
Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out.

A young woman approached CMR heartbroken! She was at a very low and sad point in her life. Her young daughter was recently removed from her care as a result of her destitute living conditions and drug addiction. Her daughter was placed in foster care in another Province with one of the father's relations. Any contact with her daughter was unreasonably denied and she soon became very depressed and disillusioned with life and the welfare support system. She was very open and honest about her past and acknowledged her mistakes and shortcomings. She was committed to turning her life around and getting her precious daughter back to live with her again.

SHE WORKED HARD TO MEET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY TO REGAIN CUSTODY OF HER DAUGHTER. Soon she also became engaged and was in a stable and secure relationship. Having maintained a drug free lifestyle and improved living conditions, the transfer of her daughter into her care was joyfully imminent.

JUST WHEN SHE THOUGHT SHE HAD MET AND CONQUERED ALL HER CHALLENGES, SHE WAS FACED WITH ANOTHER – her fiancé was offered a good job opportunity out of the Country requiring them to emigrate immediately. And once again the re-unification process needed to be put on hold.

BY THIS STAGE THE CMR RE-UNIFICATION WORKER WAS NO LONGER ASSIGNED TO THIS CASE AND IT SEEMED AS IF IT WAS GOING TO BE IMPOSSIBLE TO HAVE THE CHILD RETURNED TO THE MOTHER'S CARE. The mother and CMR social worker were determined however, and continued to maintain contact. With persistent recommendations and follow up reports from the CMR Social Worker to the new case worker assigned to the case; mother and daughter were finally re-united on 27 April 2018!

