

# **MANYANANI MISSION NPC**

## **Purpose Statement**

The MANYANANI MISSION (MM) works to extend community improvement support by primarily starting and building churches, Children's Homes, AIDS Care facility and teenage/adult classrooms for skill enhancements. In addition, we provide early childhood education, teacher training, AIDS care giver training and adult work skills development as resources and locations keep increasing.

MM provides spiritual, educational and nutritional support to orphaned and vulnerable children in disadvantaged communities and villages in and around East London. We focus on pre-school children as a strategy to establish a solid foundation and positively influence children during this phase of rapid growth and development to make a life-long impact. In our Children's Homes (Khulanathi), we care for foster children from infants to 18 years old. After matric, we explore further education possibilities on an individual basis, or employment as the case may be. A further extension of our programme that we intend to implement is a "half-way" facility for older children and young adults as they enter life beyond our current care.

Our young child programme comprises the following sections:

1. Training of child caretakers
2. Nutritional support & feeding of children
3. Infrastructure development of educare centres
4. Community and parent engagement, including parenting workshops.
5. Preschool teacher training

MM additionally finances and constructs:

6. Children's foster homes, which have a dedicated House Mother caring for 6-8 children, forming a stable family unit. We currently have six such homes.
7. AIDS care home for patients too vulnerable for further hospital stay and no family support.
8. Church and preschool buildings for sustained impact in underprivileged communities. One of the buildings is converted into a bakery.
9. Classrooms for sewing and computer literacy training.

We recruit and mentor capable persons to take pastoral roles for church planting, congregation establishing and general overarching community support, AIDS care in a home setting with trained, loving staff as well as extensive outreach to patients in communities in which MM is established.