



In 2003 February my mom passed on then after some months the same year, Mponegele took me and comfort me as their child. From that time we moved to Ga Magoa a place called scrap yard and it was only two rooms and unserviceable building behind the rooms, it was hard for me to accept that my mom is gone but the love, care and happiness that the centre brought to my life is incomparable. I was going to Mponegele daily because I was welcomed and started to feel at home and they were giving us food, clothes and the important thing which is education. Every day they were asking about our homework, assignments and projects so that they can make sure that we do our school work.

They took a very good care and when I was doing Grade 12 we were having Saturday classes and before I took it as a punishment but at last it was a success. Out of love they called lectures from University of Limpopo to come and help us with every school work on Saturday and they helped me a lot because I've managed to pass my grade 12. Then Mponegele took me to Seshego FET where I've completed my N6 Electrical Engineering, start looking for the practical. Then 2010 May I was watering garden of spinach then sesi Selokela Mokono came with military forms and it was closing date so they gave me money to go and submit the form, the same year in December that I was shortlisted for training which started in January I was so happy. Even now I'm still in the military and Mponegele is still my home.

THANKS TO MPONEGELE, I'M WHAT I AM BEAUSE OF YOU AND GOD OF MERCY.THANK YOU.



I Rachel Dipilong Nkgapele, I am 22 years old. I started coming at Mponegele Orphanage Centre at early age of 13 years in 2005. Mponegele have been a great home to be, we never felt like outside because they treated us with love, care and support us in everything we needed. They always encourage us to go to school as education is the key to successful life.

Mponegele have been of a great help to our lives they introduced us to many things and we experienced a lot of things that we couldn't do on our own. They always take us to trips so that we can see and explore new things. We always receive gifts such as clothes, food and other things that we need. It was really is a special place to be as they make us belong. There was a ceremony that being held each and every year end which is a good thing because we met a lot of people who works at this centre have a great sense of humour and treat us with respect and we love having these mother and father figures in our lives.

I am currently a Bcom student at University of Limpopo and am grateful for the support I have received from this centre. I always receive toiletries and a hundred rand to buy them or for taxi or bus fare. It is a great honour to be part of this organization and i am hoping it will expand and that more of our fellow orphans will make this centre proud by excelling education.



I Modiba Maleho Sophy, I joined Mponegele ke Itirele Community Centre in 2008 at the of age 15. Over the years I had plenty of ups and downs, good and bad times but am glad I always had Mponegele around my life. With Mponegele my life has changed emotionally and physically by the care they have they offered, provided for us, such as the food they provided to me every day, Saturday school which were held here at Mponegele every weekend really helped me to be who I am now

Mponegele's support has made me strong and driven individual and I will forever be grateful and indebted to you for that. And am happy to announce that I am now a graduate student completed a bachelor degree in commerce at University of Limpopo because of Mponegele ke Itirele. Today I feel so happy to know where I come from and where I go and for all these I say thank you Mponegele and to all the staff for perseverance, care and unconditional love you given to me and still continuing to give it to our fellow brothers and sisters.



I Erence Mantlebeku Modiba, I am 24 years old. I joined Mponegele ke Itirele Orphanage centre at the age of 12 in 2005. Over the years I had plenty of ups and down, good and bad times but Mponegele was around me to pick me up. Mponegele have been a great home for me, I never felt like left outside because they treated me with love, care and support me in every challenge I face. With Mponegele my life has changed emotionally and physically by the service they have given me. Mponegele ke Itirele is like a biological parent to me, it ensures that I don't go to bed or to school with empty stomach and they gave me better education on Saturdays. Mponegele has been of great help to my life as they introduced me to many things and I have experience a lot of things through them

Mponegele ke Itirele Orphanage Centre, the support that they gave to me made me strong and I will forever be grateful to you for that. Am glad to announce that I have Diploma Certificate in Computer Science which I completed in 2013 at Avuxeni Computer Academy, now am doing Marketing at Senwabarwana Campus in Bochum and I completed my first level, this year 2015 I'm doing my second year. Today I feel so grateful of me to know where I come from and where I go. It is a great honour to be part of this family and I am hoping it will expand and be grateful to our fellow orphans. I want to take this opportunity to thank God and everybody who participated in this project; I appreciate your time and effort for showing me love, care and Support

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE LIGHT YOU GIVING TO US, (ORPHANS)



My name is Maluleke July, It was early February 2006 the first time I started to go to Mponegele ke Itirele project. It is more than a project to me but a real family where care, love and support is always there. I was thinking Mponegele is the place where we are going to fill our stomach but I was wrong because we were also provided with clothes, skills, packages and mostly education.

Through the centre i have learned sawing, how to operate a computer, gardening and mostly they taught us to respect everyone. Extra lessons also provided for us on Saturdays.

I was in the world of poverty but the day I meet Mponegele to tell the truth I did forget the meaning of the world of poverty. Every year Mponegele was taking us for camp at Efata camp in Nelstroom. It is not just a champ but a motivational one, counselling and Career guidance. Mponegele took me out of street even in December they gave us an opportunity to work at Paledi Spar it was a great experience. Mponegele they also provide better Education, They helped me to registering at Seshego FET College and also buy me text books I was very grateful because at the time I was not going to be able to buy textbooks and pay my registration fee.

I am who I am today because of Mponegele. My elders of Mponegele you must keep on doing the good work to Mponegele children. Because the community need to learn and become the critically evaluative thinkers.

