

HELPING ALL WE CAN...ONE AT A TIME.

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

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AAO Executive Director

The kids had an exciting start to the new year with a lovely visit from international singer-songwriter and AAO Goodwill Ambassador, **Azania Noah**. Here is some of what she had to say about her time at the Center:

"I had a wonderful time visiting with the children and a few of the staff members there, for several hours. First, we began with the distribution of clothes, children's books and DVDs that were donated by friends of mine for the Center. I brought 2 suitcases full. Then my brother, Maduka, and I entertained the children with stories and singing, and my brother tried to memorize all their names, too. A few boys shared their great artwork with us. The videographer, Julian Jackson, captured some of the



children's singing, classroom learning and playing, as well as conducted interviews with me, some of the staff and some children. It was heartwarming, and we look forward to helping the Center with our future fund-raising and awareness efforts."

We are so blessed to have Azania volunteering her time and talent to help the children of All As One. She is currently working on making a promotional video for AAO, which will hopefully help raise awareness and funds. **It is people like Azania and all of you who make this work possible. Please give as you are able, and share our needs with any and all who will listen. Thank you!**

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