THE BISHOPS FOUNDATION
Newsletter

A quarter of the year is over already. I can't believe it. These three months have flown. We have been busy in the Foundation. The income for this quarter (R322,000) was exceptional due to the fact that many made a donation in order to get a Section 18A certificate for SARS. Just be reminded that the Foundation is registered with SARS as a PBO and is empowered to issue BEE compliance and section 18A certificates to any donor who requests them. Any one in business especially is invited to use the Foundation as a vehicle for charitable donations.

One of the projects receiving attention in the Foundation is the provision of water tanks in drought stricken areas. When we get some photos we will post them. There is no need to elaborate on the drought situation in rural South Africa. It is on the TV and print media regularly.

The target of 1000 Catholics is still falling short of the total number. There are almost 1 million Catholics in Johannesburg alone. We are 10 short of 400 on the list of regular contributors. Where are the other 600. When I meet and speak with people they come on board but it is slow work. This where you come in. You have to help me and bring in others. Like St. Peter, you must become fishers. The Foundation is doing good work, reaching to struggling communities and organizations. The people running these projects are the real heroes. Where are all the other wage earners in your circle? Recruit them into the outreach in love of the Church. Many more can afford R100 a month. It will buy you very little at the present time but when we all give a little we can make a big difference. In this Year of Mercy the Holy Father almost on a daily basis asks us to share what we can with those in greater need. Don't be afraid, ashamed or shy to promote the Foundation. Family, friends, colleagues at work, wherever and who ever.  Phone me 072 469 3710 or email me for details bmcaleer@sacbc.org.za. God bless you all.

Fr. Barney



From the desk of Father Barney McAleer