



2019

ORGANISATION PROFILE

*"History will judge us by the difference we make
in the everyday lives of children."*

NELSON MANDELA

OUR MISSION

Door of Hope strives to:

- ❖ **Save Abandoned Babies** via our "baby boxes" and other network relationships.
- ❖ **Bring Children Home** and provide a safe and loving family environment.
- ❖ **Build People of Character** meeting their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual needs.
- ❖ **Bridge a New And Better World** with competent, confident and courageous graduates.

OBJECTIVES

- To receive any abandoned and orphaned babies and children from any source in cooperation with other agencies.
- To provide a temporary Christian home for all our babies and children whilst seeking a forever family, or other permanent care for each one.
- To provide a permanent Christian home, a Family Village, for those children that are not adopted.

OUR HISTORY

Door of Hope began in 1999 as an initiative of the Berea Baptist Mission Church. Based in the inner-city of Johannesburg the Pastor Cheryl Allen and the church leaders discovered that scores of babies were being abandoned each month, many of which died. Cheryl realized that many of the desperate women and girls may well have acted differently had there been an alternative. The church made a hole in their wall and a 'Baby Bin' was installed allowing for mothers to leave their babies any time day or night for the church to take care of. The moment a baby is placed, care workers on duty receive an electronic signal alerting them. The baby is taken in and the anonymity of the "donor" ensured. News has spread and other babies have been brought personally by their mothers or have come through other means such as the police, community members, hospitals or clinics. By faith and reliance on God; and from small, humble beginnings; the ministry has grown with hundreds of children's lives being saved.

In 2014 Cheryl's two sons, Richard and David, also felt led to commit their time and energies to the work of saving abandoned babies. In recent days the need in South Africa has become all the more urgent with abandonment continuing to increase and adoptions decreasing by as much as 50% in recent years. Richard and David joined the Door of Hope team at the start of 2015 in order to seek a solution to this unfortunate reality. In order to provide a home for children that are not being matched with forever families they began the pursuit of a Village. The Village has gathered momentum and continues driving forward on the quest to Bring children home, Build people of character, and Bridge a new and better world.

OUR HOMES

The Door of Hope operates a number of delightful baby homes – not institutions – where babies enjoy the loving care



Faith



Hope



Love

of caregivers and volunteers. We have two homes based in Glenvista and one home in Berea. We are affiliated with an adoption agency (Abba Specialist Adoption and Social Services) that facilitates our adoptions both in South Africa and other parts of the world. Not all babies are adopted due to parental involvement, special needs, illness or death.

The Village land has been purchased and will be a space where those children who don't get adopted will find a home and a family to be raised with love and care. Numerous homes will be built where house parent/s will care for up to six abandoned children in each dwelling.

We aim at excellence in all things. Consequently, we have a reputation with civic and social authorities for providing a high standard of quality care and rendering superb service.

REGISTRATION AND GOVERNANCE

All three of Door of Hope's baby homes have been registered as Child & Youth Care Center's (C&YCC) and have been given the capacity to care for up to 119 babies / toddlers in total.

Non-Profit Organisation:	009-149	
Public Benefit Organisation (Tax Exemption):	130001409	
Child & Youth Care Center (C&YCC) Ref. No.:	12/2/3/2/26	(Baby House 1 – 15 Barbara Road)
	12/2/3/2/29	(Baby House 3 – 8 Copelia Ave.)
	12/2/3/2/30	(Baby House 2 – 17 Doris Street)

The *Village* project will be registered as a further C&YCC or under the cluster-foster care model. Negotiations with the Department of Social Development (DSD) are underway.

The management and control of The Mission is vested in a Council consisting of not more than ten. The current Board of Directors are as follows:

❖ Chairperson	-	Raphael Kayamba Kizobo
❖ Secretary	-	Jean Pierre Nseke-Nzenga
❖ Treasurer	-	Vernon Mitchell
❖ Chief Executive Officer	-	Richard Stewart Allen
❖ Chief Operation Officer	-	David John Allen

FINANCE

We are a faith-based organization and rely solely on donations and the generosity of others. Money and items donated to the Door of Hope go towards the continuation of our work. Our latest BEE letter certifies that 100% of the beneficiaries of Door of Hope meet the definition of "Black", as per the BEE Codes of Good Practice No. 29617, 9 February 2007, namely South African citizens who are African, Coloured, Indian and Chinese.

BANK DETAILS

SOUTH AFRICA

Bank:	Standard Bank of South Africa
Account Name:	Door of Hope Children's Mission
Account Number:	201072688
Branch Number:	006405
Swift Code:	SBZAJJ

CONTACT DETAILS

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