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Dear Friend,

A friend just reached out to me with a realization she had while she was praying for us. She shared that SFJ has an amazing model for ministry, especially during these times. We don't rely on people traveling from the U.S. to Africa to get the message of Jesus out, and to share His love and shoes. And it just hit me again how wise and effective the Lord's plans are when we follow His lead. SFJ's ministry model is completely His plan! Even in the midst of this global pandemic when many things are being shut down, we have not stopped doing what He's called us to do. We are still sending shoes and God's Word, and our ministry partners are faithfully bringing them to people in great need. Now, there may be some more challenges and check points with shipping and traveling these days. But the Lord is making a way and the testimonies of the harvest continue to

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FIRST Shipment to Republic of Congo

Exciting news at Soles For Jesus! We can now add the name of one more African nation that we have reached with the Gospel: the Republic of Congo! This is the 27th African nation that we are reaching because of your support.

This is a joint shipment with our friends from World Missionary Press. Our partner in Congo, Brice, shared with us, *"We are so excited to receive these*

make it worth it!

Rev. Sunday Avla in Benin just shared, "I thank God for His grace upon our lives during this period of COVID-19. Soles For Jesus has helped us to share the Gospel in certain communities that we weren't able to before. Our country is known as a voodoo worshipping nation and it's very difficult to share the Gospel in those places. But we used shoes as a means to introduce the Gospel! The north side of our country is highly dominated by Muslim communities and the shoes also opened doors to share the Gospel there. I want to thank you for the great help you are providing for the African nations in our EHC Zone: Benin, Sao-Tome, Cape Verde and Cote d'Ivoire. I humbly request another shipment of shoes for Benin because the one we received is finished and this is such an effective way to share the Gospel! God bless you all."

To God be the glory and may the Lord bless you abundantly for being a part of this Kingdom work.

In Christ alone,

Diane Studer
Founder/Executive Director
Soles For Jesus, Inc.

shoes and Gospel booklets. These are a tremendous help to our team in reaching people with the Gospel. We send our deepest thanks to everyone who has contributed to make this ministry possible."

Please join us in prayer for the safe arrival of this shipment and for many to be added to the Kingdom as they find Jesus as their Savior.

View more pictures [HERE](#).



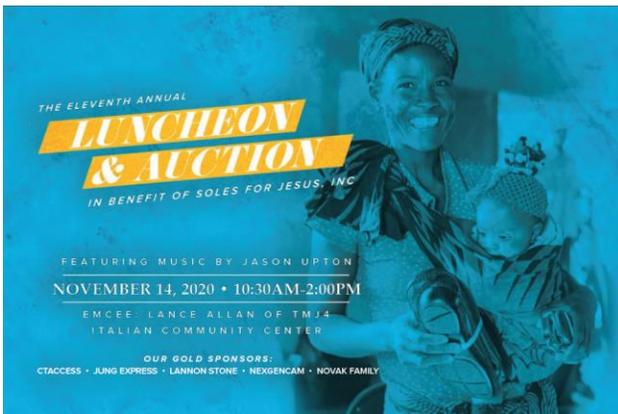
Shoes and Gospel books ready for the journey!

Exciting Testimony From Benin

There are great things happening for the Kingdom of God in Benin! Our ministry



Rev. Avla testifies that the Lord is moving in Benin!



11th Annual Luncheon & Auction! November 14th, 2020

Please Mark Your Calendar!

On **Thursday, August 20th** at **9am** tables and seats will go **LIVE** to be purchased online or by phone. Due to a partial seating capacity, 350 seats are available for now. Once these are sold we will activate a waiting list, as the

partners went to serve orphans in the village of Sedje, and there was great joy in receiving shoes and hearing the Gospel.

As the team prepared to leave, the family of a woman named Elise asked the team if they would come and pray for her. She was very ill and they were glad to have the opportunity to pray with her in Jesus' name. Shortly after they arrived home they were informed that Elise was healed! Praise the Lord!! We rejoice in seeing the Lord do amazing things in people's lives to show His great love for them in Benin and throughout Africa.

