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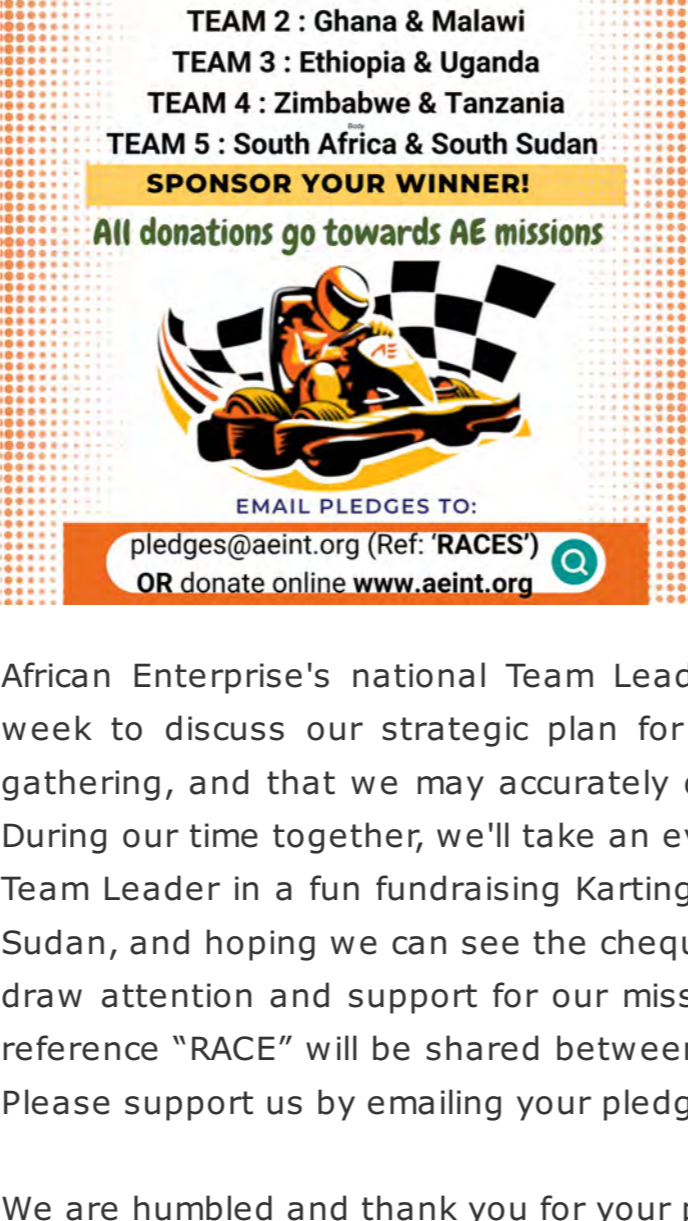
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From The Team Leader

Dear friends,

Hope you are well and warmed by the fire of the Gospel, amidst the cold winter chills. Luke 24:32 And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?"

We are halfway through the year already, and many are on leave at the moment, making good use of the school holidays. Our own Foxfire youth team members are also on their well-deserved mid-year break after hosting a successful youth leader camp in June. I hope you are also making some time to recharge ahead of a second semester that I'm sure will be even busier than the first...as it usually is! For us, we are looking ahead to our Johannesburg mission in September, preceded by an Evangelism Expo in August, and Evangelism Training in July (all happening in Johannesburg). For more information on any of these events, please email info@ae.org.za



African Enterprise's national Team Leaders will be coming together in Nairobi next week to discuss our strategic plan for the next 5 years. Please pray for this key gathering, and that we may accurately discern the Lord's will for the AE partnership. During our time together, we'll take an evening off and be teaming up with another AE Team Leader in a fun fundraising Karting race! I'll be teamed up with Alex from South Sudan, and hoping we can see the chequered flag before the other teams. We wish to draw attention and support for our missions for this year, and all donations with the reference "RACE" will be shared between the 12 national team missions across Africa. Please support us by emailing your pledges to pledges@aeint.org

We are humbled and thank you for your partnership and prayers!

