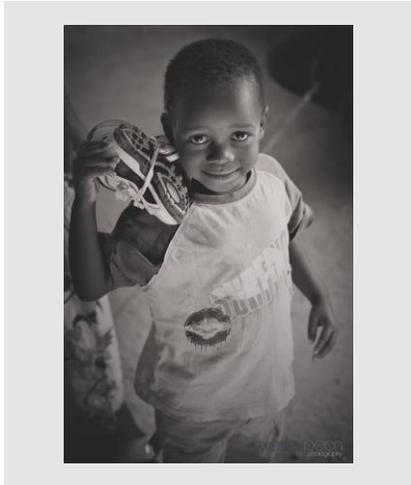




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Dear Friend,

I just returned from Washington D.C. where I attended board meetings for our partner ministry, Every Home for Christ. During our visit, we made a stop at the Holocaust Museum, and there was one exhibit that I won't forget. Almost every day of my life, I see piles of donated shoes. But I have never seen one like this. It was sobering to realize that each pair represented an innocent life that was persecuted and killed. These "shoes of death" carried a weight of oppression that was tangible.

As I stood in that room, the Holy Spirit spoke so clearly to my heart, "I have called you to bring **"shoes of life!"** Tears filled my eyes, as I thanked Him for thousands of people who found eternal life in Jesus by the 350,000 pairs that have been sent in His name. These "shoes of life" have served as a catalyst for the harvest in Africa, and I asked Him once again to help us leverage everything we can to bring His love to all nations! I can't thank you enough for your support.

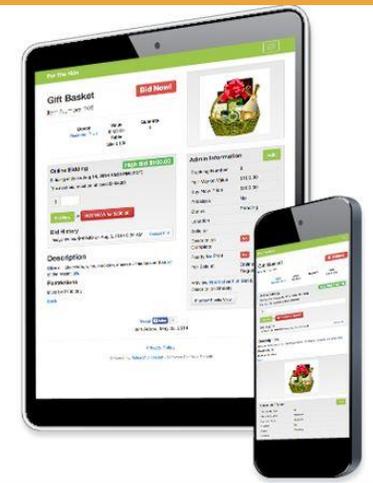
I am so excited for our fashion show luncheon that's in 11 days! Thank you to all who are already coming— and the great news is that we still have a few tables and seats left for you! I would love for you to join us, so please call the office (414-365-1392) or get your seats online today! This is our biggest event of the year and I'm thrilled to have Dr. Dick Eastman as our keynote speaker. You

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How do I bid at the Fashion Show Luncheon & Auction?

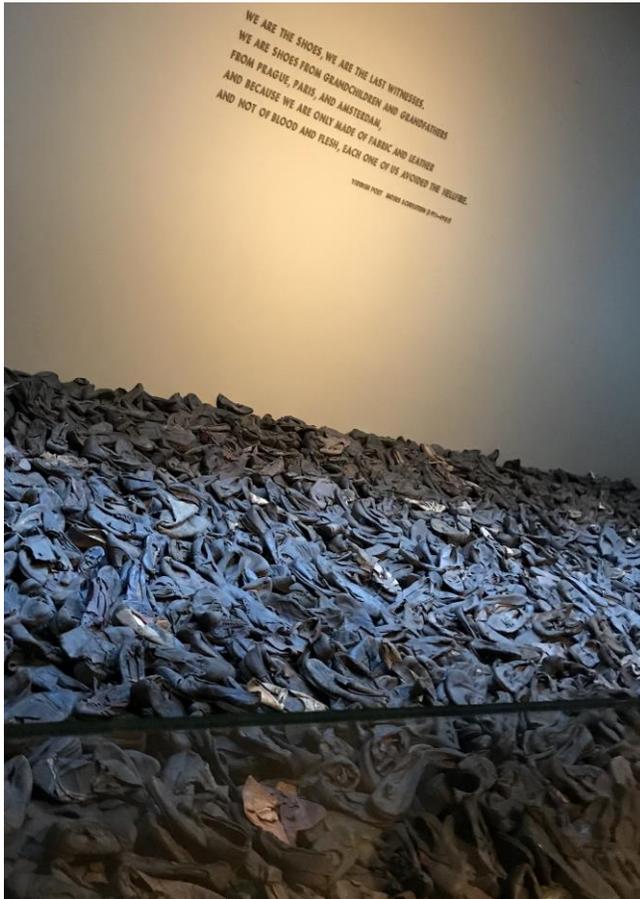
One exciting new feature that you'll see at the Fashion Show Luncheon this year is that we've gone to mobile bidding! Gone are the days of writing your bids down and trying to get back to the items to check if you're still the highest bidder! With mobile bidding, you'll be able to use your smart phone to place bids, purchase a pair of centerpiece shoes, and make a donation. The day before the fashion show, you'll



