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

Dear Friend,

**There are places in** Africa where poverty is so low that parents are not even able to buy only one pair of shoes for their children. I was reminded of this when I just read a new report from our ministry partner in Guinea. He shared, *"These shoes are a weapon for us as we reach an 85% Muslim population with the love of Jesus. Due to the persecution and confinement, we cannot share or publish photos but great things are happening! We meet in secret Bible study sessions because of the violent persecution, and blind eyes are opening to the Truth! It is not easy to win souls when you evangelize empty-handed but with these shoes doors open*

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**Start Bidding 3 Days Early on November 10th!**



\*ANYONE can bid online, if you register ahead of time.

Online bidding will open 3 days before our 12th Annual Luncheon & Auction! Whether you are attending in person or bidding from home, you can register [HERE](#).

*up and we are allowed to preach the Gospel to groups that were difficult and closed! Thank you for bringing a new wind of the Gospel to our nation."*

As I read his words, this verse came to mind: *"Let us not love merely with words or speech but with actions and truth,"* I John 3:18. We must do both; and it's powerful when we do both! Sharing the truth of God's word, while meeting a real need is life-changing because Jesus changes everything! It's the love of Jesus and His kindness that leads us to repentance, and I feel so blessed to be a part of what He is doing in Guinea. Pastor says these shoes are a, *"weapon"* that are ushering in, *"a new wind of the Gospel"*—to God be the glory!

If you have not purchased your table or seats yet for our Luncheon, please do it now! You don't want to miss this one and I promise that you will leave encouraged. Thank you for being a blessing and may the Lord meet you in a special way today. When we

On Wednesday, November 10th, each person who submitted their name and email address, will receive a personal email to gain access to online bidding! There will be a photo of each item online, so you can see it prior to bidding. **Please note that each attending guest should also provide an email address by Nov. 9th**, which they can use for early bidding and also access on the day of the event. (Gift certificates can be mailed but larger items and baskets must be picked up at SFJ.)

If you don't have a smartphone, don't worry! We will have plenty of bidding assistants available again with tablets, and they will be happy to help you place as many bids as you'd like.

**If you are out of state or unable to attend you can also bid online at home! Register Now!**

To register for online access, click [HERE](#), choose 'Offsite Bidder' under the ticket options and go through the registration process. You'll also have access

seek Him, we find Him and I pray that you feel encouraged today.

Sincerely in Christ,

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



*Shoes are a weapon in sharing the Gospel in Guinea.*

## Annual Luncheon & Silent Auction: The Event is 13 Days Away!



SOLES FOR JESUS

### LUNCHEON & AUCTION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021  
10:30AM-2PM | ITALIAN COMMUNITY CENTER

FEATURING MUSIC BY BRENT TAYLOR  
EVENT EMCEE: LANCE ALLAN OF TMJ4

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Lannon Stone | NexGenCAM | Novak Family

to the auction site three days early, as well as during the event!

**Important Note:** SFJ will only mail out gift cards or gift certificates that are won by Offsite Bidders. SFJ will not ship any other baskets or auction items. Auction winners must pick up their items at the SFJ office, or make arrangements for someone else to pick them up by 11/19/21. Thank you for your support of SFJ!

We look forward to having you join us and a list of auction donors from this month is included at the end of this newsletter. May God bless each of our generous donors!

## Testimony From Liberia

Our faithful partner, Jonel, shared a testimony with us of a young single mother with two children who recently turned up at a shoe distribution. She was desperate for any help she could find. When she heard that the shoes were being distributed for free she was very excited. In addition to receiving

We are so grateful for each event sponsor and for the seats that are already filled! For those who don't have seats yet, we still have some left for you! We invite you to secure yours today by using the link below, or by phone at 414-365-1392.

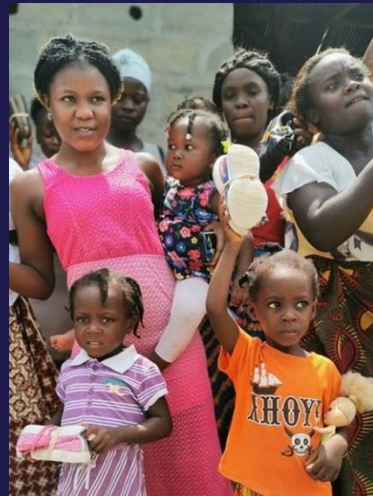
**Buy Now**

If you aren't able to attend in person, you can still join us online! We will be **LIVE-STREAMING** the event, so you can watch from home! Click [HERE](#) to RSVP for the live stream!



