

# Solutions

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NEWSLETTER  
OF  
AFRICAN  
AIDS  
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SOLUTIONS:  
GIVING  
CHILDREN

**"IT IS INSPIRING TO BE PART OF THIS HEARTFELT  
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Welcome to another, though shortened, edition of **Solutions**.

In the next few weeks AAF will be sending you a copy of the Annual and Audit Reports for 2004 – 2005. It will bring

## WELCOME TO *SOLUTIONS*

you up the current news of the Foundation and the financial and other results of our endeavours over the last year. In the meantime, this edition of *Solutions* is to inform you of one of the highlights in the last few months. Also, enclosed is an invitation for you and your friends to attend our Annual Supporters' Function.

### One of the Highlights—Volunteers

The rise in enquiries about volunteering in Africa has been among the more significant happenings of recent months for AAF.

Volunteering is a remarkable way to see firsthand the awful impact of AIDS but also to meet and work with many wonderful people who are sacrificially doing so much for their communities.

We are regularly receiving enquiries about opportunities to go, see, and spend time helping at God's Golden Acre, Tabitha Ministries, Philakahle Wellbeing Centre, and other organisations, as these groups seek to stem the tide of heartache, dislocation and death, that is AIDS in Africa.

Recently we have had enquiries from a first year university student, a young married couple and retired teacher.

AAF is also currently working with a local church youth group, planning to visit South Africa in July 2006. The group hopes 10 of its members will be able to see firsthand the magnitude of the AIDS crisis as well as being able to play a small part in helping others.

Young people, people in midlife, retirees, grandparents... AAF has people of all ages wanting to support and assist the great work being done by our partners in Africa.

It is inspiring to be part of this heartfelt response by people wanting to embark

on voluntary service in South Africa.

### Annual Supporters' Function

This function is going to be a fantastic event. For anyone living in, or visiting, the Sydney region, please come along.

Ken Allen's book, **Africa's Heart**, will have its official launch during the night. Ken will be reading some of his poetry and the book will be for sale. Ninety percent of the purchase price of this book will go directly to help those infected and affected by AIDS in Africa. AAF is hoping for a really enthusiastic response to this book, the emotional and spiritual outworking of one person to the catastrophic impact of AIDS on communities in Africa.

During the function we will also be speaking by telephone with Christine Mennell, an AAF volunteer from Queensland. She is assisting, in a number of communities, with the roll out of antiretroviral medications. Christine has been in Bergville, South Africa, since February this year and has gained significant insights to the pandemic as well as making an important contribution to the work of Philakahle. Some fun activities are planned for the night, too.

So, please come and join us on 15 October at the Camden Civic Centre for a fun, informative and challenging evening.

### Thankyou

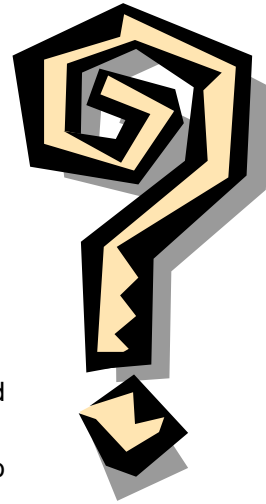
Again, our heartfelt gratitude goes to you, our supporters. Your partnership with us is a key to our partnership with the organisations we support in South Africa and Kenya. Thank you.

Peter Archer.  
Editor.

**Don't forget to regularly visit the AAF website -**

**[www.africanaidfoundation.org.au](http://www.africanaidfoundation.org.au). In the last few weeks it has been completely updated. It now has even more information and links, and a great new look.**

# How can I help



Playing your part in the solution

You can help African AIDS Foundation to help by:

- ◆ Giving financial support - every cent you give goes to those in need;
- ◆ Praying for AAF and the organisations it assists;
- ◆ Telling others about AAF and its work;
- ◆ Inviting AAF to address your church, club or school;
- ◆ Visiting Africa as a volunteer to experience firsthand the needs and the solutions at work;
- ◆ Receiving regular copies of **SOLUTIONS** and handing them on to your friends.

## MY RESPONSE...

**YES, I WOULD LOVE TO SUPPORT AFRICAN AIDS FOUNDATION!**

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I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ON:

- AFRICAN AIDS FOUNDATION
- VOLUNTEERING IN AFRICA
- AIDS IN AFRICA
- KEN ALLEN'S BOOK, AFRICA'S HEART

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