

Jabulani which means 'Happiness' or 'Rejoice' is our hospital entertainer programme that brings warmth and cheer to children, provides relief from the boredom of being confined to a hospital bed and invites the child and family to enter a magical world, where for a moment, they can forget about their illness.

Unfortunately, it is not always possible for children to leave the hospital due to various circumstances – sometimes the children are too ill to leave their beds and sometimes they are connected to medical equipment. It is in these circumstances that Reach For A Dream provides an entertainer to visit the children who are hospital bound. This enables us to reach the children that cannot go on the group

outings and who are left at the hospitals.

The Jabulani's perform for the children using magic, balloons, juggling tricks, unicycles and anything else that they can get their hands on; and with improvisation turn pain into laughter. Their yellow jackets are well known in hospital wards and some children wait patiently all morning for a visit. Medical and hospital staff have verified that the presence of clowns in a hospital has a positive effect on the children. For hospitalised children, entertainers and clowns increase patient cooperation and decrease parental and patient anxiety.

Our Jabulanis conducted 445 visits in hospitals across South Africa in the last year and touched the lives of approximately 22,250 children.