Much love,

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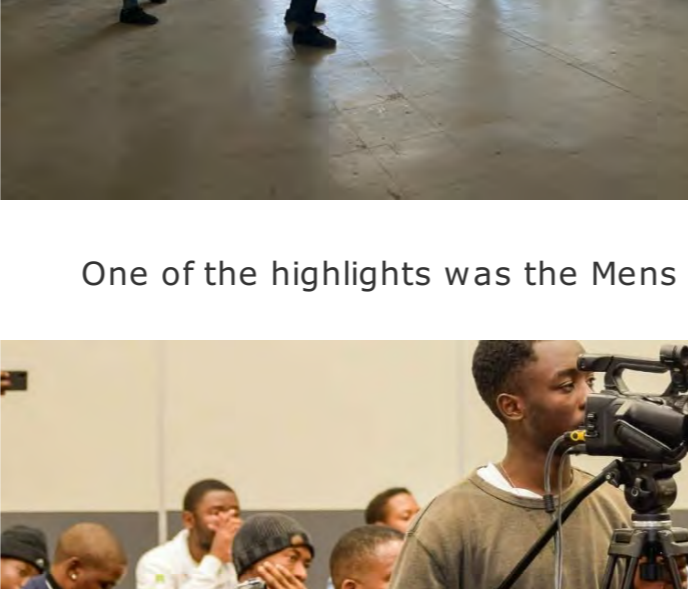


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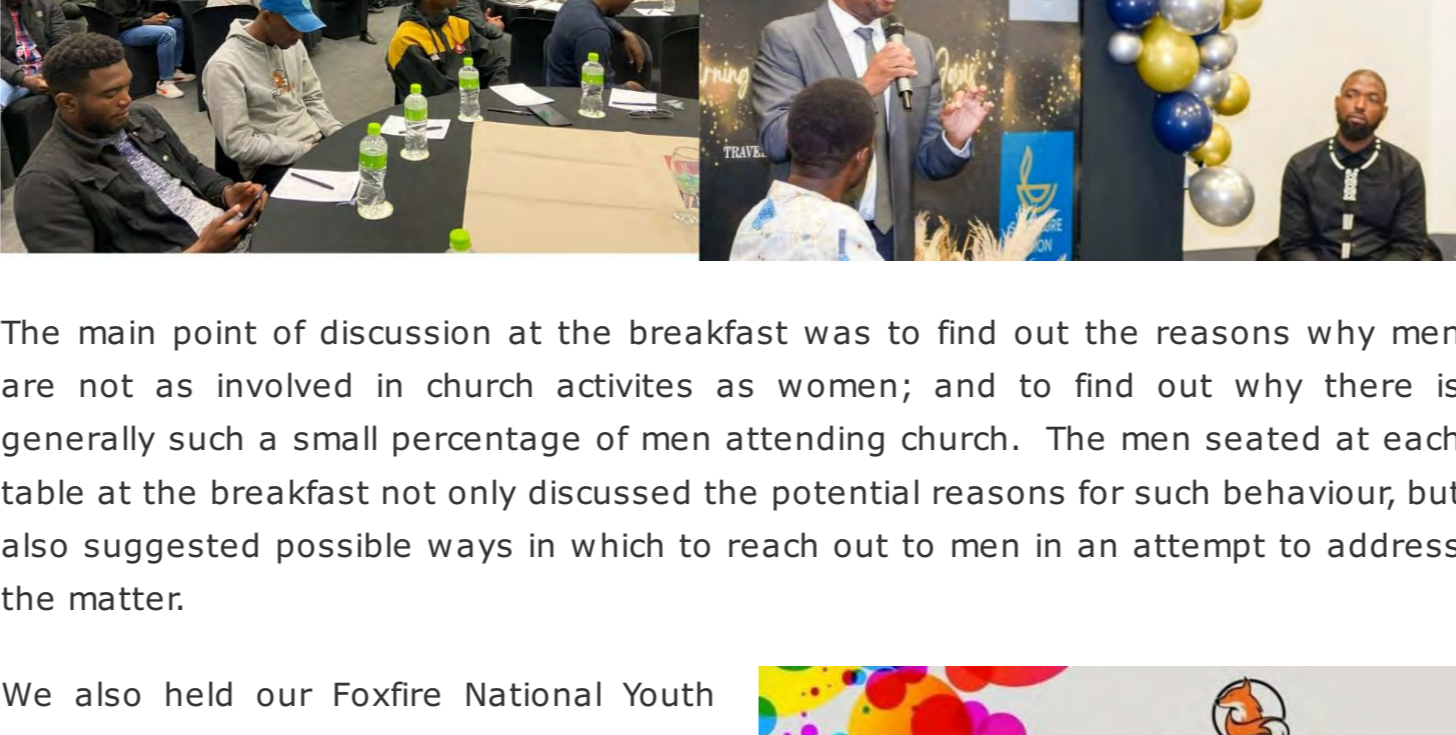
Foxfire News

