

JACARANDA

We attend
The Valley of Hope
Missions School.

Look at our
new school
uniforms!

After school
we enjoy
outdoor
games...

Hello!
We live in Jacaranda
and we have just moved
house in Bulembu.



Each of us
has an
'office'.

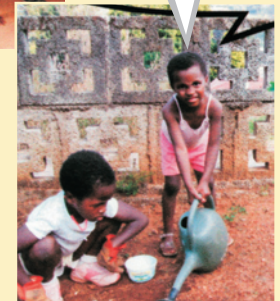
...and we all
have our
chores to do...



Would you like to look around?

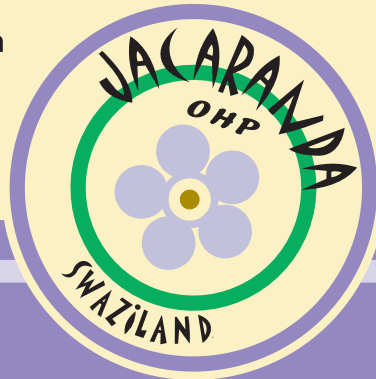
We work
independently
and we gain lots of
merits for good work!

...gardening



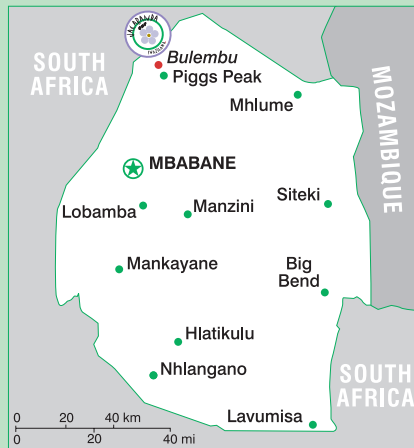
The Jacaranda Project is run by
Sisters of Order of the Holy Paraclete
in Bulembu near Piggs Peak, Swaziland.

It cares for abused
girls, many of them
victims of the
AIDS epidemic in
that country.



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SWAZILAND is a very beautiful land-locked country surrounded on 3 sides by South Africa with Mozambique to the east. It is ruled by King Mswati III.



The country is about the size of Wales but has a population of less than a million – half of them under the age of 15. Life expectancy is only 36.

Although there are good roads and fast cars, shopping malls and satellite TV, many people are very poor and eke out an existence as subsistence farmers. Many still count their wealth in cattle. Swaziland has one of the worst rates of HIV infection in the world at approximately 50%. UNICEF estimates that at least 112,000 children have been orphaned by AIDS.

The death rate continues to rise.

The loss to the economic life of the country is staggering, but the real tragedy is played out in the lives of innocent children.

Jacaranda is a 'safe house' and the girls, resilient as they are, soon respond to the care and protection they receive.



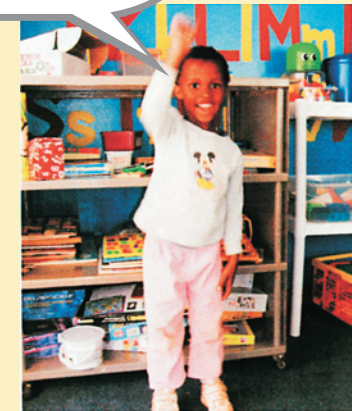
At Christmas and on Birthdays we have family celebrations and our houses bulge at the seams!

The Sisters have chosen not to have a very large number of children. This makes it possible to create a family home and to give each child individual attention.

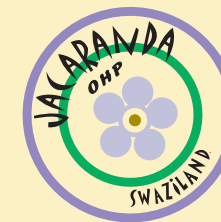
In future we plan to expand into a THIRD house...



Thank you for visiting us.



Would you like to help OHP to continue caring for these girls?



Information from:
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Cheques should be made payable to
The Order of the Holy Paraclete (Jacaranda)

Cheques may be Gift Aided

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