

Reflection 1

Dear Father Tim,

Taking another trip to MYC was truly a very rewarding experience. Sharing the experience with our 18 kids and 9 adults makes me very happy. My goal is to create a chain reaction where everyone touched by the experience will in turn give back in numerous ways. These are a few thoughts I would like to share with you and all those at MYC:

1. It made me so happy to visit some of the kids I met 3 years ago, and to see how well they were doing. It's clear that MYC is definitely doing something right. All of the children have the ability to become someone really great, and can give back to their communities if managed correctly. Everyone loves discipline; adults and kids. Speaking from my own experiences, when we are held accountable we typically perform a lot better. I am speaking about how the homes are run.
2. Creating the girls home was such a great idea, and I feel they will thrive in their newly renovated home. It's so true that, "when you educate a girl you educate a nation." As our old African proverb says, if given the opportunity, these girls will rise to great success. Once Mike is finished with the home, kitchen, etc. the girls should be expected to keep it up, and I'm sure they will have lots of pride in it.
3. All of the girls have the potential to do well academically.

Reflection 2

I had a great memorable trip and I was very impressed with the hope house that Lovemore's clinic ran so well. It is a great facility to have.

Reflection 3

Overall the trip was brilliant and I just want to say thank you again for the great trip. This was an amazing experience and I appreciate all the work you did organizing it. Hopefully we'll see each other again in the future.

Reflection 4

First of all, I want to thank you for the wonderful trip; it was the experience of a lifetime. It is difficult to talk so soon without digesting the whole thing. First of all what Fr. Magic is doing, IS MAGIC!!! He needs serious help to run the whole operation. I found Swaziland to be a bit like Ireland 60-70 years ago. Once we

got a bit of education and support, we couldn't be stopped. In summary, the keys to success may be considered: education, trades, self-sufficient, small-scale farming (i.e. gardening).

Reflection 5

Dear Father Tim,

I think what is being done right now in Swaziland is extremely important, as well as beneficial for the kids. The steps that are being taken right now to help these children should continue to be taken. I enjoyed getting to work with the kids on things like reading, painting, and building while we were in Manzini. Again, the experience was amazing and I think the work that is being done there is truly beneficial and special.

Reflection 6

Thank you so much for such an incredible trip! I'm so glad I was able to come again and share this experience with you. Here is my message for Father Tim:

I can't stress how wonderful it was to have Father Tim with us this time around. It is clear that he cares immensely for each and every child, and I saw the kids light up whenever they were around him. So much good is being done at the school and homes, and each child I met seems to be looked after and cared for.

Overall, it was incredible to see all the good MYC has done in the last few years. After connecting so strongly with Jeanie three years ago and coming back and to see how wonderfully she is doing, I was able to see that all of these kids are in good hands. I can't thank you enough for all you are doing for these wonderful children and for letting us come be a part of it!

Reflection 7

Our time spent in Manzini was unforgettable. I went into this trip with no expectations, as I didn't really know what was coming; I had never done anything like this before. To be completely honest, I didn't really expect to make such an impact; I figured volunteers came and went all the time and we were no different. However, the way the children reacted to our work and even just our presence really showed me how wrong I was and made everything so worthwhile. I really liked seeing the way the kids interacted with each other, but getting to know them was so bittersweet because we were there for such a short time.

I can't really think of anything right now to improve on besides maybe the duration of the trip because it was such an amazing experience. Thanks so much for letting me be a part of this great trip. I hope to join you again in the future.



Reflection 8

My time at Enjabulweni was unforgettable and you helped make all of us feel welcome and proud of the work we did there. The school was filled with smiles and laughter, which was amazing to see. The experience of playing and working with all the kids at the school was amazing! Thanks for everything you did!

Reflection 9

Thank you for an amazing experience for and welcoming us to Enjabulweni. You really made us feel right at home and my time there exceeded all expectations. There wasn't a child I met that didn't have the potential to be a wonderful and successful individual and I truly enjoyed every minute spent with each of them. Thanks again for a wonderful trip.

Reflection 10

I really enjoyed my time at MYC. It was very different to what I imagined but in a good way. The kids had so much less than everyone here at home, but they were all so happy and grateful for what they did have. It was really great to see the shoes that we raised the money for being given to the kids. All the kids seemed to love sports and be really good at them especially soccer.

Reflection 11

All in all, we thought father Tim and the rest of the hardworking, commendable people at the bridging are doing an incredible job.

We want to thank you again for an incredible and humbling experience. Your commitment to this organization and the wonderful, beautiful people of Swaziland is truly an inspiration. You mean so much to us! We look forward to staying apart and continuing on the Swazi journey.

Reflection 12

Dear Father Tim,

I thank you for your kindness and all that you did to welcome our group of volunteers, and especially for the beautiful mass you held for us. My days at MYC were simply unforgettable. The systems you have in place seem quite efficient, and it is truly a wonderful sight to see the radiant smiles on the faces of these children.

I was impressed by the children's skills in art and music and was glad to see that attention is being paid to the arts in school, as the children seem to enjoy it. What I saw and experienced at MYC was extremely



pleasant. The concert we held on July 4th stands out in my memory not only because it was the night we parted with our new friends, but because it was such an exciting celebration. The concert also created an opportunity for the community to come together, and for the kids to show off their talent and hard work. I think events like that are very good for them. I will always remember my time with MYC and I hope to return someday in the future. Thank you again.

Reflection 13

I enjoyed finally being able to see in person what/who SwaziLegacy helps and how it is done. I also loved spending time at the school and playing with the kids