don't want to miss this one and I pray that you can join me!

In Christ alone,

Diane Studer
Founder, Executive Director



Shoes speak volumes at the U.S. Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C.



Fashion Show Luncheon & Auction: November 11th, 2017!

receive an email inviting you to check yourself in and get your bidder number. If you or your guests have not included your email addresses with your reservation, make sure to do that ASAP because it will give you access to self-check in and bidding.

If you do not 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 help you place your bid. Bidder Assistants will have a balloon tied to their wrist, so they'll be easy to find!

Once you check in, you'll receive a confirmation with your bidder number and a link to start bidding! You'll be able to track all of your bids in one place. When you bid, you'll also have the opportunity to enter a 'max bid' amount. The software will continue to bid for you until you reach your max bid on that item. Also, if you've entered your phone number at check-in, you'll receive text alerts when you get out-bid!

We're so excited about this new feature and we look forward to seeing you all at the event!

Shipment to Botswana

Brother Tanga sends his greetings and sincere thanks for the shoes that he has received this year. His team is working hard to reach rural areas of the nation with shoes and the Gospel. At one point they travelled until their car could go no farther because of the condition of the dirt road. So they loaded everything on to a cart pulled by a donkey to reach their destination. Everyone who received shoes that day was overwhelmed with joy. One woman shared that today she felt rich simply because she now

Several tables & seats remain! Purchase yours today!

We are so grateful for each of our event sponsors and for the seats that are already filled! For those who don't have seats yet, there's still a table left for you! We invite you to secure yours today by using the green link above. 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. You don't want to miss this one!

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

Event Sponsorships: A big THANK YOU to all of our Gold, Silver & Bronze Sponsors for your support! We have one Bronze Table Sponsorship available for this year's event. If you're interested, please contact Diane Studer for more information at Dstuder@SolesForJesus.org.

Silent Auction: We are extremely grateful for each of you who have generously donated to our auction! We have an incredible line up of items and you will not be disappointed! We will also have a new process this year for mobile bidding which is detailed in the top right column of this newsletter. If you do not have a smart phone, don't worry! We'll have many volunteers ready to help you place your bid on their iPad.

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Hamilton Rugby Team, Sussex - Thank you to the Hamilton Girls Rugby team for your great shoe drive! Your generous hearts of giving will be appreciated beyond words by the many who will be touched in Africa!

has a proper pair of shoes to wear.

We praise God for the ministry that is going on in Botswana. It takes perseverance to reach the rural areas and we thank God for the partners He has given us, who do not shy away from the hard work it takes to reach everyone with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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



Children dancing & rejoicing for their new shoes.

Shipment to Liberia

Our partner, Sister Jonel Weeks, wrote to us recently saying, "The generous shipments and gifts you send to our nation have helped us demonstrate in a tangible way the love of Jesus Christ. We are forever grateful to SFJ for putting shoes on the feet of many less fortunate people." She went on to share that there are still many people in Liberia who need to hear about and experience the love of Jesus Christ, many of whom still practice ancient



Hamilton Rugby team with their shoes.

Roberta Pratt and Hamilton High School -

We're so grateful for Roberta Pratt and our many friends at Hamilton High School and the Sussex/Menomonee Falls community for coordinating a successful shoe drive with 860 pairs of shoes!



Thank you, Roberta Pratt & Stacy Kinowski, for delivering the HHS shoes!

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Franklin- We are truly blessed by St. Paul's Church and school They have brought several groups of volunteers to serve in our warehouse, collected lots of shoes and also donated funds through their missions giving! We can't thank you enough for your hands that serve and your hearts that give in abundance.