**Event Sponsorships:** THANK YOU to each of our Event Sponsors for your support! We especially want to honor and appreciate our Gold Sponsors: CTaccess, Jung

shoes the ministry team shared the Gospel with her and she is now faithfully attending a church in her area. Jonel shares that this woman is still so excited about her new life in Christ and all of the love she receives from her people in her church. View more photos [HERE](#).



*Rejoicing in God's love for their village.*

## Shipment Arrival in Benin

We praise God for the safe arrival of another shipment of shoes! Our partner in Benin is thrilled to report that everything went smoothly and that he now has the shoes safely stored in

Express, Jim Lemmenes-Edward Jones Investments, Lannon Stone, NexGenCAM and The Novak Family. God bless you all!

**Silent Auction:** We are also 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 are excited for you to see them and you can start bidding on Wednesday, November 10th.

## Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

**Cornerstone Assembly Of God, Athelstane-** We are so grateful for the invite to share at this church. A special thanks to our representative, Cynthia for sharing the heart of our mission to give shoes and spread the Gospel throughout Africa! Thank you for the financial gifts to help send shoes, your support will touch many!

the Every Home for Christ Warehouse. He is already busy making plans for the distribution of these shoes and is asking all of us to pray for this process. He specifically asks prayers for many to come to Christ and for safe travel as the ministry team reaches out to many rural communities in their nation. View more photos [HERE](#).



*Unloading is a team effort.*

## Testimony from Sao Tome

Jose, our partner in Sao Tome, shared that because of the shoe distributions they have been organizing, many local pastors have been inviting his ministry team to come and share the Word of God in their communities, even if shoes are not available for distribution. He



*Cynthia at Cornerstone  
Assembly Of God*

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Franklin** - We are overwhelmed with gratitude for this great delivery of shoes from St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Franklin! What an amazing church and school, their passion to live out the mission of Christ is demonstrated clearly by their joy to serve. Thank you for the 800 shoes that will be life-changing for many in Africa!

shares that often pastors will not allow outsiders into their villages. However, these pastors have seen that Jose and his team have only the love of others in mind. Thankfully, the team has been able to provide shoes to the villages that have invited them and many have come to salvation in Jesus. It is amazing to see believers working together to share the Gospel. View more photos [HERE](#).



*God's love is bringing joy to so many kids.*



*St. Paul's Lutheran Church*

## Testimony From D.R. Congo

In the D.R. Congo, our partner, Sagesse, shared with us that a local pastor who heard of the shoe distributions that were on going traveled there to ask for shoes for two children in his village. He said that they were barely able to afford school fess

*Thank you St. Paul's  
Lutheran Church!*

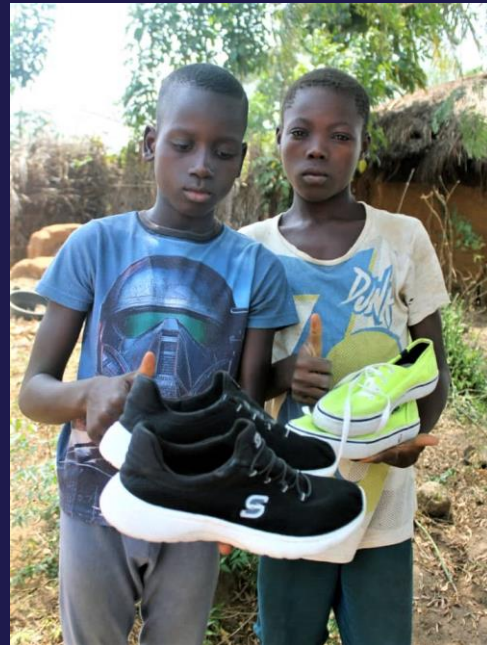
**Family Of Christ Church,  
Clintonville** - It was our privilege to have Pastor Steve and Jeremiah come in for a tour of our warehouse. Thank you for doing another shoe drive and the financial gift that will make a difference in lives across Africa!



