



Contributing to a legend's legacy

We celebrated Mandela Day in style at the Cebolethu Educare Centre in Mfuleni, a township outside Cape Town, where more than 100 children were the beneficiaries of food packs at the launch of a special container library.

In partnership with a literacy organisation called Little Libraries, Cebolethu Educare Centre opens its doors every Saturday morning to run reading sessions for up to 100 community children and youth. Now they have a beautiful new container

library to host these sessions in. With the assurance that the library is in capable hands, we are confident that the children will continue to experience the joy of reading for pleasure and further expand their minds. Just the way Madiba would have liked!



Partnering with Global Load Control for our 67 minutes of service

We joined hands with Global Load Control to celebrate 67 minutes of service for Mandela Day at the Macedonian Feeding Scheme Project, located in Heideveld on the Cape Flats near Cape Town. The staff of Global Load Control

prepared more than 200 packed sandwiches to share with the children and adults. Pastor Isaac de Jongh, who pioneers this project, expressed his gratitude to Global Load Control and Breadline Africa – who in turn assured him of their continued support.



Breadline Africa chair attends SA-UK Trust Network Meeting

Louise Seligman (our chairman and trustee of the SA-UK Trust) attended the SA-UK Trust Network Meeting at the Pestana Chelsea Bridge Hotel in London on 20th April 2015.

Approximately 50 representatives of UK-registered charities working in South Africa, together with executives from corporates with

an interest in South Africa and representatives of charitable trusts met to share ideas and experiences. The objective of the network is to add value, through collaboration and networking, to the efforts of the members seeking to improve the lives of many of the most deprived and marginalised members of society in South Africa.



Above from left: Louise Seligman is pictured with Bill Frankel (chairman of the Claude Leon Foundation), Pumela Salela, (new UK country manager for Brand South Africa), Jill Ritchie (chairman of the SA-UK Trust Network) and Martha Ware (SA-UK Trust Network and School Aid trustee).

RINGING OUT THE OLD ... RINGING IN THE NEW ... with a brand new logo

After 21 years of service to the poorest communities in Southern Africa, we needed a make-over and to refresh our image and align it with our focus on young children. Part of this process was to launch a new logo. It is important to note that nothing has changed at Breadline Africa and the work that we do. All we have done

is to bring the logo in line with our philosophy of placing the child in the centre of everything we do.

We believe that every child has the capacity to do something phenomenal with his or her life. When a child's imagination is unlocked, possibilities are opened up, allowing them to

choose a path for their own future. We enable this journey by providing initiatives and infrastructure to support childhood development in Southern Africa. The renovated containers are used as early childhood development centres (nursery schools), school libraries, community kitchens and toilet blocks.



Report Backs

Macedonian Feeding Scheme launches its new container kitchen



It would seem that even the sun approved of our efforts, as it shone brightly on the opening of a new community kitchen in Heideveld on the Cape Flats. Local residents came out in force to celebrate the provision of this much-needed kitchen, which will offer meals to the poorest members of the community.

Thanks to your support, Pastor Isaac de Jongh and his band

of volunteers now serve more than 750 meals to adults and children each week. Pastor de Jongh could not find the words to express his gratitude for this great gift. He described it as an unbelievable, unimaginable experience, because something of this magnitude has never happened in this area and he thanked Breadline Africa – and, of course, you who made it all possible.

Cedar Educare – Citrusdal

Citrusdal is a bustling rural village set among lush green citrus orchards, less than two hours drive from Cape Town on the N7 highway towards Namibia.

Cedar Educare is situated in this rural village. It previously operated in a public park and had no suitable facilities. They

have now received these beautiful refurbished containers, which will be used as classrooms, kitchen and a toilet.

We also shared some beautiful items of knitwear, which were made with love and donated by our very generous and talented Nimble Knitters.



Children's World Soup Kitchen



We thank you for your generosity towards our Winter Food Campaign. We delivered bags of fresh vegetables to the Children's World Soup Kitchen. Anneline was over the moon with the food items and asked me to say 'thank you' for your support. Her volunteers smiled broadly, as they can now continue to cook nutritious and delicious pots of food and soup to combat hunger in their communities.

Sometimes, some things just take a little bit longer ... Dennemere Primary School container Kitchen



We have all been heartened by your generous response to the request for a container kitchen for the Dennemere

Primary School. The container has been placed at the school and everyone is hard at work to complete the much-

needed kitchen as soon as possible. We can't wait to show you the completed kitchen soon! Thank you again!

Joining Hands Project container educare centre

We thank you for your marvellous response towards our appeal for a brand new container classrooms and hygienic toilets for the Joining Hands Project, which will provide a safe and healthy environment for the children in their care.

Preparations are under way to place the containers, and we will share all of the excitement of the launch at the nursery school with you in our next newsletter.

Thank you for being our Container Champion – another primary school benefits from your generosity



Lettie De Klerk Primary School is 60km from Graaff Reinet, in the small Karoo town of Nieu-Bethesda in the Eastern Cape, South Africa. It is the only primary school in the town and was established by a local farmer's wife more than 100 years ago.