African religious rites. The EHC Liberia team has a passion to reach their entire nation. Please pray for them as they carry out the work of God in their nation.

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



Mothers and their children celebrating God's love.

Testimony From Lesotho

In Lesotho last month our partner, Josias, met Mathapelo Busaka who is a 16 year old orphan. Josias was able to share the Gospel with her and give her a pair of shoes. She told him, "It's from the bottom of my heart that I thank SFJ for giving me a pair of shoes and telling me about Jesus. These put a smile on my face because my guardians were not able to buy me shoes. They are only able to pay for my school uniform because work is hard to find in our part of Lesotho."

Thank you for blessing girls like Mathapelo through your generous contributions. She will never be the same again, now that she's encountered His love. Would you please keep her in prayer, as she's being disciplined by our partner missionaries? To God be the glory for each person who finds Him as Savior!



Thank you, St. Paul's Lutheran Church!

Northridge Church in WI- Check out this big shoe; laces and all! We love this creative idea from Amy Kauer for a shoe drive at Northridge Church. We must give this collection box an award for the most creative one we've seen. Thank you for all of these overflowing bags of shoes. Your donation will impact many lives in Africa!



What a creative shoe bin at Northridge Church. Nice job, friends!

Grace Church in Wooster, Ohio- Special thanks to PackShip USA for delivering the

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



These smiles tell it all. Pure joy!

Volunteer of the Month

We are thrilled to honor Chris Helwig as our October volunteer of the month! Chris heard about Soles For Jesus through his friend and SFJ leader, Nick Kaun.

Chris shares, "Soles For Jesus has moved me because of many reasons. One reason is that shoes donated from the U.S. are so impactful to children and adults in Africa. Seeing videos of the people's smiles and the thankfulness coming from such a distant place just because of shoes is amazing. Wow!"

Another thing that moved Chris is the opportunity to go on mission trips to Africa to wash feet, distribute shoes and the Gospel, and to experience life change.

Chris coordinates SOS events (to volunteer in our SFJ warehouse) for the adults and youth group from Hope Church. He says that those two hours of serving together on a Saturday morning strengthen their group. He enjoys when the group gathers together at the end to pray over the shoes. "It is always impactful to ask God together in prayer for these shoes to be placed on many feet in Africa

shoes collected by Grace Church Wooster and their amazing community! We are thrilled to receive over 3,000 pairs, along with your generous donation to help send them to Africa! Your gift will touch multitudes for God's Kingdom and may God bless you all.



Grace Church and PackShip USA sending shoes to our warehouse.

Laurie Neff & First Presbyterian Church in MN - Our warmest thanks to Laurie and John Neff for coordinating collection sites in many schools, churches and businesses in the Albert Lea area. We also want to thank Pastor Steve Piper for driving the church van to deliver 900 pairs along with donated shipping boxes from Minnesota Corrugated Box! We love and appreciate you so very much, and we thank you all for making the trip to Milwaukee!

and for the Gospel to be planted in the souls of those who need Jesus."

When Chris is not at home with his wife and four children, he loves to travel, wear green and gold and share Jesus with those around him.

Thank you, Chris, for being a wonderful friend and supporter. We pray God's abundant blessings over you and your beautiful family!



Chris with his daughter, Bella.

Meet One of Our Partners

Meet our Every Home for Christ ministry partner, Joseph Gule. Joseph serves in Swaziland,



with his wife, Zama Nosipho and their three children: Vuyani Nkosingphile (8), Uyizwile Nkosinami (4), and Iminathi (2). Joseph's ministry goal for the year is to reach 112,000 homes with the Gospel.

He shares this testimony from a distribution, "One old man from the Tikhuba community was so excited



Laurie & John Neff, Pastor Steve Piper and Diane at the warehouse.

Roger & Carrie Igielske in WI- We want to honor Roger & Carrie Igielski for blessing so many lives in Africa by being a collection site and for donating their delicious chocolates for our Fashion Show Luncheon all of these years! This month they turned over their keys to the new owners at Allo! Chocolat and we bless them for their support and encouragement. We pray God's abundant blessings for their future, and we thank you, Roger & Carrie!

after receiving the gift of shoes. When asked to say something about the gift, he said that it was his first pair of shoes that he ever had and he was very excited and thankful. This time of sharing and joy opened up a wide door and many people received the Gospel of salvation because they could feel God's love."

