

Harvesters of Jesus



Society for the Care of Persons with Mental Handicap

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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.

The beauty of the crown is in the ashes

The title of this article is taken from the saying “beauty from ashes” which, according to Isaiah 61:3, is used to comfort someone who is mourning the death of a loved one or who is going through a difficult time.

The words “The beauty of the crown is in the ashes” were recently used by Nozibele Mayaba, a young motivational speaker, talking about the recent death of the Zulu king, His Royal Highness, Goodwill Zwelithini, and the subsequent discussions over who will succeed the king. Nozibele wondered if the next king already knew he would be next in line. “If he knew, this may be an exciting phase of his life but how sad is it that it has to take the death of one king for the other to take the throne.” she said.



Well, that is life! Using this analogy, the reality of the existence of LITTLE EDEN is that it took the birth of a child with profound intellectual disability for this special Home with a beautiful history to come into being. The background stories of some of our angels are sad and heart-breaking however, through these dark experiences, we have a Society today which is an oasis of *Love & Care* to 300 children and adults with profound intellectual disability. And it is through the prayers and goodness of our supporters that LITTLE EDEN can remain a platform which restores hope for many years to come.

The commemoration of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ this month makes me realise that His story is one of the greatest “Beauty from ashes” historical occurrences, as He had to die for humankind to have hope of everlasting life.

Let us stay present in our life’s journey, even through trying times, as sometimes just like a planted seed, we must go through dark moments in order to emerge as better versions of ourselves. What would you need to do or change to achieve this?

Nichollette Zulu

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.