
Obrigado!

From all the children at House of Ants.

Your donations are having direct and positive results.

Simeon writes:

Dear UK Sponsors.

Greetings in Christ.

This is the first letter in 2023. We began our activities in January, making plans about what we would like to teach the children of House of Ants during this year, particularly in the bible classes. We've been thinking about how we can reach their hearts and teach them how to know, - and obey God.

In the girls quarters it was necessary to restore some things and repaint the inside walls, so we set about it during January, we also bought exercises books and schools bag's for boys and girls, as well as other necessary materials. All the children returned to school early February.

The Graphics Center

The Graphics Centre continues its operation, serving the local community and others with printing services. Most of December and January are the school holidays and are always quiet months for the Graphics centre as most of work has been given to the needs of schools communities, teachers and students. They are our major customers. We are also currently providing services to a Family Clinic (Clínica da Família), with whom we entered into an agreement, for the Graphic Centre to provide services.

Church Connection.

House of Ants partnership with the Reformed Baptist Church of Sikuama continues. Pastor Baltazar is also a volunteer teacher at House of Ants and offers Pastoral care and youth counselling. The church is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year. Joining with other local leaders, they give thanks for God's kindness and provision.

Would like to share about two boys (attached Photos)

Dinis Chambal, 14 years old and his brother **Isac Chambal, 9 years old** – The two boys came to live at the house of Ants last year, February 2022, by order of the government, as their grandfather was looking for help and support. He was unable to take care of his grandsons and had no means to support them at school. Due to the their mother and father separating when they were very young,

the two brothers don't know their father at all. Eventually the mother left her sons with their grandfather and went to live in South Africa as she no longer could care for them.



Dinis is in 5th grade and Isac is in the 2nd grade at Primary School.

They are both healthy children, but need special attention due to starting school late.



Please remember us in your Prayers.

1. Last year we asked for prayer for Junior Lopes, as he needed a surgical procedure. This condition is known as hydrocele which is inflammation of the testicles. We give thanks to God that the surgical procedure was performed in January and has been a complete success.
2. Please continue to pray for the children's education program and particularly for the bible lessons.
3. Please also pray for the 10 new children (8 boys & 2 girls), needing living accommodation at House of Ants. They arrived this year 2023.
4. Prayer is also needed for the ongoing maintenance and building of house of ants. Much of it needs painting and there are some building alterations also required.

Warm greetings in our Saviour.

Simeon & and the administration team.

We do not lose heart.

On behalf of all the trustees of Porta Trust.

Rev. ch 3 v8 "...See, I have placed before you and open door that no one can shut"

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