Greetings AE family

This month has been both busy and exciting as we were on mission in Botswana (31st May - 10th June), where the Lord really moved. We had the opportunity to minister in schools and to go about street ministry.



One of the highlights was the Mens Breakfast that was held on the Saturday.



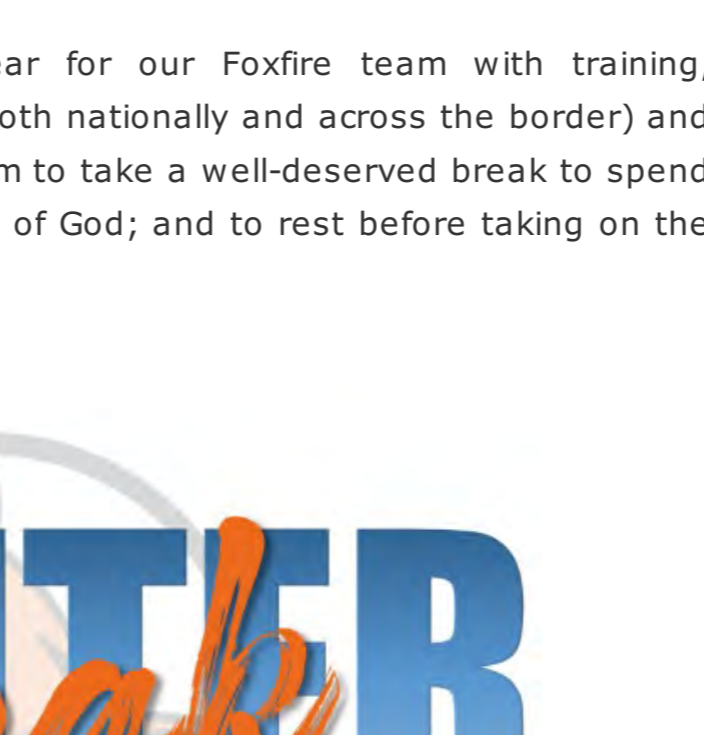
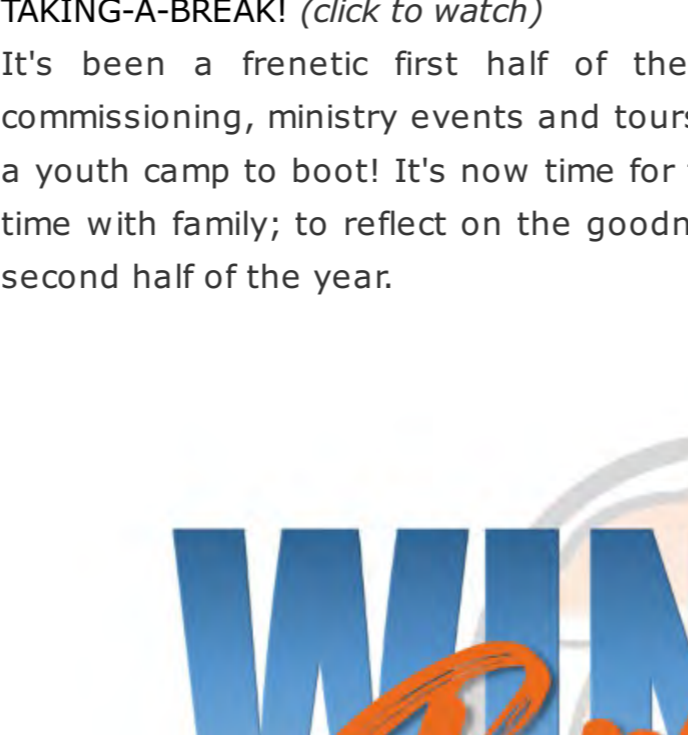
The main point of discussion at the breakfast was to find out the reasons why men are not as involved in church activities as women; and to find out why there is generally such a small percentage of men attending church. The men seated at each table at the breakfast not only discussed the potential reasons for such behaviour, but also suggested possible ways in which to reach out to men in an attempt to address the matter.

