

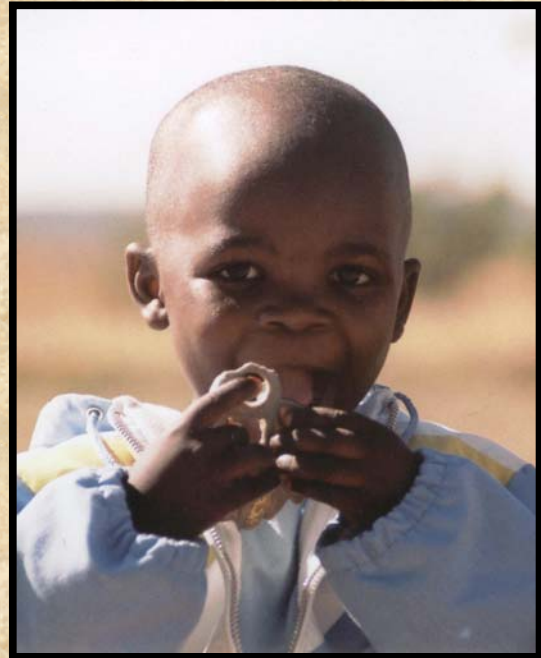
BETHESDA CHILD OF THE MONTH

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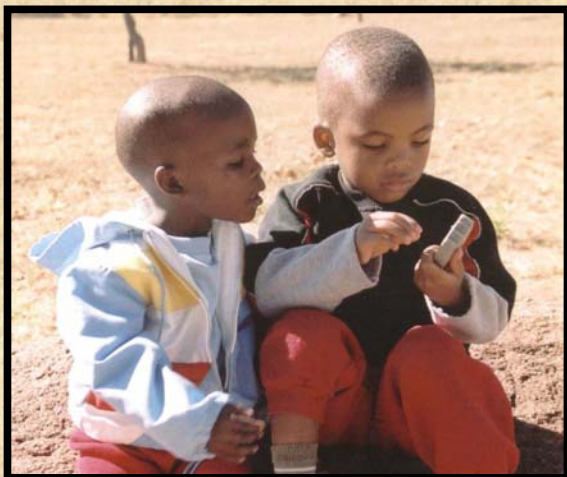
Albert -

Two-year-old Albert must have been a bit bewildered when his mother left him with a friend in March of 2005, because she never returned. After an unsuccessful search for his mother, Albert was placed in a temporary "Place of Safety" until the investigation could be completed. The mystery of his mother's disappearance was never solved, and in January of this year, social workers began looking for a long-term placement for little Albert.

After living in an institution for over a year, Albert was finally brought to his permanent family at Bethesda in early May. His new parents, Moses and Francina Mmotlana, welcomed him with open arms after months of waiting for the provincial magistrates to process the necessary paperwork. We praise God for his care of this little guy!



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Albert with new brother Siyabonga

Albert has already become known as the "spitfire" of the family! His boundless energy and quick moves have livened up the household and challenged his new parents! Please pray for Moses and Francina as they work to teach him boundaries after he's lived so many months without them. Pray also that God would give them wisdom, strength, and perseverance as they adjust to having four new children in the home within just a few months.

Pray that Albert would be a joy to his family as he learns of and responds to God's love evidenced through his new parents. We desire that he come to know the Lord at a young age, and we look forward to watching him grow!

* Pray for Albert *

- That he will come to know God's love and respond with faith, obedience, and joy
- That his new parents will have wisdom and perseverance as they disciple their children