

# LEAN ON ME TRUST

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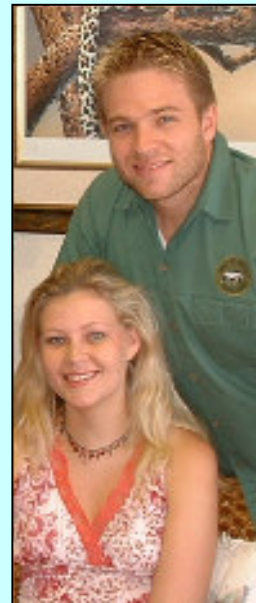
*Hi All!*

*Louise and I are thrilled that the time has finally come to open the abandoned baby home. We are very emotional that so many of you have shown us so much support. We love you all dearly and every day we are amazed at the kind support we receive from complete strangers.*

*There are rich organizations and poor ones. Even though our bank account seems more empty than full we are never worried as when ever a need arises there is always an answer to prayer waiting around the corner.*

*The other night I was horrified after listening to a woman who was quite wealthy cry out how she didn't know how to make her life more meaningful and to do Gods work. She said she didn't have the right lifestyle and so couldn't help. I was shattered to think that if everyone thought like this our organization would not be able to survive.*

*I treasure each and every one of you and would like you all to know that though Louise and I will work on these projects hands-on , you will all be the strength and support that makes our two projects work.*



*God Bless each and every one of you and may he give you a glimpse of what wonders you have done here in the lives and hearts of our children.*

*Thank you*

**Claude and Louise Fourie**  
**Founders of Lean on Me**

# Lean on Me Abandoned Baby Home

## True accounts and stories in the local media this Month

### DEAD BABY FOUND IN SARNIA

“A little baby boy was found in Sarnia last week in a shopping bag. The boy had been thrown into the bush but had fallen out of the bag as it hooked on a tree. The baby lay exposed until a young girl saw gods chewing on a strange object and on closer inspection found the saw the horrible sight”

### DEAD NEWBORN FOUND IN GILLITS

“A new born baby was found in the veld in Gillits. An old man who clears a path through the veld for domestic workers who pass through noticed a packet and on closer inspection found a dead baby. Mr. Fourie of the Lean on Me Abandoned Baby home who lives not 300 meters from the site was horrified to learn that this had happened and if only the desperate mother had known that not very far away was a safe place for her unwanted child”

### RAY OF HOPE FOR ABANDONED BABIES IN DURBAN

“Lean on me Trust will open an abandoned baby home in Kwa Nyuswa on the first of November. The home will accepts all children aged 0 – 3 years old. The Trust will be working alongside police and welfare as well as community social workers and other NGO’s. The home is able to accommodate and care for approximately 20 babies but there is room for expansion”

## People who Care

The following people have given generously and we thank them sincerely:

Bas and Miranda	Building plans and +R20 000		
Natalia Hekema	10 cots, 2 compactims, 6 car chairs + so much more		
HSBC & Natalia	1000 Pounds		
Melanie Reuvers	microwave oven and stove		
Lynda and Ken Stewart	Fridge, single bed, washing machine		
Reshma	Road Sign		
Uthando	R11500	Martin Zamoro	R2456
ABSA bank	Diaper collection	Joel Schlachter	\$100
Anna Black	R15 000	Suzana Toutories	\$250
Carina Forster	R5 000	K.E Wheatly	R914
Urenco	1000 Pounds	Nancy Piche	\$100
Kim Bailey	R586	Sandra Smith	\$150
Joe Edward	R685		

**GOD BLESS YOU ALL ABUNDANTLY!**

## Prayer List

One always feels embarrassed to ask people for help. Instead of keeping quite and going without we have adopted a new attitude towards donors. We now tell donors how they can bless us so that they may in turn be blessed.

If you or anyone you know is able to help with any of the following we know you will be blessed for your kindness:

ITEM	QUANTITY	APPROXIMATE \$ COST
Washing machine	1	250
Single bed and mattress	1	150
Closet with Shelves	3	300 each
Children's room mats	2	100 each
Feeding chairs	8	70 each
Cots	5	200 each
Bedroom Curtains	3	50 each
Cot Duvets and linen	10	40 each
Kitchen Blinds	1	100 each
Dining room table	1	200
Living room sofa and chairs	1	400
Blender	1	70
Plastic containers	15	10 each
Cutlery	4	50 each
Desterilizes	4	70 each
Fridge	1	250
Nebulaezer	1	200
Oxygen tank, masks, tubing	1	250
Suction Unit	1	300
Medical waste bin	2	150 each
Outside Jungle Gym	1	500
Diapers	unlimited	20 for bag of 50 diapers
Baby cereal	unlimited	4 each
Puréed food	unlimited	1 each
Baby bibs	30	2 each
Baby pajamas	60	10 each

If you wish to assist with any of these items simply follow the donation procedure explained at the end of this newsletter.