View more photos [HERE](#).



Celebrating God's provision in Sedje!

Testimony From Ghana

Recently the nation of Ghana has opened up for gatherings of up to 100

ballroom capacity may increase over time.

We are thrilled to announce that Jason Upton is joining us as our special musical guest! This will be an incredible time of worship that you don't want to miss. Lance Allan from TMJ4 will also join us as our emcee and we can't wait to see you there! For more event details, click [HERE](#).

Event Sponsorships: Special thanks to our wonderful 2020 Gold Sponsors: CTaccess, Jung Express, Lannon Stone, NexGenCAM and Novak Family. You can help sponsor this event too! Silver and Bronze Sponsorships are now available and you can find more details at link above. As an event sponsor, your name or business will be recognized through printed material, social media, company signage and honored at our event. You'll also receive one table with seating for ten guests. If you're interested please contact Diane at DStuder@SolesForJesus.org.

Auction Items: We are extremely grateful for those who donate items to our silent auction! Fun packages like weekend get-aways and vacations, gift baskets, sports tickets and suites are all great items for guests to bid on. We also appreciate creative ideas for services, items or 'experiences' (i.e.: boat tours or gourmet dinners) as donations. Your business and item will be listed in our event program and we will acknowledge your tax-deductible donation after the event for tax purposes. Please contact Kris at

people, which has allowed our ministry partner and his team to start distributing shoes and sharing the Gospel. The first distribution was met with great excitement by all. Ebow shares that everyone who gathered was deeply touched by the Gospel and the gift of shoes. The ministry team is hoping to be able to reach even more remote locations as restrictions are lifted across the nation. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to draw people to salvation in Christ and for the health and safety of everyone in Ghana.

View more pictures [HERE](#).



First shoe distribution of many in Ghana!

Testimony From Liberia

KMonteen@SolesForJesus.org if you are able to donate. Thank you in advance for your generous support!



Guests enjoying the Silent Auction.

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

No Limits Running Club, Milwaukee

- We are cheering on this group for organizing a 24-hour marathon and collectively running 750 miles! We are out of breath just thinking about that. And if that wasn't enough, they also collected shoes and the funds to ship them! Special thanks to Coach Dave for coordinating this event and delivery. We appreciate you all for running alongside us to make a BIG difference in many lives throughout Africa!



During the past month, our ministry partner in Liberia organized shoe distributions at several orphanages in various locations across the nation. Jonel writes that these orphanages are mainly self-funded and have many needs, with shoes being one of the greatest. Their ministry team was warmly received at each location and one orphanage Director shared, "It had to be the power of the Holy Spirit to tell you that we needed help. These items reached us just in time. God has used you to provide for our orphans and we are extremely grateful."

Please continue to pray for the ministry team in Liberia as they keep sharing the Gospel and bringing eternal hope to those in great need.

View more pictures [HERE.](#)



Children celebrating God's care for them!

No Limits Running Club delivering shoes.

Leadertreks Youth Ministry - We are so impressed with two Leadertreks Groups who came to serve with students from Iowa and Minnesota. We want to especially thank this group from Lake Sarah Baptist Church for collecting shoes and packing them in a trailer to bring to Milwaukee. You truly came ready to serve and give your best and God bless you all!



Leadertreks Group from Lake Sarah Baptist in MN.

CTaccess, WI - We are so very grateful for businesses who partner alongside of us. Much thanks to CTaccess for bringing a group to serve in our warehouse! You accomplished so much and we could not do this work alone. Many lives in Africa will be transformed for eternity because of your kindness. God bless you all!

Meet One Of Our Partners



Meet our Every Home for Christ (EHC) ministry partner Douglas Mudimba, who is the East Africa Director. Douglas met Jesus in 1995, when he was invited by a friend to a Sunday church service. During the service, Douglas felt like the preacher was speaking directly to him and dealt with a number of issues he was struggling with in his life. At the end of service, the preacher gave an opportunity for those who wanted to commit their lives to Jesus Christ. Douglas responded to that alter call, prayed the sinners' prayer and enrolled in a new believers class.

