



Dear Jody

The past month has been a whirlwind of activity here at Living Hope and we are thrilled to share some exciting updates with you. The energy is high, the momentum is strong, and we are already witnessing the positive impact of your generosity in action.

**1. Breaking Ground in East London:** We are thrilled to announce that we've broken ground on our new building site in East London! This marks a significant milestone as it allows us to extend our reach to more men, women, children, and vulnerable individuals in the area and into adjoining more rural areas. The new facility will be a hub for the Eastern Cape work, offering Health Care, including HIV counselling, and children's life skills clubs, Maternal Health 1000-day programming, and in the future, we hope to have our Agricultural training running from this location, too.



**2. Backpacks and School Supplies for Kindergarteners:** Again this year, we gifted backpacks and school supplies to kindergarten students in the Eastern Cape and Western Cape, providing them with a firm foundation for their schooling years. Your support has enabled these children to start their education journey equipped with the tools they need to succeed.



**3. Thriving Capri Farm:** Our Agricultural Training Farm in Capri is booming! Our production is up and over 30 new suppliers joined during the holidays, expressing interest in our produce. This success allows us to continue supporting the local community and provides a sustainable source of income for our farm training initiative.



**4. Successful Holiday Drug Recovery Program:** Our holiday drug recovery program ran seamlessly, with not a single client lost to follow-up. As we resumed our regular program in January, we were thrilled to see 100% of the clients return. The gentleman pictured below is former Recovery client who is celebrating 3 years of recovery. He returned to share his story and encourage our current clients to stay the course of sobriety! He provided the treats for the clients.



**5. The Miracle of New Life:** Our staff don't usually find themselves delivering babies, but in the final minutes of labor, our nurse assisted a woman in delivering her baby with the help of two caregivers. This heart-warming moment is a testament to the impact Living Hope has on the lives of those we serve, being in the right place at the right time.

**6. Meeting End-of-Year Fundraising Goals:** Thanks to the grace of God and the generosity of donors like you, we successfully met our end-of-year fundraising goals. This strong start has set the tone for an impactful and successful year ahead.

We can't thank you enough for being integral to our mission. Your support is the driving force behind everything we do, and we are grateful for the positive change we can bring to the lives of those in need.

Wishing you a year filled with joy, prosperity, and continued blessings.

With heartfelt thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victor Thomas".

Victor Thomas  
Executive Director