We also held our Foxfire National Youth Camp, themed 'Set Apart', in partnership with Heartlines, Scripture Union and Alpha Youth. The program covered a range of topics such as:

- Women in Ministry
- Why Evangelism?
- The Importance of Music
- The Power of Testimony
- Reaching Schools for Jesus
- Fathers Matter
- Mental Health
- Health and Fitness

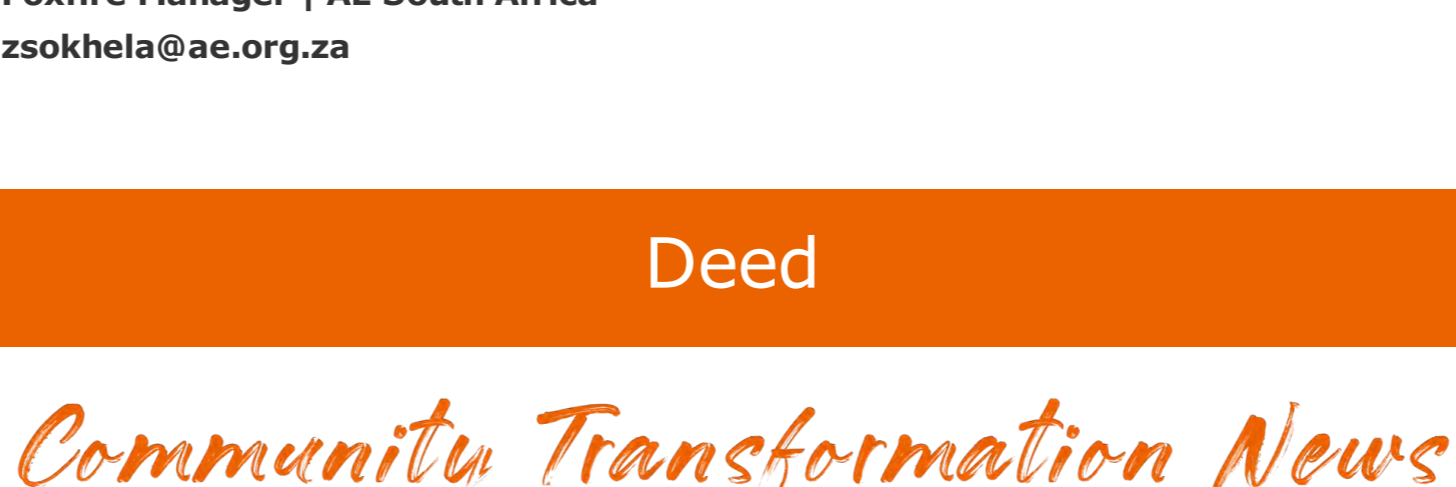


This was truly an awesome experience and we are excited that the Foxfire National Youth Camp will take place annually. Some youth leaders share their experience of the camp. (click-click on 'youth leaders' to view!)



