



Global Cane Outreach

Equipping the Blind and Sharing God's Love

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Prayer Requests:

Support and direction. Pray that God would reveal where He would have us go and what He would have us do. Pray also or new supporters.

One time donations, regular monthly support or the sponsoring of canes and audio Bibles can be sent to P.O. Box 66872 Scotts Valley, CA. 95067-7361



Greetings! Since the last newsletter, Global Can Outreach and I have been busy preparing for the trip to South Africa. Now that the trip has come and gone, my head and heart are full of the stories and needs that arose from our time there.

On February 7th, a team including myself, GCO board President Mike Snyder, Ron Rickabaugh, Debbie Fagundas, Kim Chestnut, Carol Brooks, Teri Gardner, Oscar James, Dan Verinski and Kathy Ellis headed to South Africa to partner with Walk in the Light Ministries. No person was unchanged by the experiences from this trip and I am thankful to God for all that He did in and through us while we were there.

One highlight of the trip for me was being able to spend time with Siyamthanda. I was able to love on him like any other grandmother would love on her grandchild; spoiling him with hugs and presents. It was really special to observe him play with the audible soccer ball I gave him. During the trip, we also visited the Arthur Blaxall School for the Blind. This is the school Siyamthanda attends through the contributions of GCO. Being able to visit the school and minister to the other children there, as well as distribute the canes, talking calculators and Wikki Sticks we had brought with us was so rewarding. Even though we were only able to spend two hours there, much love was poured out on some 200 young children through games like the Hokey Pokey, Kickball and Simon Says, as well as through the retelling of the story of Daniel in the Lion's Den. Visiting Thokozani was another highlight for me. He is doing exceptionally well; traveling around town frequently and visiting his neighbors. Last year it was uncertain whether or not we would see him again but God still has a purpose for him here on earth; as evidenced by the life and joy pouring out of him. Praise God for his display of power in Thokozani!

We are pleased to report that a braille writer was donated to GCO from the Boston area. Manual writers are a great option for less developed countries where electricity and computers are not always available. It is our hope that this braille writer will be the first of many manual braille writers no longer used by blind individuals in America. Other devices too; like low vision magnification aids, talking watches, talking clocks and the like would be a welcome donation to GCO for us to distribute in South Africa and other nations and are every bit as useful as money for donations.

Currently, Siyamthanda is in need of surgery to remove the tumors behind his eyes, which are the cause of his reoccurring illnesses. GCO has decided to pay for the surgery to remove and replace his eyes with artificial ones. Please consider donating to this specific need. The total cost, U.S. dollar-wise is \$600. (As always, any donations above and beyond these needs will go to the general fund of canes and audio Bibles, unless otherwise specified).

Thank you for partnering with me in meeting the needs of the blind and illiterate.
Bevie

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