



## Our family, our ministry, our story

Deuteronomy 31:6  $\sim$  Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you."

### **OUR MINISTRY**

Our ministry is so much more than playing pool or games on a sports field; at its core, our focus and goal are disciple-making. We recently launched a new sports training group with eight young people who desire to grow and become effective leaders. Their discipleship journey began in February as these young men learn to compete as representatives of Christ and discover the Word of God together. We desire that this number grow to sixteen young men over the next several months, with the end goal of seeing a church planted in one of the communities near Manzini.

We recently concluded a well-planned one-month leadership training program with twenty-nine students participating, representing the four main regions of Eswatini: Hhohho, Manzini, Lubombo, and Shiselweni. Our strategy is to reach every community in these regions using sports as a vehicle to plant churches across Eswatini. These students will return for a two-week residential school on August 28th for more training and ministry planning.

Our sports outreach is continuing to reach youth and children in Simunye where twenty-eight boys are being discipled. Sharing Christ with boys is very impactful because every boy in Eswatini goes through a two-month initiation process every year from November to December. Young men and boys from across the country, between the ages of ten and twenty-five, converge near the city of Manzini, where they are taught many things that are not in alignment with Scripture and God's plan for our lives.

Another positive development is the ninety children that our coworker Obed Nhleko is reaching out to in the area of Big Bend, where we are planning to establish a church. Land has been allocated by the local authorities, and they are using the open space for youth and children's discipleship programs. Obed is one of the GMIE (Grace Ministries International in Eswatini) pastors who was trained through our leadership training program.

Our sports teams are doing well, and we are making sure that every player on our teams is growing in the knowledge of Christ even as they compete in the field of play and showcase their God given talent. The girls on our national team represent their families, and they are also good ambassadors for Christ to their families, as their families see their lives transformed through Christ. We have thirty-six girls currently playing at the national level. Our objective is to grow at the national level and use this as a platform to present the gospel of Jesus Christ. We also have ten teams, with twenty-six coaches playing at the lower levels, who are doing well and representing Christ to



their communities.

Edah will be launching a new tailoring class for women on April 24th with six students enrolled. She recently spent time servicing our sewing machines and making preparations for the class. Our basic three-month Tailoring Skills Class is designed to empower the most disadvantaged women in Eswatini to earn an income and better provide for their families. In addition to learning practical skills, we disciple the women using the Discovery Bible Study curriculum. We look forward to seeing both spiritual and economic transformation in the lives of many women through this program.

#### **OUR STORY**

A young man named Lindo Khanyile responded to the gospel message and committed his life to Jesus Christ. Lindo did not grow up with his biological parents, having been abandoned in the streets when he was just a few weeks old. He never knew his biological parents, but like the Good Samaritan, a well-known lawyer who never had any children of her own, took him from the streets and adopted him. Lindo grew up with his adopted mother, who took him to school and cared for his needs. Unfortunately, his adopted mother died, and life became difficult. He dropped out of the university for four years and fell into a life filled with bad decisions that cost him everything he had. Our meeting was the turning point in his life, and he realized he needed a mentor and coach to walk alongside and disciple him.

After walking with him for a while, I sensed that he needed to go back to school. Praise God, he is now back at the university he had dropped out of due to peer pressure and lack of parental support. Lindo is now in his third year at Limkokwin University of Creative Technology, and we are looking forward to seeing him graduate next year and continue to walk with Jesus.

## **PRAYER POINTS:**

- 1. Pray for Lindo to continue growing in the Lord.
- 2. Pray that the Lord will continue to provide adequate financial resources to cover our ministry expenses and the rent for our home, which also serves as our ministry center.
- 3. Pray for the churches that are being planted in strategic locations across Eswatini.
- 4. Pray for the youth and children's discipleship that is taking place.
- 5. Pray for our ministry leaders as they serve in the various regions of Eswatini. These leaders are responsible for church planting and discipleship in their respective regions:
  - · Pastor Vusi Nhleko
  - · Pastor Bonsile Maia
  - · Pastor Walter Dlamini
  - · Nondumiso Khumalo

Thank you for faithfully partnering with us in the ministry in Eswatini! You are an essential part of the ministry here, and we thank the Lord for you!

In Christ,

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