TAKING-A-BREAK! (click to watch)

It's been a frenetic first half of the year for our Foxfire team with training, commissioning, ministry events and tours (both nationally and across the border) and a youth camp to boot! It's now time for them to take a well-deserved break to spend time with family; to reflect on the goodness of God; and to rest before taking on the second half of the year.



We would like to thank all who continue to support us financially or through prayer. If you would like to sow into our ministry please see the banking details below:

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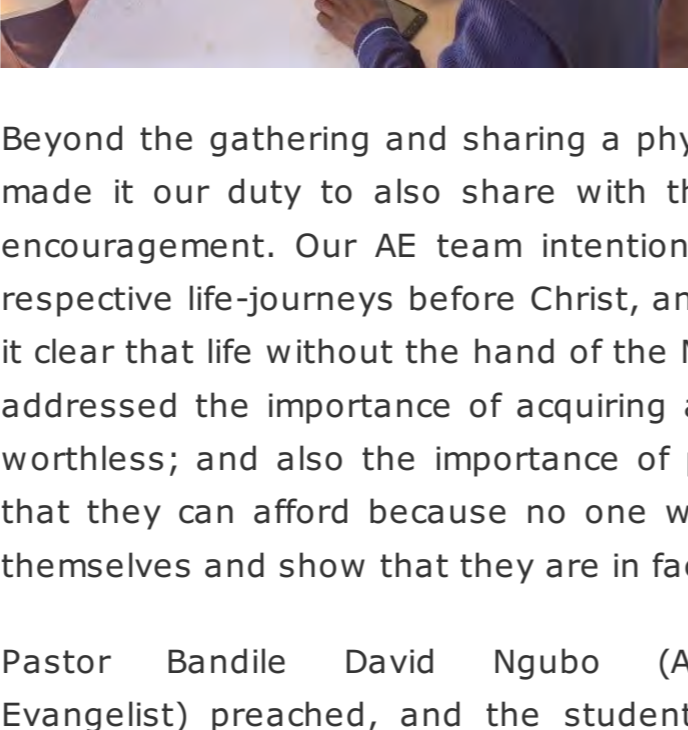
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Community Transformation News

STUDENT BECOMES TEACHER!

"Magic is believing in yourself, and if you can do that, you can make anything happen." - Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe



It is an incredible testimony that a former student of our social action project 'Nyawonhle' (which empowers unemployed men with a skill in shoe repair) is now a facilitator of the project. Thobeka Justice Masele ('Thotho' as he prefers to be called) was an excellent student of the February 2024 cohort (which was in Mqongqo) and is passionate about this skill he has learnt, having gone on to open a small business and now availing himself to teach others. Not only is he good with his hands, but is also a motivational speaker living with a disability. He says that being unemployed is no reason to 'be lazy and starve. One needs to use God given mind and hands to put a meal on the table.' Thotho has made us proud!

Beyond the gathering and sharing a physical skill with the gents in Sweetwaters, we made it our duty to also share with them life skills and social skills, with spiritual encouragement. Our AE team intentionally shared our personal testimonies of our respective life-journeys before Christ, and our lives now, walking with Christ - making it clear that life without the hand of the Most-High God will surely be a life wasted. We addressed the importance of acquiring a skill, even with little things that might look worthless; and also the importance of people starting small business with the little that they can afford because no one will help a person who can't even try to help themselves and show that they are in fact trying.