Joseph specifically asks for prayer for these things:

- For our field workers.
- For all our office staff.
- For our volunteers both on the field and in the office.
- For God's provision to build a house for his family. (They currently live in a rented house which takes most of their monthly support and causes financial strain.)

Thank you for the Silent Auction Donations Received This Month!

- 3M
- Advanced Wildlife Control Inc.
- Bluemel's Garden & Landscape Center
- Betty Brinn
- Care-a-lotta
- Carol Adam
- Carol Becwar
- Carrie Wagie
- Chris Woerishofer
- ComedySportz
- Country Springs Hotel
- Cousins Subs
- Creation Museum
- Florentine Opera Company
- Germantown Anytime Fitness
- Global Sporting Safaris Inc.
- Ian's Pizza
- Interart Industries



Roger & Carrie at Allo! Chocolat in Waukesha.



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 to sign-up for a time to come and volunteer.

- Jennifer Miller
- Jessica Broberg
- Julie Behling
- Karla Pappalardo
- Kelly Erkkila
- Kendra Chiolis
- Kris Monteen
- Kristen Adam
- Mahnke Enterprise
- Margaret Tackes
- Marie Tandy
- Marquette University Spirit Shop
- Mary Kay Products
- Milwaukee Brewers
- MJ Woodall
- Monika Wiese
- Natalie Jupp
- Nick Kaun
- Northwestern Publishing House
- Novak Family
- Paper Dolls
- Patrice Procopio
- Picaboo
- Planner Chick Designs
- Price Transport, Inc
- Russ Darrow Group
- Screaming Tuna Sushi & Asian Bistro
- Seaglass Fine Art Photography
- Sharon Lynn Wilson Center for the Arts
- Sherry Mahnke
- Skydive Milwaukee
- South Street Soapworks
- St. Camillus Printing & Graphics
- Susan Jansen
- Sussex Inn
- The Range Richfield
- Uptown Art
- Western Digital
- Wicked Archery
- Wynne and Kent Loehrke
- Yenh Mikolajewski
- Yeshua's Elegance

Thank You for the Shoes Received this Month!

November

Saturday, November 4th, 9-11am **FULL**
Saturday, November 10th, 5-7pm
Thursday, November 16th, 6-8pm
Saturday, November 18th, 9-11am **FULL**
Tuesday, November 21st, 12:30-2:30pm **FULL**
Thursday, November 30th, 9-11am
Thursday, November 30th, 6:30-8pm **FULL**

December

Saturday, December 2nd, 9-11am
Wednesday, December 6th, 6-8pm **FULL**
Thursday, December 7th 10:30am-Noon
Saturday, December 9th, 9-11am
Saturday, December 16th, 9-11am

***You can choose your own date to serve!**
To learn more about this, read below.

"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 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 or 414-365-1392 to set up your volunteer group.

- Andrew Lemmenes, WI
- Anytime Fitness Germantown, WI
- Christ Alone Church, WI
- Cindy Kuehn, WI
- Colour Tube, WI
- Consider the Lilies, WI
- Crosspoint Community Church, WI
- Crossway Church, WI
- Darlene Roskawski, WI
- Grace Church, Wooster OH
- Hamilton Girls Rugby Team, WI
- Jaimie Carlson, WI
- Jen Hanson and friends, WI
- Kids to Kids, OH
- Lifeline Church, WI
- Marge Tackes, WI
- Neat Repeats, WI
- New Song Ministries, WI
- Nick Kaun, WI
- Northridge Church, WI
- Palisades Lutheran Church, CA
- Princeton Club, WI
- Roberta Pratt and friends, WI
- St. Dominic Catholic School, WI
- St. John's Lutheran Mayville, WI
- St. John's Lutheran, WI
- St. Marcus Church, WI
- St. Martin Lutheran Church & School, WI
- St. Paul's Lutheran Church, WI
- Tasha Sims, WI
- Wisconsin Athletic Club-North Shore
- Wisconsin Athletic Club-Wauwatosa
- Jeff & Yvonne Quint, WI