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FACT SHEET

MegaCARE & Philanthropic Initiatives

WHAT: *MegaCARE* will provide health care and educational opportunities to the people of South Africa and Swaziland during *MegaFest International*. *MegaCARE*, a new component of *MegaFest*, will allow the event to fulfill its commission of meeting the spiritual and physical needs of all people. Plans include:

- A health initiative which offers comprehensive medical services to the general public. Men, women and children will receive health screenings, HIV counseling and testing, dental and ophthalmic care, family and individual counseling, and referral services.
- Potter's House Counselors will offer "Help for the Helper" Self-Care Seminars for a local school and healthcare personnel.
- A community health fair showcasing organizations that provide "best practices" in South Africa.
- Counselors will offer educational briefs on gender-based violence, couple matters, spiritual health and self-care during the Healthy Lifestyle Seminar.

Other philanthropic initiatives occurring during *MegaFest International* include:

- The construction of two houses in South Africa for low income families to replace their existing substandard homes.
- The construction of The Potter's House for Children in Swaziland, a one-story structure, where children 6 years old and younger who have lost one or both parents to AIDS can receive education, training, medical care and meals. A new water well will also be added to serve the center with safe, clean water.
- Rehabilitation of two water wells in Zambia.

WHO:

- Terra Cotta International, the global outreach arm of The Potter's House
- The Potter's House Office of Counseling and Behavioral Health
- World Vision
- The United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)
- Pro-Health International
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in South Africa
- Local churches
- Society for Family Health/New Start (South Africa & Swaziland)
- Niall Mellon Township Trust
- The ONE Campaign

WHERE: **Expo Centre (Nasrec)** Johannesburg, South Africa
Somhlolo National Stadium in Swaziland

WHEN: **October 11** through **12** in South Africa
October 14 through **18** in Swaziland

WHY: Bishop Jakes and The Potter's House have a strong desire to help the people of Africa. That dedication has brought wells, food, educational assistance and medical resources to the continent. The Potter's House continues its reach into the continent through *MegaCARE* by providing necessary services and programs. The Potter's House is inviting the world to join in and help change lives.

COST: Health services
Educational exchange
Housing for qualified families
Center for children