For any enquires please email Claire at: [claire@wah.co.za](mailto:claire@wah.co.za)

## More you need to know!

Please allow us to explain the function and describe our baby home to you

### Mission

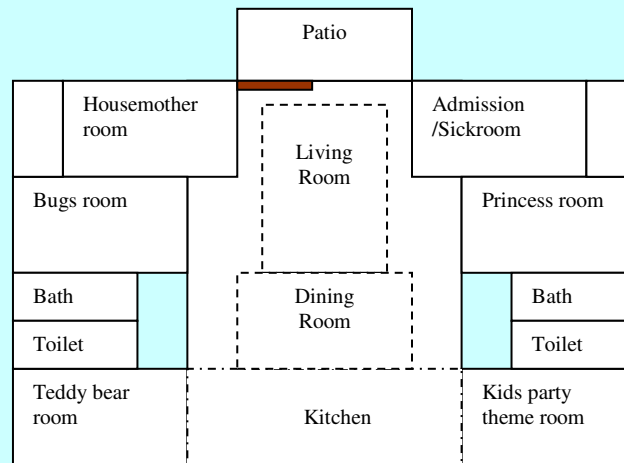
Our mission is to offer a home and caring hearts to any children between the ages of 0 and 3. Our goal is to have every child placed with an adoptive family in or out of South Africa. For those that are not fortunate to have a full life we take solace in knowing that each child that dies will die in love and care and will be offered to God with prayer on their passage to heaven.

### The Home

There are 6 rooms in the home. 1 room is for the housemothers. 1 room we plan to keep as an admission and Sick room. The remaining 4 rooms will accommodate about 3 to 4 babies in each.

There is a large kitchen and dining room with an open plan living area which will act as a visiting room for all guests and relatives.

There are 4 bathrooms in all. The baths have been specially built to allow easy access for housemothers.



### Procedures

LOM Trust will accept all babies or children that have been abandoned, neglected, abused or awaiting Court placements.

We will have 1 Housemother on 24 hour duty for every 6 children.

Adoptive parents will be found for every child. Children that cannot be placed will remain in the home until 3 years old whereby they will be placed by the Welfare department into our Siyajabula Children's home or the Makaputu home.

## How you can HELP

Help comes in all forms and any assistance we receive is always appreciated. We have found that the best thing most people can do is to spread the news about the crisis in our country concerning Orphans and child abandonment.

The more people that know the more we begin to change the world

### Parcels

We have found that small parcels sent by post arrive safely and without any complications from customs control. There is a law prohibiting second hand clothing from entering South Africa. All parcels should be marked as gifts and addressed to our Post Box

### Monetary Donations

If you would like to sponsor an item from our wish list please send us an email or a letter stating where you would like the money to go. As we are a Trust and NPO our account is examined by government and so all donations have to be motivated as to where they have come from.

Here are the methods you may send us a monetary donation

#### CREDIT CARD

Please email/fax us a copy of the back and front of your credit card with the required amount you wish to donate. We will send you all receipts and proof.

#### BANK TRANSFER

<b>Account Name:</b>	Lean on Me Trust
<b>Bank:</b>	ABSA BANK, HILLCREST
<b>Address:</b>	47 Old Main Road, Hillcrest
<b>Account Number:</b>	4059342580
<b>Clearing Code:</b>	631126
<b>International Swift Address:</b>	ABSAZAJJ
<b>Reference:</b>	Your name

Once you have transferred your donation into our trust account, kindly fax us a copy of the international transfer slip. We will then contact you to confirm that we have received your donation successfully.

#### POSTAGE CHEQUE

Please mark your cheques payable to Lean on Me Trust. Please post to the address below. We do recommend registering the mail to ensure that it reaches us safely.

#### POSTAL ADDRESS

**P.O. Box 436  
Hillcrest  
3610  
Kwazulu/Natal  
South Africa**

#### PHYSICAL ADDRESS

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**Founder:** Claude Fourie

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## **Pictures of our Baby Home**



**Before**

## **2 of 4 Baby Bedrooms**



## **Kitchen**



## Report on the Lean on Me Siyjabula Project

### Pictures of the Building progress



August



September



October



Today

It is now the 1<sup>st</sup> November and we still have to:

- plaster the inside of the house
- Place last attachments on the roof
- Paint rooms
- Have all plumbing done
- Have all electrics done
- Place fixtures in the rooms such as toilets, bath, light fittings, plug points etc.
- Furnish each room with bunk beds, fridge, stove etc.