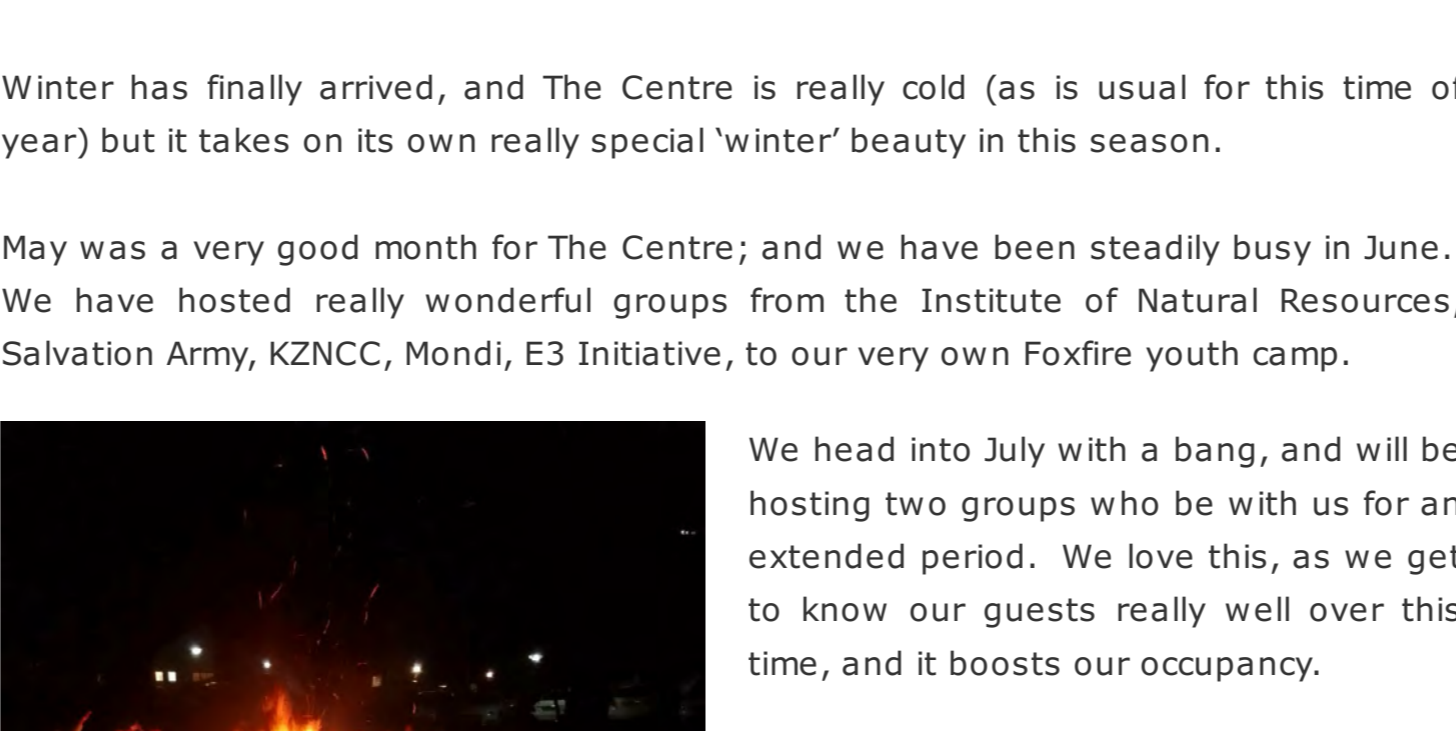
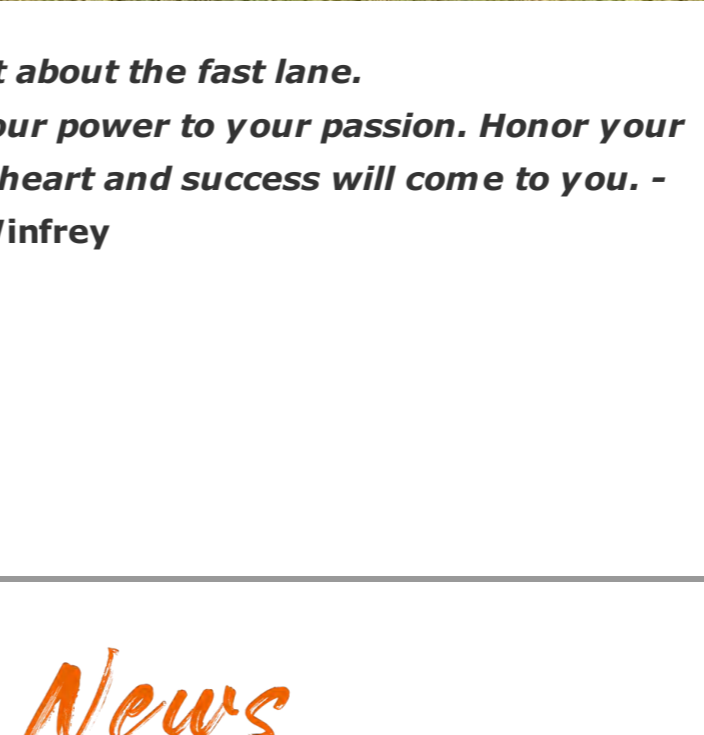
Pastor Bandle David Ngubo (AE Evangelist) preached, and the students accepted Christ - a most beautiful thing to witness. Our prayer is that seed that was planted may grow in each and every one of them.



