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**News Flash...** \* The Sin that Turned Angels into Demons: And How to Protect Yourself from It can now be downloaded in PDF format to read and/or print at your convenience by [clicking here](#).

\* World Challenge.org - Home of David Wilkerson Ministries partners with Jewels 4 God - [Click to view](#).

### Swaziland Trainees Make Beautiful Jewelry

An average days' wages in Swaziland is less than \$1 USD. Within the first week after being trained Teen Challenge Swaziland sold over \$3,500 worth of jewelry. Helen Ward writes, *"Thank you for all you did for Teen Challenge Swaziland. It was a great experience for the trainees on your course. The jewelry you taught the team to produce was amazing, and we are so excited about the future prospects for this project."*



[Click Here to View All of the Training Photos from Swaziland.](#)

	<p>Michelle and I were honored to train 10 of the staff and foster Moms of AIDS abandoned children at The "Lighthouse" Teen Challenge Swaziland how to make beautiful handcrafted jewelry out of semi-</p>
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precious stones and .925 silver. The trainees will now use their newly acquired skills to train other foster Moms (many of which are widows).

[Click here to learn how the training works.](#)

## AIDS is Devastating Swaziland

Over the last five years, the population of Swaziland has decreased from 1.3 million to 856,000 due to the AIDS virus. The average life expectancy is only 39 years. More than fifty percent of females between the ages of 15-24 are infected. If this death rate continues the nation's population will be nearly wiped out within one generation leaving just a holy remnant.

## About The "Lighthouse" Teen Challenge Swaziland

The "Lighthouse" is truly a light to the nation of Swaziland reaching out to the poor, brokenhearted, abandoned, diseased, and desperate. They have two residential rehabilitation programs for males and females, a Teen Challenge leadership school, a preschool, medical center, community outreach programs, three church plants, and twenty homes that care for 120 abandoned children. *On the right, Kevin Ward, Executive Director of Teen Challenge Swaziland holds up a necklace made by one of the trainees.*



## Meet Two of the Rescued Orphans



Musa Today

When Musa was only a few months old his father was shot and killed during a war in Mozambique. His alcoholic mother moved to Swaziland so she and her children could live on the streets and beg. Musa started using drugs and by the age of 13 was desperate for help. He was addicted to drugs and taking care of his sister's infant son, Bongi. Musa and Bongi were both rescued by The "Lighthouse." Today, Musa serves as a staff member at Teen Challenge and Bongi continues to live in a loving Christian home for abandoned children with his foster Mom.

## Ponder This...

"Pure and lasting religion in the sight of God our Father means that we must care for orphans and widows in their troubles" (James 1:27). In the parable of the sheep and the goats (Matthew 25) Jesus said that whenever we help hurting people we are really helping Him. He taught us that the greatest way to love Him is by helping those who need to be helped the most.

### **Our Mission Continues...**

At the Samudra Sri Orphanage in Sri Lanka (April 11-22). Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated!

*"Give others a fish and you feed them once. Teach them to fish and feed them for a lifetime."*

Blessings

Tim Zello

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*And they will be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son that serves him (Malachi 3:17).*

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#### **Planned 2008 Overseas Ministry Schedule:**

**January** - Jewelry Training - **India**

**February** - Jewelry/Textile Training & Daughters of the King Conference - **India**

**March** - Jewelry - **Jamaica**

Jewelry Training - **Swaziland**

Jewelry Training - **South Africa**

**April** - Jewelry Training - **Sri Lanka**

**September** - Professional Counseling - **India**

**October** - Professional Counseling - **India**

Professional Counseling - **South Africa**

**Fall/2008** - **Jamaica, Cambodia**

**Winter/Spring 2009** - **Uzbekistan, Russia (Siberia)**

**Written Requests for Training Where Funds are Still Needed:** Macedonia, Uruguay, Pakistan