

#### Dear EAGLE Family,

The countdown to the 2023 Grade 7 Camp began the moment the buses left Shalom Campsite in 2022. We knew the next camp could only get better and we were all excited and ready for a fantastic one this year.

The Camp, aptly named Adventure Quest 2D23, started with Mentor Training on the first day. Kimberley, who, unfortunately caught a flu bug and was unable to travel, had prepared excellent resources for training mentors with the help of Annette Littier from encounterlearning.org. The sessions provided an opportunity to listen to EAGLE CEO Renee as she explained the EAGLE vision, hear an inspiring talk about our different callings and accepting responsibility, ask questions, and network with other mentors.

During the breaks, we shared what we had learned with each other. We also discussed how to keep learning groups fresh and exciting, and ways to infuse every session with God's love. We hope that by continuing to grow and develop mentors, we will positively impact the communities in which they work.

On Day 2 of the camp, we were pleased to see the Hope and Nduna Primary Schools' Grade 7 Class of 2023 and their teachers arrive, bubbling with excitement. We spent two days at Camp with them. Every morning, we had an exercise session to help them develop good habits. Delicious meals planned by Nokue and prepared by dedicated Shalom staff were a big hit.

The team delivered a fun, connected, intentional, and memorable learning experience that EAGLE is well known for. We hope Karen (DNA Education)'s lesson on giftings learned this year will take root and produce good fruit. It was incredible to see learners tackle team challenges wholeheartedly. They learned how to Code Unplugged using the Tanks game and they built toy cars from recycled materials. The highlight of the camp was watching them encouraging each other and reveling in the zipline and water slide. They buzzed with energy as Mdue led them in the theme song and Mahele played the keyboard. George passed his love of camp to the learners through games and energizers. Each day included lessons on God's love, our talents, the Prodigal Son, and how to deal with bullying. Mbongeli even ran a session on first aid, which the learners throughly enjoyed, while Denver set up equipment and materials before each session and Thamu captured everything on camera!

We appreciated how the mentors individually connected with and cared for the campers and practiced what they learned. It was truly memorable and left us feeling excited for the future. Together we made memories that will last a lifetime.

It's hard to believe that the camp has already come and gone.

Adventure Quest 2023 was a phenomenal success, and I want to thank everyone who made it possible!

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With love Bridget EAGLE Project Team Leader

ADVERIEURS QUESTION We asked our leadership team what they were most excited about going into the Adventure Quest camp...



CEO To engage with people with a passion for children and for Jesus.



To Capture the fun memories at camp.

Mdu **Content Creator** To share ideas with mentors and learn how they run their learning groups.

Bridget Project Team Leader To create unforgettable memories with the EAGLE Family.





I was most excited to hear how the journey has been for existing EAGLE Mentors.

## FURTHER | HIGHER | GREATER

Nokuthula Child Protection Officer Seeing the smiles and joy on learners' faces.



George Community Liaison Officer The opportunity to watch the campers embark on a journey

of self discovery through fun and meaningful worship experiences.





Seeing smiles and plans come to life.

# ADVENEURE QUESt....

We asked our mentors what their highlight at the Adventure Quest camp was...

#### Moses I enjoyed all the games and Competition activities from

start to finish.



Connecting with other people and connecting with the kids.

Tabeth

I loved sharing

ideas and the Opportunity to be innovative and creative. What an

adventure.

Monica The coding unplugged game was challenging, but it helped me realize that every child has unique strengths that should be encouraged.

#### Azaretha The experience revealed my passion for teaching. What an Unforgettable Experience

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Memory enjoyed the camp theme song and learnt how to connect with kids from Mdu.



At camp, my favorite part was exploring different sites and meeting new people.

Sifiso Making new friends while enjoying the stunning natural beauty of Shalom.

#### Nomagugu

I enjoyed the games, songs and the way the kids were treated, it was just amazing! It was wooow.



enjoyed the kid's' amazing energy during praise and Worship.



Awande I really enjoyed playing games and the zipline and waterslide were definitely the highlights of my experience.



Seeing the children lead praise and showing their joy by responding in dance to the glory of God ALMIGHTY.



Adventurous teaching moments with love, peace and prayer to achieve educational go'als.



Audrey I enjoyed the physical activities especially the zipline, though I was scared of heights once I committed myself, I had fun.

Prisca Learning a new language isn't a barrier to making friends. The sessions also instilled confidence in me.





## Adventure Quest theme sone...

### when I Look

Verse 1 God made me He made everything God loves me He can do anything If I run over here If I run over there God is everywhere And He loves me

#### Chorus

When I look up up up I know He's real When I look down down down I believe what I've found When I look in God's Word And I search for Him He rewards me 'Cause He loves me

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