

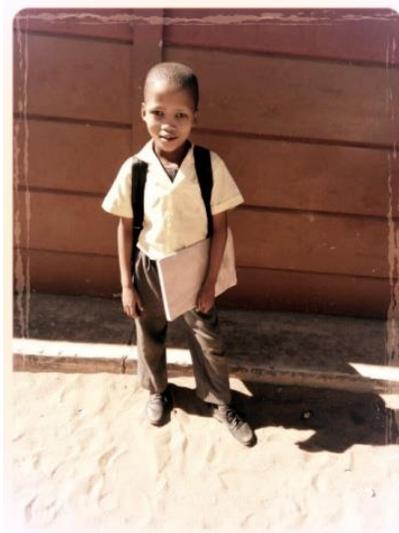
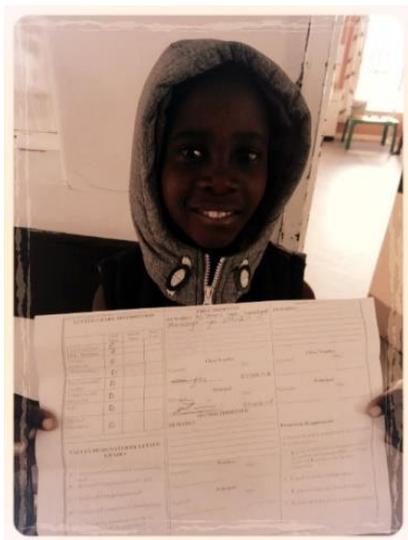


... there he is again, still in the sand, his face lift up - he heard the car coming, he turns his face towards us and we get a big grin, he beckons that we have to come. We shake his outstretched hand and try to understand what he is trying to say in gestures. We tell him about the small chair we have for him. Without knowing how to react, he turns around while sitting, and then continues to make circles in the sand. Jac-Louis gets the car seat and lifts him into the chair. An even bigger grin and raised thumb are the results. Daniel, 10 years old, does not have to sit in the sand anymore but has his own little throne :). What a joy to be able to pass on what we receive for the community!

Then there is a grateful sms, from a grandmother because her 3-year old grandson can sleep warm tonight. Reynold has a set of warm clothes for the winter. Something so small for us, something so big for them who have so little!

Or that cabbage that I could cut in half and both women could give half a cabbage. Or that warm sweater for that little girl. Or those shoes ...

Wonderful moments! Moments when we feel so small and so grateful for the gifts that we receive for the community and can distribute it to those who so desperately need it.



Sponsorchildren

All sponsor children have been provided with the necessary school materials for the second term. Thank you very much for all the contributions!

It is always a big job to visit everyone again, buy the stuff for each child and then give it. But this year we had help from my sister Geertje and Johanna (the woman who helps us in the house). What a huge difference that has made! It's wonderful how many hands can make our work lighter. Nice to have some energy left after these days :).



Our current (rental) home is for sale!

Are you interested in investing in this beautiful project? Or do you know of someone who might be interested to partner with us? We would love to hear it!

If you would like to contribute otherwise in the development of the Lighthouse in Gobabis please go to this link: <https://www.lightforthechildren.nl/help-mee/doneren>



Hendrieth

Hendrieth has been with us for several months now and is missed when she is with her mother for a few days. As soon as Adam sees her again, she gets a big hug :). She is a joy in our home!

We are very grateful for the opportunity she was given at a new school. Now all of us need to be serious about her homework and miss the help of teacher Geertje!



Group of Hope

Every day of the week the children come to the library for education. Miss Maria teaches them and on Wednesdays she gets help from a local mother and daughter as they bring a warm meal with meat and educational games to play. On other days they receive bread (that we receive on a weekly basis from one of the local businesses- Megasave) and fruit. After the previous sponsorship's money was used, we made a call on Facebook and are very grateful and happy with the sponsor who wants to feed this group of children every month.

A Visit or 2

This week Jac-Louis' older sister is visiting and next week Gijsbertha's youngest sister, Lydia hopes to come from the Netherlands with an English friend of hers. We always enjoy visits from far, as they are a rare occurrence. After Lydia has left we look forward to fly to the Netherlands, shortly after. It's been two years since we were in the Netherlands and we are privileged to go again! Before th at time we hope write still!



Thank you for your involvement, support and prayers! The work is a lot and difficult and we need your help to continue doing it all. Together, we make a difference! Thank you for playing your part.

With love and joy from Gobabis
Jac-Louis, Gijsbertha en Adam