Rise Mponegele Rise and Shine



I Letsoalo Alfred started being part or a member of the Mponegele family at the age of 13 in 2007 after I lost my mother Letsoalo Mantis and now I'm 21 years old, all thanks to the centre, Mponegele has always been there for me, provided me with everything, food, clothes, skills etc for the past 8 years taught me how to operate electronically devices such as computers and how to use a sewing machine and many more, at these moment I'm studying at tertiary institution at Capricorn College doing Human Resource Management and again thanks to the centre for helping me financially to complete my studies

Today I'm proud because of Mponegele ke Itirele orphanage centre as well as the great Mma Mokono with her wonderful colleagues at the centre. May God bless you KOKO and keep you strong and healthy so that you can be able to help others like me, we're very grateful to have you in our lives KOKO.

LONG LIVE MPONEGELE long live



My name is Thabiso Mashatola. I was born in Alexandra Township in 1990 June 07. My mother passed-away in 1991 leaving behind me and my two older sisters with my grandmother. The family burial site is in Limpopo which is where my mother was buried. This led to my Grandmother deciding to stay in Limpopo which as Alexandra was very dangerous at that time. As a result, my sister and I were separated because my Grandmother was unable to support us financially and also take care of us all. I stayed with my Grandmother. In 2003, my grandmother visited my older uncle in Alexandra to take-care of him as he was seriously ill, leaving with relatives in Limpopo. Despite the struggle's that I experienced with my grandmother, staying with this family proved to more difficult.

Despite all that was happening, I continued to focus on my education. I heard about Mponegele ke Itirele while at school. I visited Mponegele ke Itirele for the first time in 2004 and continued to go there every day. Mponegele for me offered more than food and clothes; they offered a peace of mind, a home away from home. Moreover, the importance of education was the main focus. They supported us with school material, few books were available to help with homework. I passed matric with university entrance certificate, and however, with the assistance of Mponegele, I managed to register with the University of Witwatersrand in Bachelor of Arts Degree. This Journey presented its own struggles, in whole new environment, Jo'burg. I managed to complete my degree majoring in psychology and sociology.

And continuing to honours, passing this with four distinctions only missing one. Currently i am finishing off my masters in counselling psychology. The role Mponegele played in my life can hardly be expressed in writting. Despite this, myself and others from Mponegele are prove that this facility has and continue to play a huge role in assisting and changing lives of many deserving children in our communities.

It is my personal wish that one day i can help and be involved in such an amazing contribution to my community. It is only with support and acknowledgement of funders and volunteers that such a contribution can be possible. Thank you very much Mponegele Ke Itirele.



I am Marothi Jackson Letsoalo, I started going to Mponegele in September 2005. When I started I was 11 years old and I was in grade 5. Mponegele helped me with a lot of things.

At Mponegele they taught me how to use a computer and that's why I can operate one these days. Secondly, they taught me how to do gardening and how to take care of plants. Lastly, I know places just because Mponegele organised trips for us. We once went to Bela-Bela, the beautiful place I will never forget. One of the places that I enjoyed very much

Currently I am a tertiary student studying at Tshwane University of Technology. I am doing my first year in Human Resource Management. I am grateful to Mponegele because it has taught me many things and even helped me to register at the Tshwane University of technology. In conclusion I would like to appreciate Mponegele for playing an important role in my life.

For that I will forever be grateful



I Lerato Happy Modiba I've grown up at Mponegele ekeltirele drop in centre, I started to go there since 2005, is the year were koko Mokono appooched seed of light for help in building her dream an orphan and vulnerable centre that would be a place of peace and safe heaven of love for the neediest children.The focus of the centre is to form partnerships with community structures and to enable us to tackle the issues facing Orphans and Vulnerable children at grass root level. Project include income generation, child-care skills, youth activities and HIV AND AIDS awareness

We are cared by mother(S) selected from local community (sesi Fletta, Mma Letsoalo and Mrs Modiba). They fed us with daily hot meals during the week, and a safe environment to do homework in the afternoons, they've also provide Breakfast for us during school days. Up until I finish my matric I decided not to stay home. Now as I speak I'm a student at Seshego Capricorn For FET, I am using a public transport but Koko Mokono always make sure that i get support financially to ensure that i survive and get to school at all times.

Currently I am studying (PPO) Plant Operation doing level 4.

I like to thank God for giving us a grandmother such as Koko Mokono to be a mother to most of us. May the centre grow and continue providing care and help to others.



My name is Madjadji Elizabeth Mailula I am 25 years old. I knew Mponegele ke Itirele in 2002 while I was in primary school since then Mponegele showed me light, love and support. As an orphan I was privilege to be in a warm hands of every parent who are taking part in the project in terms of the advices, love, care and support.

Mponegele ke itirele is like a biological parent to me it ensures that I don't go to bed and to school with empty stomach and it gave me a better education. When I was still in primary and secondary they made sure that every day they will be someone to help me with my homework, and during weekends they will be professional lecturers from University of Limpopo to help me with major subject I was doing in Grade 10-12.

In 2012 they took me to one of the Capricorn FET College to study Hospitality which takes three years. During my 1st year I have managed to receive my level three certificate, but unfortunately I didn't manage to write one subject. Now I've completed level three and four certificates through the support of Mponegele ke Itirele. I want to take this opportunity to thank God and everybody who participate in this project, I appreciate your time and effort for showing me love.

Thank you very much for the light you brought to us (orphans).

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- Board members
- Child Care Forum

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