



### Rock UK Visit Lesotho

Rock UK is a Christian outdoor activity organisation with centres in the Scottish Borders, South Wales, Northampton and Kent. Two years ago they established a partnership with Lesotho Durham LINK and each year have taken a team of third year trainees to spend two weeks in Lesotho at the beginning of the year. Joseph, the Lesotho EO, was deeply impressed by the team. He wrote, "What a partnership we have with this organisation! Once again, this year they were such a blessing to us all. They are one group that everyone engages with even at personal level whenever they are here – which is really good and necessary if we say we are in partnership. Very hard-working group. They spent all their time here training our staff and doing things together. They have also built for us an obstacle wall and spider's web with their own expenses not to mention numerous other gifts in kind regarding Outdoor Activities equipment and material. The team has really invested a lot in our people and once again we thank God and yourselves for this partnership. I know for sure that they have gained a lot by being here. They also blessed my own village for 2 hours of games and other activities with kids and youth the evening before leaving Lesotho."

Whilst they were in Lesotho, in addition to training the LINK staff and setting up the new activities, the team set up a new abseiling route and ran two camps for Child Headed Households with 20 children attending each camp. The Rock UK team also had the chance to climb the Machache Mountain which proved to be a memorable experience. For a first-hand account and to get some idea for yourself what the visit was like click onto this fascinating youtube link, uploaded by Rock UK following their visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mIXsxmCO6a8&t=0s>



CHH Camp



Working with LINK volunteers



Building team challenge course

## **New Staff Appointment**

In our last edition of e-MOHO we asked for prayer for a replacement PA for Joseph, after the departure of Tseli to become project co-ordinator of Bible Society Lesotho. Joseph was anxious to find a suitable replacement as Tseli had been a real blessing to Joseph and the LINK. We are delighted to report that a new PA has been appointed, Mrs Noxoliswa Mqedlana, who is apparently already proving to be a real blessing too! It seems that this young lady has many of the abilities and talents needed. Including useful computer skills which should enhance the reports and presentations the LINK produces.

## **PRAYING FOR BISHOP ADAM**

It is with sadness that we have to report that in early May Bishop Adam Taaso suffered a severe stroke. He was taken initially to Johannesburg for treatment then transferred to a rehabilitation centre in Bloemfontein in South Africa. He has now returned home. He is said to be improving slowly and beginning to make some sounds but no words yet. He is still unable to move. Meanwhile, Fr. Tanki ( the Dean) has been appointed as Vicar General and is trying to fill the gap of a bishop in the diocese. Please pray both for Bishop Adam and also M'e Matsepo his wife and their family at this very difficult time. Also please pray for Fr Tanki, for wisdom as he seeks to guide and serve the diocese of Lesotho, that he will be assisted by people of integrity and vision.

## **An Apology**

It has been brought to our attention that in an earlier edition of e-MOHO we inadvertently reproduced a photograph from Agence France Presse without authorisation. We have apologised to the organisation, removed the article from the LINK website and have agreed a financial settlement. We apologise for this mistake.

Give thanks for the appointment of a new PA for Joseph, Mrs Noxoliswa Mqedlana, and pray that she will quickly and effectively settle into her post.

Please pray for Bishop Adam and for his wife and family, praying that medical intervention will enable him to make a better recovery.

Remember in prayer the diocese of Lesotho during this period, especially with the implications Bishop Adam's health care has on the diocesan finances. Pray for Fr Tanki in his capacity as Vicar General.

Give thanks for the partnership between Rock UK and Lesotho Durham LINK and pray that it will continue to be a mutually beneficial relationship.

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