Soles For Jesus Newsletter

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"...Whatever you did for the least of these, you did for me."

Dear Friend,

As 2021 is quickly coming to a close, I want to give honor to the One who has faithfully guided us through another year. This has been a historic year for Soles For Jesus and the Lord has led us to new territory both here and in sent Africa. We first-time shipments to 2 new nations Mali) (Niger and and He moved us into a new building that is a tremendous blessing to us each day!

I'm looking forward with hope to a new year filled with potential, but we also know there is uncertainty. We just experienced another year full of challenges and changes and we can't help but wonder what 2022 will bring.

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Happy New Year!

We want to take a moment to



wish you a blessed and Happy New Year. We pray God's best for you and your family in 2022 and we are excited about all that He has in store! "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13 What is your source of Hope as you start the new year? The same Hope that we share with each pair of shoes, is also our anchor! Our Hope is rooted in Jesus Christ, and He will continue to be faithful to lead and guide us.

Thank you for helping share this Hope both here and in Africa. Each time that I testimonies from our ministry partners, I see much fruit as these shoes are door openers in sharing the love of Jesus. As I reflect on 2021, I see how many lives have also been touched across America as groups volunteer in our warehouse, host shoe drives and other creative events across our nation.

I am excited to share our, "2021 Year In Review Video". Please take a few minutes to see what the Lord has done and I sincerely thank each person who has linked arms with us this year. We could not do this work without the help of many and I pray God's abundant blessings over you this year!



Soles For Jesus has an exciting opportunity to add Operations Manager to team! The successful candidate will be a Christ-follower who believes in the core values of Soles For Jesus, and is driven its mission and their bv personal commitment to the Lord. This full-time is а position (M-F, 8am-5pm) and the job description has been posted to LinkedIn and can also be found HERE.

Please reach out to Diane Studer at DStuder@SolesForJesus.org if you are interested.

Our Top 9 for 2021!

We are so thankful for all that the Lord has done in 2021, and for each life that was touched this year. Here are some of our favorite pictures

In Christ alone,

Diane Studer Founder, Executive Director



Click on image to PLAY the video!

Year-End Giving: There's Still Time!



Thank you to each person who has already given a gift season! We this are SO grateful for your generosity and this is an exciting time to be a part of what the Lord is doing. To read more about the direction that He us in 2022, click leading HERE.

To ensure 2021 eligibility for

from the year!



Testimony From Benin

Our partners in Benin continue to reach out to schools and rural communities. They have been seeing God do wonderful people's things in lives. However, they do ask Soles For Jesus supporters to pray breakthrough for spiritual among the people who practice Islam, Voodoo, and other local religions. While great things are happening, they are so aware that only the power of God bring spiritual can breakthrough and salvation in people's lives. Please take a moment to pray for the ongoing work in this nation. View more photos **HERE**.

your donation, please remember:

- Donations made by Credit or Debit Card must be completed before midnight tomorrow.
- Donate online at <u>SolesForJesus.org</u> by 12/31.
- Mailed checks must be postmarked by tomorrow. You can also drop off your donation at our office until 12:00pm tomorrow.

Thank you and God bless you!

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

St. John Vianney, Brookfield - Yenh enjoyed sharing the mission of SFJ with these middle school students. We are so thankful they collected over 415 pairs of shoes this month that will bless hundreds in Africa!



New shoes in rural Burundi.

Shipment To Cabo Verde

Another shipment of 8,000 pairs of shoes is on its way to Africa. We are filled with thanks to God and to each person who has donated shoes, helped pack and send them. We could not do it without your faithful support. wonderful partner, Our Emanuel, is very excited to receive these shoes. He is sharing how giving always physical gifts opens so many hearts to hearing about the spiritual gift of salvation in name. View Jesus' more photos HERE.



Yenh sharing the mission with students.



Praise God for another shipment!

WI - We are so thankful for Faso businesses like OAW for including us in their Christmas season by collecting shoes for Many Africa. kids and adults in Africa will be so blessed by these great shoes!



Orthopedic Associates of Update From Burkina

Pastor Lompo, our partner in this nation, has been working with the local churches denominations several to organize shoe distributions for living difficult those in circumstances. Durina one distribution, someone from the ministry team remembered a man who lived a few villages away, but he knew that a pair of shoes would be a great blessing to him. So, the team went to his home and invited him to come and hear their message. The man was overwhelmed by this message and act of love for him. He continually thanked the team and God for his shoes. View more photos HERE.

Thank you, families of OAW!