The 10-day course duration was over in a flash! The group was very happy with the end results and exited when the day of their graduation dawned. "Some of them even went on to say that never before have they committed to something and saw it through to the end; and that they are grateful because amongst all that they have learnt, they have also learnt to start and finish on a high note."



Graduation Day (picture right) with our guest speaker Zweilhe Sokhela (Foxfire manager and Deputy CEO of AESA) who shared a word of wisdom and encouragement with the students. He then handed them their well-deserved certificates (picture below).



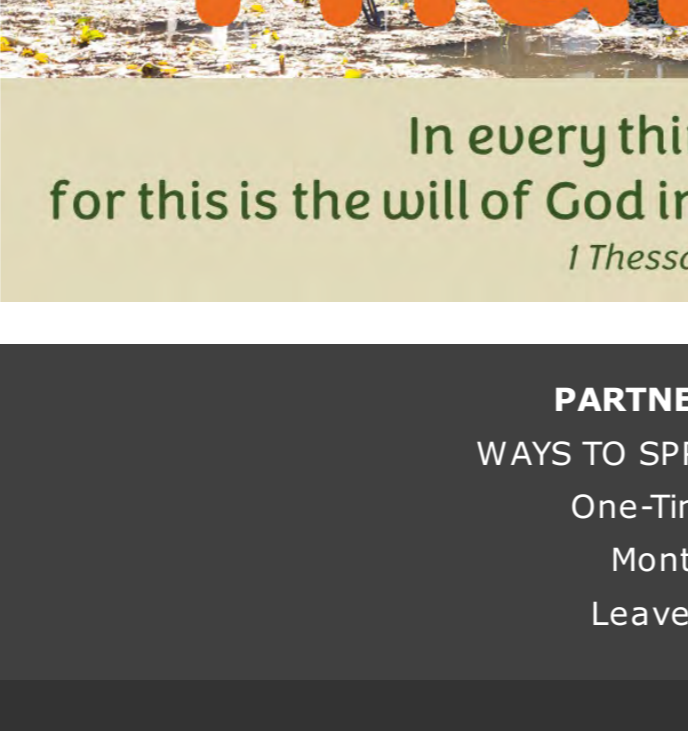
So, I say to you, forget about the fast lane. If you really want to fly, just harness your power to your passion. Honor your calling. Everybody has one. Trust your heart and success will come to you. - Oprah Winfrey

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Centre News

Winter has finally arrived, and the Centre is really cold (as is usual for this time of year) but it takes on its own really special 'winter' beauty in this season.