*Pastor Steve and Jeremiah  
delivering shoes.*

**PA State Reps, Don & Michelle Simon-** 3,206 pairs of shoes are on their way from Gibsonia! Since 2015 the Simons have felt God strongly call them to join our mission and they have sent 42,307 shoes from this great state. Thanks for all those in PA who

and he wanted to bless them each with a pair of shoes as a demonstration of God's love and care for them. How wonderful it is to hear stories of people willing to look out for their neighbors so they can share the love of God with others. Please pray for many more in this village to come to salvation in the name of Jesus Christ. View more photos [HERE](#).



*God is meeting needs in  
surprising ways.*

**Meet One of Our Partners**

have been a huge help in this process. Special thanks to John Cory for shipping these gifts of hope that will transform lives in Africa!



*PA shoes are on the way!*

**St. John's Lutheran Church, Wauwatosa-** We are so touched by these cards of love that came with the 500 shoes from St. John's Lutheran Church! Special thanks to Yvonne for coordinating and making all the deliveries. We are blessed by this church community and the many shoes that have come through over the years. They truly demonstrate the heart of Christ in loving others well!

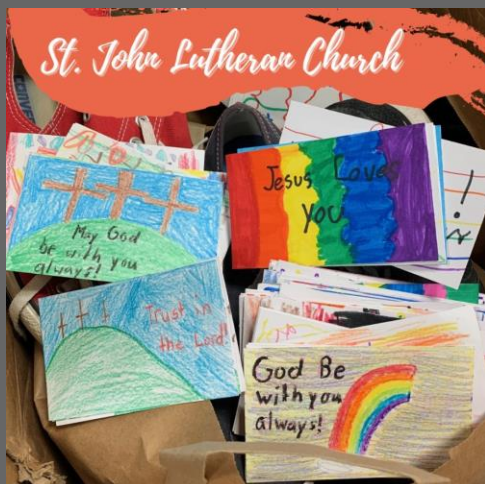
Meet our Every Home for Christ (EHC) ministry partner in Zanzibar, Yohana



Chibwiga. Yohana became a Christian at a young age and uses any opportunity he can to spread the Good News.

While in the military, Yohana shared the Gospel with his fellow soldiers, and they began to go door-to-door on their off-hours to evangelize. Many people were saved and Yohana and his troop planted four churches in the area. After 10 years in the military, God called Yohana to resign and become a pastor.

Yohana's ministry goals are to complete construction of a church this year and to fulfill the EHC Oikos strategy to reach every home. The Bible verse that encourages Yohana in his ministry is Matthew 19:27, *Then answered Peter and said unto Him, behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee, what shall we have therefore?* This verse means a lot to him because it makes him think



*Sweet cards from the kids at St. John's!*

## **Volunteers of the Month**

We are thrilled to honor Dean and Sandy Gunderson as our October Volunteers of the Month! Dean and Sandy have been supporters of SFJ since the very beginning, as their daughter, Jennifer, was on the mission trip to Ethiopia where God called Diane to start SFJ.

*"Seeing the enthusiasm Jennifer had to help these people affected me in a big way and I wanted to be involved in any way I could. I introduced Soles For Jesus to our church congregation and had a*

about when God called him to leave the military and become a pastor.

Yohana asks us to pray for the following:

- Health, favor and protection for Yohana, his wife, Hidaya, and their children, Praise, Esther, Angel and Comfort
- That many souls come to Jesus in Zanzibar and become disciples of Jesus
- For the church to be multiplied
- Financial provision for the children to attend school
- Financial provision to complete construction of their church

## **Thank You for the Silent Auction Donations Received this Month!**

- 1Collision County Line
- Advanced Wildlife Control
- Adventure Rock
- Amy Olsen
- Ann Ds Boutique
- Answers in Genesis
- April Schultz

*couple of shoe drives and was amazed at the outpouring of love I saw with the donation of hundreds of pairs of shoes!" Sandy shared.*

Since then, Dean and Sandy have set up their church as a collection site and they pick up, sort and deliver those shoes to SFJ faithfully. They also volunteer with mailings and SOS events and have generously been a Silver Sponsor of our annual luncheon for several years.

