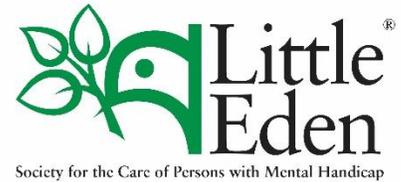


Harvesters of Jesus



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The Association of the Harvesters of Jesus was established in order to provide the regular daily spiritual needs of the LITTLE EDEN Society. It is firmly believed that without such support, LITTLE EDEN would wither.

Noah's ark – is it the Covid-19 story?

I don't have enough fingers and toes to count the number of people that I know personally who have died or suffered a loss of a family member at the hands of COVID-19. We are continually living in fear for our own lives and the lives of those we care about.

As the second wave of the coronavirus in South Africa slowly but surely gains momentum, we could spend every waking moment being grateful for the air in our lungs...literally! One can see and feel fear behind the masks covering our faces; fear is written in the body language of the person standing in front of you in a queue as they turn back to check if the person behind is maintaining social distancing. At times we are even scared to answer our phones in fear of receiving the dreaded terrible news.

I was chatting with my mother recently and sharing with her the negative impact of this pandemic, especially at LITTLE EDEN and how grateful we are that most of the residents and staff who have been infected so far with the virus, were asymptomatic. She then reminded me of the story from the bible about Noah, who was instructed by God to build an ark. She said "The current situation is very similar to the story of Noah. People were urged to get on the ark so that they could be safe from the coming floods; but many failed to listen, and so they suffered the consequences. The only difference with the current story is that even those who adhere to the precautionary measures are dying because of those who fail or refuse to listen." Sadly, this is true.

Let us change the narrative, if not for ourselves, then for the next person.

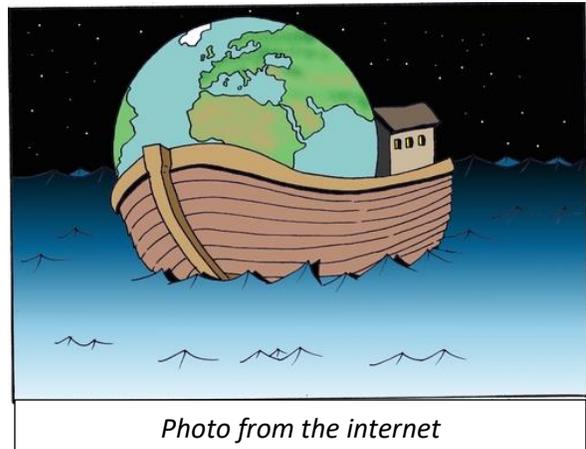


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Daily prayer for the needs of LITTLE EDEN Society

Jesus, Great Harvester, who desires the salvation of all mankind, accept the offering of my life and work in assisting You to help garner the fields for the harvest. Teach me compassion, understanding and love for those most in need. Bless our Association; strengthen the bonds of love and charity amongst us, so that with hearts united we may say "Thy kingdom come". Mary, comfort of the afflicted, pray for us.