Aurora Summit Shoe Drive

- We honor all of the nurses frontline healthcare and professionals who serve and care for others every day. Thank you, Tammy, for organizing this effort and everyone at for Aurora Summit who gave! It is an honor to receive your shoes and God bless you all.



Tammy delivering the shoes.

KM Sports - We just love new brand athletic these donated KM cleats from Sports! We are grateful for the ministries we sports partner with in Africa who are excited to share salvation in Jesus with these special gifts. We look forward to joy these will bring to many kids when they receive them.



Loving neighbors as we love ourselves.

Testimony From Burundi

Pastor Evariste, our partner in Burundi, sent us an update about a shoe distribution in the community of Muzye, which is located in the center of this small African nation. It was a of celebration day everyone. This is a very rural the and poor area and residents were thrilled thanking God for bringing such unexpected blessings to them. The people were very attentive to the Gospel presentation and the ministry team is continuing follow with people up regarding following Jesus as their Savior. View more photos HERE.

God bless you, KM Sports!



New athletic cleats from KM Sports.

Ripley Family, Kansas We're thrilled about these shoes that are on their way to warehouse our from our wonderful State-Rep in Kansas. We can't thank the Ripley family enough for the impact these will make for thousands of people in the New Year. A very special thanks to South Rock Christian Church and everyone who had a part in storing, packing, donating funds and praying over the 2,000 pairs of shoes!



A grateful young man in Muzye.

Meet One of Our Partners

Meet our Every Home for Christ (EHC) ministry partner in Lesotho, Josias Mohanoe. Josias was led to the Lord through a friend who invited him to church. During the service, Josias gave his life to Jesus and two years later God called him into ministry.

"We continue to give thanks to our heavenly Father, who through His abundant mercy keeps drawing lost people into the light of His kingdom. Over the past few months we have been experiencing the joy of receiving new believers from



U-pack delivery from Kansas!

Volunteer Opportunities SOS Events (Sort & Organize Shoes)

Join us by volunteering at a 2-hour SOS Event! You and your friends can help Sort and Organize Shoes at our Milwaukee warehouse to help prepare shoes for shipment to Africa.

New volunteers are always welcome but you must signup! 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.

January 2022

the villages we previously visited. Communities were blessed with pairs of shoes from Soles For Jesus, and we praise God for this love you've shown to us!" Josias shared.

Josias' ministry goals this year include reaching 24,000 people with the Gospel and planting three new churches. There are several Bible that verses encourage his Josias in ministry, which include Matthew 9:36-37, Romans 10:15, 2 Corinthians 5:17 and Acts 5:42.

Josias asks us to pray for the following:

- Health, favor and protection for Josias, his wife and their children: Marry, Tlolo, Itumeleng, Timothy and Tiisetso
- For God's wisdom and anointing over the ministry and for protection over the EHC team out in the field
- That people will be touched by God when they receive a pair of shoes and hear the Good News and that their

Saturday, January 8th, 9-11am Tuesday, January 11th, 6-8pm Saturday, January 15th, 9-11am Thursday, January 20th, 9-11am Saturday, January 22nd, 9-11am Saturday, January 29th, 9-11am

February 2022

Thursday, February 3rd, 9-11:30am

Saturday, February 5th, 9-11am Saturday, February 12th, 9-11am Thursday, February 17th, 6-8pm Saturday, February 19th, 9-11am Saturday, February 26th, 9-11am



Thank you Journey Church for serving!

"Business Hours" SOS: Volunteers can also come during weekdays to pack (Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm). shoes 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 please feel free bring to friends! Training will be provided and SFJ staff will be

- lives will be transformed
- Financial provision for the children's education

Does Your Employer Participate in Matched Giving?



There are many companies that participate in Matched Giving for their employees and you can find out if yours is one of them! Check if your employer will match your giving by clicking HERE.

We're so Thankful for You!

This month we want to honor all of you as our Volunteers of the Month and say, "Thank You" for everything you do for Soles For Jesus! There is so much that goes into this

available to provide support. For more information, 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, community? church, or Volunteering together organize and pack shoes for Africa is a rewarding, 2-hour, team building opportunity for youth and adults. Please contact

Yenh@SolesForJesus.org or by calling (414)365-1392 to set up your group.

mission; from shoe drives to deliveries, SOS events, monetary donations, auction donations, our annual luncheon, silent auction and so much more.

With your help, we are able to send shoes to the most needy in Africa. But more importantly, we're able to share the Gospel and see souls saved! God has blessed Soles For Jesus so much this year, and we pray His blessings over you for being such an important part of this mission.

Many in Africa are grateful for you!

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