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Dear Friend,

Jesus instructs us in Mark 16:15, "*Go into all of the world and preach the Gospel to all creation.*" This is what compels us at SFJ to go, and He has given us an effective ministry strategy that demonstrates His love in a powerful way. I want to share a testimony with you that I just received from our partner in Liberia.

"When our team arrived at the Vuhullah Orphanage, 370 children and staff were gathered in a small compound. The director explained that she began to care for children after the Civil War because their parents died and they had nowhere to go. Immediately, I began to share with them all about the love of Christ; and when our team began to wash feet it became very quiet and every eye was carefully watching. Next, I extended the free gift of salvation in Jesus and 89 children along with staff responded with hands raised! Such joy filled the compound along with singing, and we could feel a heavy weight lifted! The director shared these words with us at the end of the day, *"Your message of love and your gifts of shoes will be remembered by us*

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## "The Open Door" Featuring SFJ

It was an honor to attend the premier of, "The Open Door" this month! Diane had the opportunity to share about SFJ prior to the showing and they also held a shoe drive at the premier. This movie tells a beautiful story of Sam and how his life changes the attitudes of his family, friends and community towards those with special needs. SFJ is featured in the movie, as Sam holds a shoe drive in his town. We sincerely thank everyone at Salty Earth Pictures for doing such a fantastic job on this film! Check out the trailer [here!](#)

*forever. Our children have felt war and rejection, but today they experienced the greatest love from a God who will never leave them. Thank you for bringing God's love to our home."*

I can't thank you enough for making this possible! May the Lord bless you and cause His face to shine on you for bringing hope and the love of Christ to those who are forgotten. In closing, I'd like to invite you to respond to the invitation below, and I would be so honored to have you as our guest on November 11th. Several tables are still available, and I am very grateful for each person who has already shown your support by making plans to join us. I'm so blessed by our Soles For Jesus family, and I sincerely thank you!

In Christ alone,

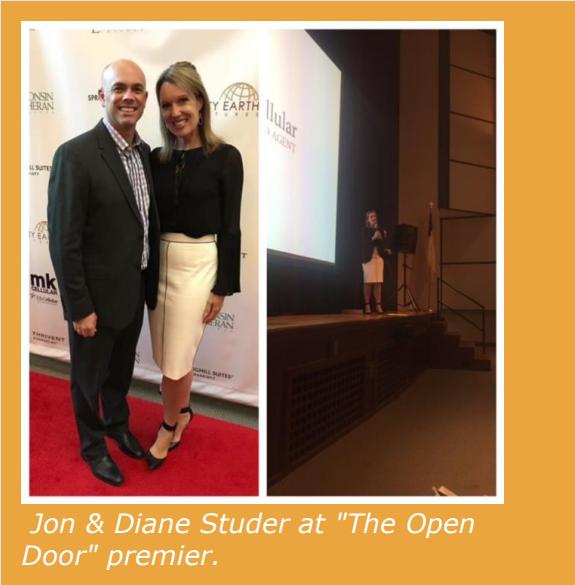
Diane Studer  
Founder/Executive Director



*Orphans in Liberia receiving the love of Jesus and shoes!*



## Fashion Show Luncheon



*Jon & Diane Studer at "The Open Door" premier.*

## Shipment to Burkina Faso with World Missionary Press

We praise the Lord for the joint shipment of shoes and Gospel booklets from SFJ and World Missionary Press that arrived in the Port of Abidjan, Ivory Coast a few days ago. Pastor Lombo is working with the customs officials to finalize the paperwork so the container can make its final journey of 700 miles by truck to Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. Please pray for the completion of this process and for God's power and love to saturate each person who receives these gifts.

You can view pictures of the shipment to Burkina Faso [HERE](#).



*Our shipping container arrived in the Port of Abidjan.*

## **& Auction: November 11th, 2017!**

### **Tables & tickets are ON SALE NOW!**

We are so grateful for each of our event sponsors and for the 490 seats that are already filled! For those who don't have seats yet, there's still a table left for you. 110 seats remain, and we invite you to secure yours today by using the green link above to "Buy Tickets". If you'd like to view a short video from last year's event, please click [HERE](#).