Douglas' ministry goals are to appoint God-fearing ministry directors in St. Helena, the Comoros Island, Sudan, Madagascar and Angola, and to ensure the presence of a functional ministry board oversight in all of the nations that fall under his region. His favorite Bible verse that encourages



Thank you, CAccess, for partnering with us!

Grace Lutheran Church, WI - Thank you to everyone at Grace Lutheran Church in downtown Milwaukee for the many bags of shoes that you donated! We're so grateful that your church opened your doors to collect shoes for us. These will touch many lives in Africa and we thank you!



Thank you, Grace Lutheran Church!

Volunteer Opportunities

SOS Events (Sort & Organize Shoes)

Join us as SOS Events are OPEN! With new safety measures in place you and your friends can volunteer at our Milwaukee, WI warehouse to

him in ministry is Psalm 2:8, "Ask of Me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for your possession."

Douglas asks us to pray for the following:

- Douglas, his wife Vongai, and their children Advent, Praise, Rejoice and Timothy. That Douglas may continue to be a good husband and father, that all of their children may grow in the knowledge and fear of God, for the protection of God upon the entire family and for the children to excel in their studies.
- For coverage over the ministry and that God will help Douglas be an empathetic leader to those he is called to serve.
- For the Oikos vision of reaching every person with the Gospel to be realized in the entire Africa East Region

Volunteer Of The Month

We are thrilled to honor

prepare shoes for shipment to Africa!
New volunteers are always welcome, but you must sign-up! We will have a brief orientation before each event. Please contact Yenh at (414)365-1392 or Yenh@SolesForJesus.org to reserve your spot(s) and to sign-up for a date and time.

August

Saturday, August 1st, 9-11am
Saturday, August 8th, 9-11am
Tuesday, August 11th, 6-8pm **FULL**
Saturday, August 15th, 9-11am
Tuesday, August 18th, 6-8pm
Saturday, August 22nd, 9-11am
Saturday, August 29th, 9-11am

September

Thursday, September 10th, 9-11am
Saturday, September 12th, 9-11am
Saturday, September 19th, 9-11am
Tuesday, September 22nd, 6-8pm
Thursday, September 24th, 9-11am
Saturday, September 26th, 9-11am



Two groups from Ellenbecker Investment Group!

“Business Hours” SOS:

Volunteers can also come during weekdays to pack 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 and

Andrea Bergman as our Volunteer of the Month! Andrea first learned about SFJ when she was a guest at a SFJ Fashion Show Luncheon. She was deeply impacted by what God is doing through Soles For Jesus and decided to become involved. Andrea started by collecting and donating shoes and volunteering with her kids at SOS events. She also became part of the Annual Fashion Show Luncheon as she modeled the runway in several fashion shows, and she has recently become one of our SOS Leaders.

“I love this ministry and the prayerfulness of all the leaders and selfless service of all the volunteers. God moves mountains, or rather huge shipments, because of the love of these people to share the Gospel and meet the physical and spiritual needs of people around the world. This ministry has caused me to pause and pray. To really pray for God to move hearts closer to Him through shoes. I have seen and heard amazing works of God through Soles’ simple acts of collecting shoes, sorting shoes and prayer,” Andrea shared.

Andrea has great advice for

please feel free to bring friends! Training will be provided and SFJ staff will always be available to provide support. For more details, please contact Mark at Mellefson@SolesForJesus.org or (414)365-1392.

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. Please contact Yenh@SolesForJesus.org or (414)365-1392 to set up your volunteer group.

getting involved with SFJ. *"Volunteer and do whatever small task you can. Donate, collect, sort, or pray. It is through all of these acts that God accomplishes His purpose and blesses Soles For Jesus!"*

Andrea loves to craft and enjoys scrapbooking, making cards and sewing. She's sewn lots of masks over the past few months! Thank you, Andrea, for your heart for SFJ and for serving God's people. We are thankful for you and appreciate you so much. May God continue to bless your family!



Andrea delivering masks that she made.

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