They were recently the beneficiaries of a brand new container kitchen from Breadline Africa, funded by your selfless generosity. Barbara Vaaltyn, the school's principal, expressed her joy and gratitude that the children have an opportunity to learn on a full tummy – this makes an enormous difference in their capacity to learn and make something of their lives.

Sicelokuhle Crèche in Peace Town gets a new kitchen

Deep in rural KwaZulu-Natal, on the banks of the Klip River, the Sicelokuhle Crèche provides daily care and learning for 35 children from the local community. They recently received a brand new container kitchen and it is simply amazing to see the level of appreciation and support the

crèche has from the community, which includes the local primary school that the older children attend. In isiZulu, the local language, Sicelokuhle means we ask for good things, and everyone felt that they had received a very good thing on the day that the kitchen arrived!



International Kid Lit Quiz founder donates a stack of books!

International Kid Lit Quiz founder, Wayne Mills, who is based in New Zealand, donated 2 000 books and visited the Breadline Africa Cape Town office, where he met up with fellow supporters who had come all the way from the UK.



Above Left: Nicki Little, from Leicester, Edna Titus, Wayne Mills, Jade Orgill, Peter and Susan Haisman from London.



Thank you for raising funds for us in your own special way

Michael Lovatt from Kings's Lynn, Norfolk shares with us how Breadline Africa was chosen for their Lent Project in 2015:

"Breadline Africa was chosen from a list of charities put forward by the Parochial Church Council members

of St. Mary and All Saints, Little Walsingham, St. Peter's, Great Walsingham, and St. Giles, Houghton. Father Andrew, our parish priest, made the decision that Breadline Africa would be our charity for Lent Project 2015. Thank you to all who made this event such a success".

St Barnabas Church, Pitshanger Lane, Ealing holds a fundraiser



Camilla Newbegin, who is a parishioner at St Barnabas Church, organised a plant sale again and, as before, she and her team were determined that half of the proceeds should be donated to Breadline Africa.

Peter and Susan Haisman, also parishioners at St Barnabas,

came to Cape Town earlier this year and visited the Little Bright Stars Educare Centre, which is run by Grace Witbooi. Grace has had access to a large number of wooden pallets, some of which had been turned into planters. The funds raised were donated to Grace to plant trees and various plants at the nursery school.

Meet Breadline Africa's Director – all the way from South Africa

Tim Smith, our Director, will be attending the service at St Barnabas Church on **Sunday 18th October 2015** at 10h30 and will give a short presentation about the work that we do thereafter at 11h50. We invite you to attend the service and or to meet Tim after the service in the attached church hall to learn more about the difference that you are helping to make in our beneficiary community.

St Barnabas has supported several projects for Breadline Africa over the last three years, with Susan and Peter Haisman being great ambassadors for the organisation. With the help and support of their congregation, they have contributed to the Leliebloem Farmers Project, Bernie Peters Backyard Gardening

Project, the children's seaside campaign and more recently, the garden project at Little Bright Stars.

For catering purposes, please RSVP either to Peter Haisman: peterhaisman@btinternet.com or to Wendy in our UK office: breadlineafricauk@btconnect.com St Barnabas Church is located in Pitshanger Lane, Ealing, W5 1QG. There is unrestricted parking in the surrounding local streets. Ealing Broadway Station is served by both Central and District underground lines and Great Western trains from Paddington. From Ealing Broadway station, two bus services, the E2 and E9 stop at the church on their way to Greenford Broadway.



Birthday Calendar

Are you on my birthday calendar? If not, please email or send your details by post to receive a personalised birthday card in the post.

Charity Advent Carol Concert – 21 November 2015

Please support the carol concert arranged by the Dermot Gogarty Memorial Trust in aid of Breadline Africa. It will take place on Saturday 21st November, at 19h00 at the Farm Street Church, 114 Mount Street London W1K 3AH.

The choir of St. John's Beaumont School will be joined by the South African Opera singer, Njabulo Madlala, to perform a mixture of South African

songs and more traditional carols in this beautiful church in Central London. The concert is being organised by the family of Dermot Gogarty, who tragically died while he was headmaster of the school 10 years ago.

Dermot and his wife Kathy have strong ties with South Africa and the Dermot Gogarty trust, set up in his memory, generously donated a container at Scherpenheuvel Primary School in

Robertson, Western Cape last year, to accommodate the increasing number of rural farm worker's children. His family has kindly decided to use this occasion to raise further funds for the work that we do.

For further information please contact kathy_gogarty@hotmail.com. Tickets will be available on our website soon via a link to a Just Giving site and can also be bought at the door (£20 donation).

Our feel-good story column

Have you got a good feel story that you would like to share with us? Send me your story and a good quality photograph and I will publish it in an upcoming newsletter.



Maureen Johnson and Theresa Kowall, both loyal Breadline Africa donors, share their Pen Pal Story with us.

