

# You are loved

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The purpose of the camp was to love on the kids—and in doing so, show the Father's immense love for them. Most of the children in the village of Rooigrond only have one parent, and most are alcoholics and indifferent as to whether the kids even are present. Many have never been told they are loved.

My purpose on this trip was to love on them and tell them of a Father who knows each of their names and loves them so much he would trade the life of his only Son for them.

I was so privileged to be allowed the opportunity to set a spark of hope in these children—hope in the truth that they are loved by Christ and have a purpose in him.

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