The 2017 Fashion Show Luncheon & Auction will take place from 10:30am to 2pm at the Italian Conference Center in Milwaukee, WI. This is going to be a fabulous event with special keynote speaker Dr. Dick Eastman, Every Home for Christ's International President, and you don't want to miss it! Tables and seats are limited, so be sure to act fast and get yours right away.

**You can make your purchase and find more event information at [www.SolesForJesus.org](http://www.SolesForJesus.org) or by phone at (414)365-1392.** We look forward to seeing you there!

**Event Sponsorships:** Three Bronze Table Sponsorships remain for this year's event. As a Sponsor, your name or business will be recognized through printed material, social media, company signage and verbally honored at our event. You'll also receive one full table, with seating for ten guests. If you're interested, please contact Diane Studer for more information at [DStuder@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:DStuder@SolesForJesus.org). A big THANK YOU to all of our Gold and Silver sponsors for your support, as we are sold-out of these tables.

**Auction items:** We are extremely grateful for those who donate items to our silent auction! Fun packages like weekend get-aways and vacations, gift

## **Shipment to Botswana**

This has been a busy month of prayer and preparation for Brother Tanga, our partner in Botswana. His ministry team just started shoe distributions and they are eager to share the Gospel with even more villages in October. They are praising God for the shoes and the Gospel books that were sent to them as a joint shipment between SFJ and World Missionary Press. Having both of these tools available to them allows them to share the Gospel even more effectively. Please continue to pray for this team as they travel long hours to distant places to reach people for the Kingdom of God. Brother Tanga sends his deepest appreciation for your prayers and support.

To view pictures of the shipment to Botswana click [HERE](#).



*Ready to share God's love and shoes in rural Botswana.*

## **Shipment to Liberia**

Zohn Tarr is a town located in Bomi County, the poorest county in Liberia. The EHC team was met upon arrival by the town chief, Eric Kaidii, in this predominately Muslim community. After gathering his people in the Town Hall, he introduced the visitors and allowed them to share the message of salvation in Jesus Christ. We praise the Lord that 43 persons gave their lives to Christ

baskets, sports tickets and suites are all great items for guests to bid on. We also appreciate creative ideas for services, items or 'experiences' (ie: boat tours or gourmet dinners) as donations. Your business and item will be listed in our fashion show event program and we will acknowledge your tax-deductible donation after the event for tax purposes. Please contact Kris at [kmonteen@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:kmonteen@SolesForJesus.org) if you are able to donate. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

## New this Year - Mobile Bidding!

This year we are excited to add Mobile Bidding to our event! What does this mean? Mobile Bidding allows all bids for the silent auction to be entered by using a smartphone or tablet. We recommend that your phone is fully charged before the event, so that you don't run out of battery at a crucial time.

**If you don't have a smartphone, don't worry!** When you are ready to place a bid for an item, simply locate one of our many Bidder Assistants and they will be happy to assist you with the bidding process.

## Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

**Knollwood Farm Shoe Drive** - Thank you, Emma Peterson, for coordinating the shoe drive at Knollwood Farm. What a blessing to receive over 100 pairs of shoes from your collection!

including eight Muslims.

As the boxes of shoes were unloaded, the people of the town could not hide their emotion. The entire group broke out into singing and dancing. So many of them expressed their thanks to Soles For Jesus for sending gifts and shoes from so far away. Following the distribution, the town chief shared, "For two years now I have not had money to buy a pair of shoes. Today I want thank Soles For Jesus for giving me these shoes." Please intercede with us for even more people throughout Liberia to receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

You can view more pictures of the shipment to Liberia [HERE](#).



*The people of Zohn Tarr celebrating God's love.*

## Shipment to Malawi

Our partner in Malawi, Pastor Blessings, wrote to us to express his appreciation for our partnership in reaching his nation for Christ. We want to share this message of deep thanks to you, as the supporters of SFJ helped to make this possible. "Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I would like to say thank you very much for the shoes that you sent to Malawi. We don't take for granted that this gift was



Shoes collected at Knollwood Farm.

**David Dalhmann in WI** - Our special thanks to David from New Song Church. For his 10th birthday, he asked for shoes to be donated instead of gifts, and here are just a few of the 60 pairs he collected!



David at this 10th birthday party.

**Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Waukesha**- A huge Thank You to the 8th grade students at Trinity Lutheran School in Waukesha for loading over 1,000 pairs of shoes collected by 3 local churches. Diane also enjoyed speaking at the OWLS Group luncheon at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are so grateful for these students and seniors who worked together to touch so many lives in Africa!

from the hand of God and a blessing that came to the nation of Malawi at the right time. Many people here in the villages don't own a single pair of shoes. However, with the shipment of shoes we received, you have put joy on the faces of many people young and old. Thank you and God bless you for all that gave towards this shoe distribution. To God be all the glory and all the praise."

View pictures of the shipment to Malawi [HERE](#).



What a JOY to give shoes to these mothers in Malawi!

## Testimony From Lesotho

We continue to receive wonderful testimonies from Lesotho! Mrs. Mapule Ngakane, a village elder, shared the following with our ministry partner, Josias.

"I want to tell you how everyone in our village appreciated and was deeply touched by the ministry of SFJ recently. The gifts of shoes and the Gospel books are greatly cherished. Brother Josias and his team even took the time to pray for our individual needs, and this gave us great hope and comfort. We felt as if Jesus himself had visited our village. Because of this visit, many lives have been changed and many people



*Thank you, Trinity & Grace Evangelical Lutheran!*

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School in WI**- We are thrilled that St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School has selected Soles For Jesus to be their First Quarter Missions Project! They recently began their shoe drive and Yenh was honored to be a part of their kick-off as she shared in their morning chapel service. Thank you all for being such a blessing!



*Yenh sharing at St. Paul's Lutheran School.*

**Diane and Yenh at WeatherStone Church in WI** - Thank you WeatherStone Church in New Berlin for the invitation to come and share at

have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. We really thank for your love for us." View pictures of the shipment to Lesotho [HERE](#).



*A woman receiving a pair of shoes & a Gospel booklet.*

## Volunteer of the Month

We are thrilled to honor Tammy Breckenfelder as our September Volunteer of the Month! Tammy shared a great story about how she heard about Soles For Jesus. "My dear friend, Jen, was on the initial mission trip where Diane received her calling. I can still vividly remember sitting in Jen's kitchen, hearing the details about the trip and how all of the initial pieces fell into place. I knew right from the start that this was something that I wanted to be a part of!"

Tammy is one of our SOS leaders where she helps lead volunteers in our warehouse, and she says volunteering at a 2-hour SOS event is so much fun! Tammy also shared that, "SOS events are a great time to serve along side family and friends. The time goes by quickly and everyone at SFJ is extremely respectful of your time."

Tammy is married to her high school sweetheart, and they will be celebrating their 19th anniversary next month along with their two boys! God bless

your, "Back to Church Sunday" services to help kick-off your shoe drive! We are so grateful for your faithful partnership through shoe donations and financial support.



*Diane sharing in the morning services at WeatherStone Church.*

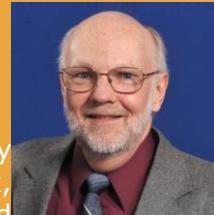
**Chad Kaun in WI-** Birthday blessings to our friend Chad Kaun, who is a brother to our faithful SOS leader, Nick. For Chad's 18th birthday celebration, he asked his guests to bring shoes to donate for people in Africa. Wow, we are touched by your generosity, Chad! Thank you both for being such a special part of our SFJ family!

your family, Tammy, and we thank you for all that you do for SFJ!



Tammy Breckenfelder, September VOM!

## Meet One of Our Partners



Meet our ministry partner, Harold Mack, President of World Missionary Press in New Paris, Indiana. World Missionary Press is a literature ministry that produces many varieties of scripture booklets in more than 340 languages, and sends them around the world. During their 55 years of ministry, God has enabled them to produce more than two billion scripture booklets. SFJ partners with World Missionary Press to provide people in Africa with shoes and a scripture booklet printed in their language. We are grateful for how the Lord has connected our ministries, so that together we can meet the spiritual and physical needs of people.

Harold's goal is to produce 10 million



*Chad with the shoes collected at his party.*

**Amanda Strassburg at Calvary Church in WI** - Special thanks to our dear friend, Amanda, for sharing SFJ with her church family last Sunday morning. Amanda had the opportunity to tell the congregation about her mission trip with SFJ's Team Tanzania, and also about our strategy of sharing shoes with the love of Christ and ways to get involved. We're so thankful for all she does for SFJ!

scripture booklets per month, and he specifically asks for prayer for these things:

- Wisdom, grace, and strength for the work.
- Funding to increase production.