"We have a 65-year-old friendship story to share. When I was nine years old, I had a Canadian school teacher for a year. Upon her return to Canada, Miss Muirhead took the names and addresses of each class member and exchanged each one for that of a pupil in her Canadian class. This was in 1949.

My pen friend was Theresa York and we have been writing, and emailing, and visiting one

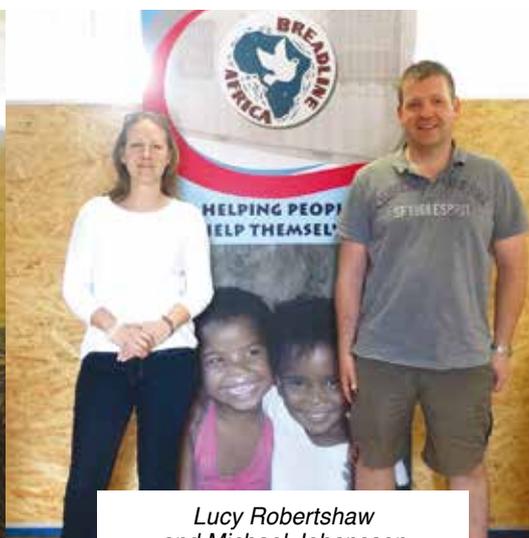
another for 65 years. I have been to Vancouver Island twice and Theresa has been to England four times; the first time was in 1980 and Theresa stayed with my parents and met my family.

We regularly communicate – sharing our family news, our pets, our lives. We have photography, gardening, reading in common and to chat about. Theresa inspires me in lots of ways."

Donor Gallery



Diana Ross, Mary Stanly from the UK and Edna Titus.



Lucy Robertshaw and Michael Johansson from Sweden.



Tim Smith, Annabella Chisholm, UK (the mother of Alex Chisholm our UK board member), Sally Burt (South African Advisory Committee) and Edna Titus.

We have gone digital - see our new website



Drop in anytime! We love it when you visit our offices here in Cape Town, but we know it's not always the most practical way for you to keep in touch – but you can always find us online!

- To receive our latest 'tweets', follow @breadlineafrica – that way you'll be instantly in touch with our updates, news and competitions.
- You can find us on Facebook – go to www.facebook.com/breadlineafrica. 'Friend' us and 'like' our page – then drop in any time to see what we're up to!

• Breadline Africa is on YouTube, too: for video clips showing what we do daily, log on to www.youtube.com/user/breadlineafrica, and then click on the 'subscribe' button.

• If you'd like to see photos of what we do follow us on Pinterest: www.pinterest.com/breadline/

• **And finally:** don't forget our fresh, recently revamped website www.breadlineafrica.org – here you can sign up for our email newsletter, view all our projects to date on the interactive table <http://breadlineafrica.org/what-we-do/infrastructure/> and find other ways of how to get involved <http://breadlineafrica.org/get-involved/>.

Donating online made easy AND secure

The Internet – hard to imagine life without it! You probably know you can donate funds to Breadline Africa online, but you might have questions or concerns about how this works.

Please ask us for our 'how to donate AND be safe' instructions if you're interested in donating this way. It really is as simple as clicking your mouse, and it's completely secure! Send us an email, and we'll gladly answer any questions you might have.



Calling America!

A reminder of the good news for our many friends in the United States of America – at last you have your own donation portal. Breadline Africa has been accepted by the American Fund for Charities, which means you can now make safe and tax-deductible donations to any of our projects. Visit www.breadlineafrica.org/donate/ for more details.

Don't forget: £1 = £1.25 at no extra cost to you!

How you can help us even more: if you are a British taxpayer, please remember to fill in and sign your Gift Aid Declaration, which allows us to claim 25% back on the donations you give us. This means we can do 25% more for poor communities – at no extra cost to you!



Edna's corner

Dear Friends

I always find putting the newsletter together one of my most enjoyable tasks, as I go through all my photographs. It brings back lovely memories of what we have done for the projects on your behalf.

It has been a busy year, filled with many challenges. We took a bold step and decided to change our logo. I hope that by now you have grown accustomed to seeing our bright new logo on all our literature and that you like it as much as I do.

We also launched our new website, with a brand new feature of electronic cards also referred to as 'e-cards'. It is an easy function that enables you to send your friends or family greetings cards online at no cost. We shall keep updating our selection of cards for you to choose from.

As we are approaching spring here in Cape Town it means sunshine, clear blue skies, longer days and the flowers in full bloom soon. And of course, as you might have guessed by now my favourite event of the year is the outing to the

seaside. Because of your generous support, this project has grown over the years and I never tire of the joy I get from watching the expressions on the faces of the children when they see the sea for the first time.

I trust that you will be inspired by all the feedback and feel-good stories that I am sharing with you in this issue. Thank you again for your ongoing support - it has made all this possible!

Please write to me and should you ever be in Cape Town, do pop into our office. I look forward to hearing from you.

Lots of love

Edna



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