

## FOSTER CARE

### Tribute to a foster parent

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, but after hearing my story you will only see one - redemption.

It was the first time I saw my son and the first time I knew that I needed to change. I was 25, divorced and living in a cycle of brokenness and addiction. I started having children 10 years earlier; there were 3. My boyfriend wanted me to have an abortion, but when I choose life he chose to leave.

As soon as Isiah was born, I was aware he would be removed from me and even though I was heartbroken about how much I had let my children down, I was still alive.

I had used meth right before I went into labor, no pre-natal care and lots of birthing complications. I was in bad shape and had hit rock bottom.

My story did not end like that, it was just starting.

It was the last day I choose drugs. I went to rehab and accepted Jesus into my life. I made every parent visit, did every class, passed every test and worked my butt off to reunify just 8 months later.

Today my marriage is restored. I am in the process of completing my education and healing from many years of unprocessed trauma. My 4 children are back in my care!



Courtesy of Google Images

This letter is a shout-out to say thank you to the foster mother who felt my brokenness and gave me support with love that I didn't feel worthy of. She saw my hurting heart and never gave up on me, she fought alongside me for my - REDEMPTION.



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## MSC – WINNER

**Congratulations Danie and Tienie Verwey from Witbank**



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# OFFICE NEWS

## CMR MIDDELBURG

Fundraising project for the “Diens sentrum” a project for the aged.



# COMMUNITY PROJECT – RIZPAH

This year marks the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year that cyclists will team up to Ride for a purpose at Discovery 94.7 cycling road race. The team consists of 50 cyclists plus several supporters that will ride in aid of the local charity Rizpah. Rizpah currently has eight foster care homes plus the Spring Valley daycare under its care.



# GOODBYE

Zandria Malgas - CMR Witbank

Mariza Olivier - CMR Middelburg



# THANK YOU

Christmas is a time for giving love and mending broken relationships. Let this be your guide this Christmas eve as we celebrate the birth of Christ.

CMR would like to wish all their donors and patrons a special festive season and a prosperous new year.

