



Mabopane Foundation

"Dumela!"

("Greetings!" in Tswana, the language of Mabopane, South Africa)

I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me. - Matthew 25:40

Mabopane Foundation is a North Carolina based nonprofit organization created in 2003 to provide funding for Christ-centered care and hope to orphaned and vulnerable children in Mabopane, South Africa. Founding Volunteer Executive Director, Becky Young, serves as a member on the independent, nonprofit South African board for the Ya Bana Village.

Through the sacrificial giving of those willing to invest in the future of orphaned and vulnerable children, we are helping build Ya Bana Village. Our village feeds, clothes, houses, educates, and loves these children. Mabopane is a poor and industrialized township located in the town of Winterveld, within the northwest province of Gauteng, South Africa; neighboring the cities of Johannesburg and Pretoria. Millions of people have settled in the Mabopane area with hopes of finding employment, but jobs are scarce, poverty high, and disease rampant.

Ya Bana, which means "*for the children*", is a village project aimed at providing orphaned and vulnerable children with permanent housing in a family environment. Trained house mothers offer love and structure along with ongoing programs to holistically address emotional, educational, spiritual, and cultural needs. Ya Bana is located in a rural area with limited infra-structure e.g. electricity, water, or roads.

Dedicated volunteers, both here and in South Africa, combined with the resources of those who pray and contribute, have a positive impact on dozens of children. The freely shared, love of Jesus enables many to develop a sense of purpose and belonging. The educational opportunities give the children options for a future and allow them to dream and set goals.

Be a part of building productive and purposeful lives and impact the world!

Join the journey as we hold these children in our hearts and prayers, while working hard to provide a future for them that is full of *hope* and *promise*.