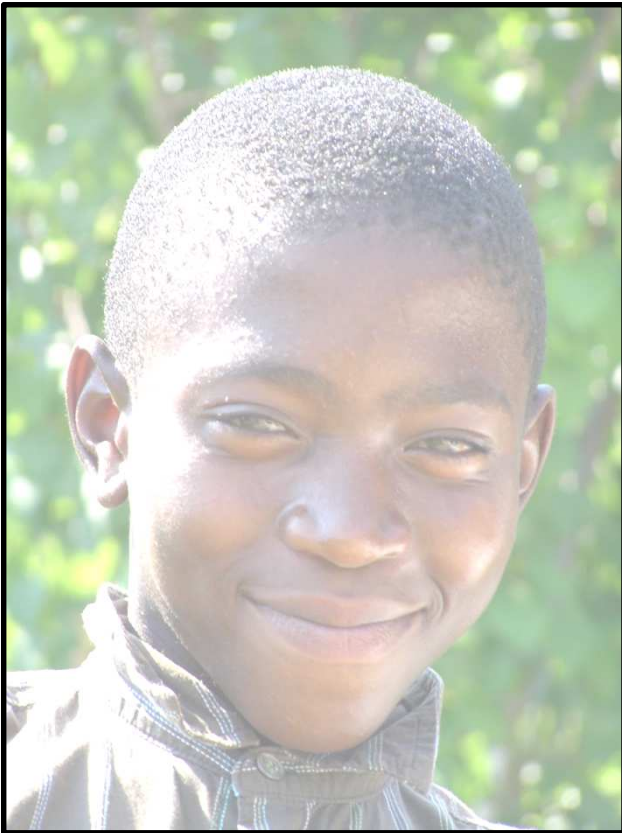
**Thanks to you, Christmas will be a little better for these boys this year.**

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS FROM LESOTHO**





# The Boys in our unit...



**Thabelo - moved in November 2009**



**Tankiso - moved in August 2009**



**Tsebang - comes to the unit during the day**



**Tsepiso - moved in September 2009**