## **Thank you for the Silent Auction Donations Received This Month!**

- Advanced Wildlife Control
- Andrew and Rachel Sawyer
- Brookfield Center for the Performing Arts
- East Town Association
- Hawk's View Golf Club
- Jason's Deli
- Jen Hardy
- Joe and Renee Schultz
- Julie Behling
- Karla Pappalardo
- Kendra Chiolis
- Kristen Adam
- Lakeshore Chinooks
- Maggiano's
- Milwaukee Admirals
- Milwaukee Repertory Theater
- Pour Vous
- Racine Zoological Society
- Sarah Baratka
- Sharon Lynn Wilson Center for the Arts
- Shedd Aquarium
- Sherry Mahnke
- Steve and Sue Klinger
- Susan Jansen
- The Big Backyard
- Thirsty Duck
- Wisconsin Athletic Club
- Yeshua's Elegance

## **Thank You for the Shoes Received this Month!**



Amanda sharing at Calvary Church in West Bend.

**Janet and Jon Brown in WI** - Thank you, Janet and Jon Brown, for delivering shoes once again from Journey Church in Kenosha. Your continual love and support is such a blessing, and we appreciate you and your church family!



Janet & Jon Brown with shoes from Journey Church.

- Bethesda Baptist, WI
- Christ Alone Lutheran Church, WI
- Crosspoint Community Church, WI
- David Dahlmann, WI
- Debra Loveridge, WI
- Emma Peterson, WI
- Euleta Persall, OK
- Fay Flatow, WI
- Guardian HealthStaff, WI
- Jen Hanson and friends, WI
- Journey Church, WI
- Karl and Marva Schlueter, WI
- Knollwood Farm, WI
- Lifeline Church, WI
- Luther Manor, WI
- Matt and Allison Clemens, IN
- My Yo My Frozen Yogurt, WI
- Neat Repeats, WI
- New Balance, WI
- New Song Ministries, WI
- Nick and Chad Kaun, WI
- Oconomowoc Rotary Club, WI
- Performance Running Outfitters, WI
- Princeton Club, WI
- Roberta Pratt and Sussex Friends, WI
- Scott & Jackie DeCleene, WI
- St. Martin Church and School, WI
- Steve and Kirsten Ortiz, TX
- WeatherStone Church, WI
- Wels Bargain Center, WI
- Wisconsin Athletic Club- North Shore
- Wisconsin Athletic Club- Wauwatosa

## Your Donation Impacts Lives!

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# Volunteer Opportunities

**SOS Events (Sort & Organize Shoes)** Join us as we gather at our Milwaukee, WI warehouse to prepare shoes for shipment to Africa! New volunteers are always welcome and we will have a brief orientation before each event. Please contact us at 414-365-1392 or [Yenh@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Yenh@SolesForJesus.org) to sign-up for a time to come and volunteer.

## October

Saturday, October 14th, 9-11am  
Tuesday, October 17th, 6:30-8:00pm  
Thursday, October 19th, 9-11am **FULL**  
Saturday, October 21st, 9-11am **FULL**  
Saturday, October 28th, 9-11am

## November

Saturday, November 4th, 9-11am  
Thursday, November 16th, 6-8pm  
Saturday, November 18th, 9-11am  
Thursday, November 30th, 9-11am

**“Business Hours” SOS:** Volunteers are welcome to come during weekdays to sort shoes (Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm). Come and sort shoes when it fits your schedule. You can sort for an hour or a day - it's entirely up to you. Also, please feel free to bring friends! Training will be provided, and SFJ staff will always be available to provide support. For more details about this opportunity, please contact Mark Ellefson at [Mellefson@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Mellefson@SolesForJesus.org) or 414-365-1392, and please let us know 48 hours in advance that you're coming.

**SOS Group Event:** Schedule a special date to host your own group! Are you a part of a sports team, small group, or club in your work, school, church, or community? Volunteering together to organize and pack shoes for Africa is a rewarding, 2 hour, team building opportunity for youth and adults (12+ years). Please contact Yenh at [Yenh@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Yenh@SolesForJesus.org) or 414-365-1392 to set up your volunteer group.