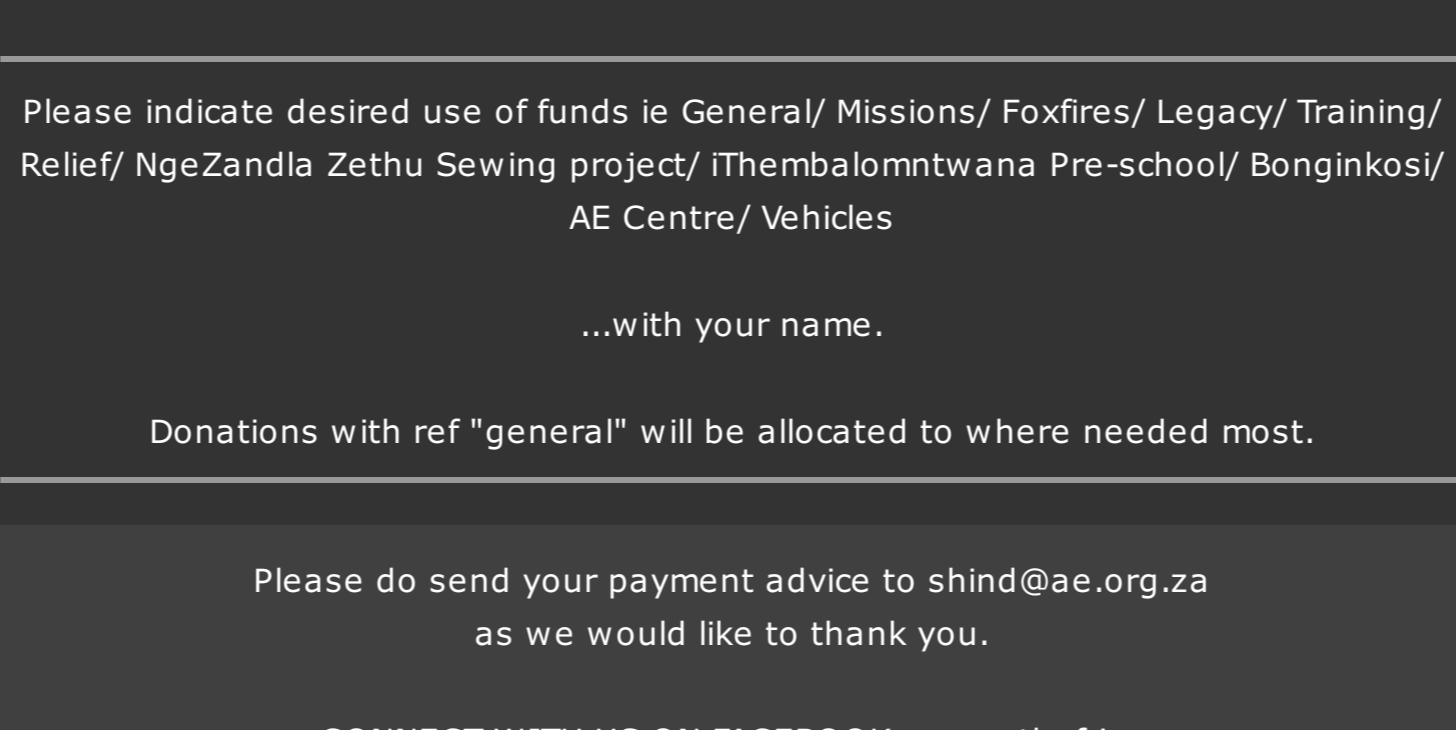
May was a very good month for The Centre; and we have been steadily busy in June. We have hosted really wonderful groups from the Institute of Natural Resources, Salvation Army, KZNCC, Mondl, E3 Initiative, to our very own Foxfire youth camp.



We head into July with a bang, and will be hosting two groups who be with us for an extended period. We love this, as we get to know our guests really well over this time, and it boosts our occupancy. It is hard to believe that we are already over half way through the year, and it is downhill till Christmas. Be blessed and please continue to pray for us.

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Dear Friends, we would like to stand in faith with you for your prayer needs, so we invite you to send prayer requests to prayer@ae.org.za



In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you 1 Thessalonians 5:18

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