

Obrigado!

**From all the children at House of Ants.
Your donations are having direct and positive results.**

Pastor Simone writes:

Dear Sponsors.

I hope this letter finds you well and healthy. May I share with you some news about three of the children here at House of Ants. José, who is 6 years old, and his brother António, (Toni) who is 4 years old. I will also share a little about Maria, who is 8 years old.

José and Toni, started attending House of Ants in May this year. The local government council asked if we could care for them. Their father and mother are separated, and their maternal grandmother is taking care of them, but sadly she is alcoholic and is seen daily at the rubbish dump. As you can imagine, living with their grandmother in this situation is not good.



When the neighbours realised that the boys were living in this situation, they contacted the council and asked if House of Ants might be able to help support the boys. As they live quite close to House of Ants, every day, (including weekends and holidays), they come and play together with the resident children. We provide meals for them each day, and they return home to sleep. Sadly most mornings they arrive unwashed.



Maria is 8 years old girl, she is in 3rd grade, and lives with her parents. She is a student at House of Ants, participates in Bible classes, and learns crochet and the tutoring program. Maria comes from a family of 6 siblings. The family are very poor as their parents do not have a steady jobs. Maria and her brothers have received support from House of Ants since early this year.



Holiday Bible Club!



Last month, (August), we had a special week of activity during the school holidays called Vacation Bible School, it was incredible for the children and teenagers



at Casa das Formigas, (House of Ants), sharing the love of God, the theme was: **My Joy is Jesus**, based on John 15:11. *"These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full..."*. We praise God for everyone's involvement in this special activity. To God be all the honour and glory.



Here are some of the general needs of House of Ants:

- The rainy season causes terrible flooding and at present there is no drainage system. Please pray that the Lord would provide for the appropriate groundwork and drainage system.
- Replacement and installation of new tiles in all children's rooms;
- Continue with the painting – I mean to paint where it hasn't been painted yet.
- We need to place tables and chairs in the dining room.

Thank you again to all our faithful sponsors, May you all know God's love and peace in your hearts.

Pastor Simione Mate
Casa das Formigas Maputo - Moçambique

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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