

Mabopane Messenger



Love Gardening?

Perennials will be available for purchase at the May Yard Sale. Come support the mission efforts in Mabopane.

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I SEE YOU!

The majority of Chowan University students are the first individuals in their families to have the opportunity to attend college. Going around the world is just an impossible dream to them. But our God is in the business of impossibilities. And while not an Ivy League school, God sees the students in a small town in eastern NC—clearly.



With an invitation to partner with Forest Hills Baptist Church, students and staff of Chowan embarked on the first-ever international mission trip for the University. The group met with long time volunteer to the Mabopane Foundation, Pam Stephenson, and she encouraged the group, "If you can do anything for the children of Lotus Home, it is to See them, really See them." The world calls these children "orphans" but God sees precious sons and daughters—clearly.

It was amazing to watch as the team of students and the children of Mabopane fell totally in love with each other. Each student borrowed the eyes of God to look past stereotypes, poverty, illness, abandonment and barbed wire to see vibrant, courageous, hopeful, gorgeous children. God clearly witnessed this love fest and smiled.

Highlights of the trip included painting the boy's residence, worshipping together, celebrating Christ's birth with a Christmas party, making memories while coloring, playing soccer, singing, dining, cooking, laughing and being the family of GOD! It was a glimpse of how the family of God should look and we are thankful that God let us tag along!

An opportunity for caring persons to enjoy a day of golf & fellowship while benefiting Children of the Mabopane Foundation

*Please visit www.mabopanekids.org for more information or to complete the registration brochure. Entry fee is \$100 and includes participation in all events on the schedule.

Registration deadline is Friday, May 28

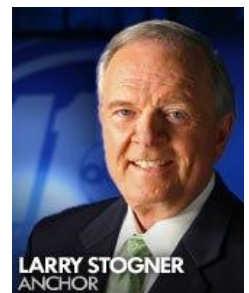
Schedule:

Thursday, June 3—7:00pm Pairing Party and Live Auction
Friday, June 4—8:00am Continental Breakfast & Practice Balls
9:00am—Shotgun start—modified scramble format
4 Players with a Celebrity—Snacks/beverages on the course
2:00pm—Awards Ceremony & Reception
Outstanding prizes: Longest drive & closest to pin

If you don't play golf, you can still participate in the pairing party and auction. There will be many wonderful items available! Or, volunteer to help!

Honorary Chairperson:

Larry Stogner



LARRY STOGNER
ANCHOR



Mission Yard Sale!
Second Saturday of Each Month
(Open the Friday before also)
3913 Hwy 64
Apex, NC 27502

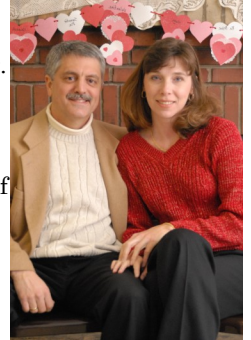
(Donation drop off under shelter behind house)
Want more information? Contact Becky Young at
919-326-2722 or e-mail mabopanekids@nc.rr.com

The cornerstone of the Mabopane Foundation is prayer. Please support the children who have stolen our hearts with your daily prayer so that they may know they are loved and valued by God. It is our sincere desire to empower them to build purposeful and productive lives for their future. Caring for their basic needs gives them an opportunity to succeed.

Volunteer Spotlight

Laura & Todd Horton

Married for over 16 years, Laura and Todd work side by side at the monthly yard sales. They have two children, ages 12 and 7 and enjoy camping. They are active in their church, Bells Baptist and enjoy serving the children of Mabopane by giving their time & effort. We appreciate all our volunteers!



Ya Bana

New Addition to the Mabopane Foundation!



You can now view hundreds of gently used books in our new Mabopane Bookmobile! It will be parked at each monthly yard sale and you might even see it at a flea market in the days ahead.

It's official.....The Good Hope Community Home for Children has a name! And, it is just not any name. In Tswana it means "for the children". How fitting!

Mabopane Foundation President, Becky Young recently visited Mabopane, South Africa, to cement the plans for Phase One of the Ya Bana project.

We thank Stanley Young for all his work to get it in tip top shape for our use. "All Booked Up" in Apex has volunteered to give the exterior of the bookmobile a facelift. We are looking forward to results! Again, the children in Mabopane benefit from our volunteers!

Phase One will include: 8 cottages in village style settings, renovation of a building which will be used for administration, storage building renovation, Early Childhood Learning Center, sports field and gardening area, outdoor pavilion and a house specifically designed to care for babies. It is exciting to watch and learn of God's plan that is coming together.

Please visit our website at www.mabopanekids.org to stay up to date on all the activities surrounding the Mabopane Foundation. Encourage a friend to become involved and don't forget to keep praying!

Official drawings will be available soon and will be shared with Mabopane Foundation partners. Be on the lookout for more communication in the days ahead. God is moving forward and we are following His lead. How exciting!

Bring Mabopane Foundation to you!

If your church or civic organization would like to hear more about the Mabopane Foundation, call Becky Young at 326-2722. Becky will be glad to share her experiences, testimony and pictures of "our kids".

The Mabopane Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. All contributions are tax deductible.



Meet Adelaide!

She is 18 years old and in the tenth grade. She loves going to school and would

like to be a social worker one day in the future. Her smile lights up the room! Adelaide is happy to be part of the Good Hope Family.

"Truly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of my brethren, you did it to me."

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