*Sandy loves attending the annual luncheon, as she shared, "Even when Jennifer came home from Africa and told me about the people there, I never truly understood until I saw the videos at the luncheon. The smiles on these adults and children holding a pair of shoes always brings tears to my eyes. Something so small that we take for granted every day."*

Thank you, Dean and Sandy, for being such a blessing to SFJ from the very beginning! We love you and appreciate you so much! God bless you!

- Arbor Opportunities
- Art & Lany VanZanten
- Awakening Healing and Yoga
- Bank of Flowers
- Beautistry the Salon
- Bill Smith
- Birchwood Wells
- Bonness Body and Face MediSpa
- Brad & Laura Best
- Brooke Bogenschneider
- Camisha Klumb
- Carity Land Corp
- Carla Perrero
- Chuck's Main Street Auto
- Clover and Crete
- Cori Lawrence
- Debbie Raab
- Discovery World
- Divine Consign
- Dwayne & Barb Butler
- Earl & Kaylee Ziebell
- Elkhart Lake's Road America
- Ellen Hardaker
- Emma Kulinski
- Evensong Baby Books
- Great Clips
- Grimaldi's Pizzeria
- Hannah Fross
- Heather Kenney
- Helsan Development Co LLC
- Ironwood Golf Course
- JAM Beautique
- Jeanne Rhodes



*Thank you, Dean and Sandy!*

## **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 sign-up! We will have a brief orientation before each event.

- Jessica Miller
- Karla Pappalardo
- Kat Fronek
- Kate Nelson
- Kathy Holtzen
- Kathy Smith
- Kati Hatfield
- KCervantes Photography
- Kelly Erkkila
- Kendra Scott
- Kim Unger
- LaserGraphic Custom Engraving & Design
- Linda Schulteis
- Linda Brackmann
- Linda Zywicki
- Lisa Riley
- Lora Mirasola
- Lori Burback
- Lynda and Mark Thompson
- Mahnke Enterprise
- Manda Mosoiu
- Mark Miller
- Meinecke Ace Hardware
- Melissa Smith
- Michelle Middlestead
- Milwaukee County Zoo
- Minuteman Press
- MJ Woodall
- NexgenCAM
- Outpost Natural Foods
- Pam Orcekowski
- Patricia Behling

Please contact Yen at (414)365-1392 or [Yenh@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Yenh@SolesForJesus.org) to reserve your spot(s) and to sign-up for a date and time.

### November

Tuesday, November 2nd, 4-6pm **FULL**  
Thursday, November 4th, 9-11am  
Saturday, November 6th, 9-11am  
Thursday, November 18th, 6-8pm  
Saturday, November 20th, 9-11am  
Saturday, November 27th, 9-11am

### December

Friday, December 3rd, 6-8pm **FULL**  
Saturday, December 4th, 9-11am  
Thursday, December 9th, 9-11am  
Saturday, December 11th, 9-11am  
Thursday, December 16th, 6-8pm  
Saturday, December 18th, 9-11am



*Thank you for serving,  
Shepherds College!*

**"Business Hours" SOS:**  
Volunteers can also come during weekdays to pack shoes (Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm). Come and sort shoes when it

- Paul and Sandy Behling
- Penny Krist
- Plum Salon
- RCP Construction Inc.
- Red Brick Home Buyers LLC
- Robbin Barnes
- Rosanna Balistreri
- Sara Kelling
- Sara Lehmann-Wahlers
- Sarah and Steve Baratka
- Saz's Restaurant
- Sheila Andorfer
- Shoot the Moon Photography
- Songbird Hills Golf Course
- Steve Smith
- Susie Bruns
- Sussex Hamilton Boys Soccer Teams
- Sussex Hamilton Class of 2024
- Sussex Hamilton JV2 Boys Volleyball Team
- Sussex Hamilton Marching Band & Color Guard
- Terri Bartlett
- Thacker & Associates LLC.
- The Designed Space
- The Novak Family
- The Olsen & McConeghy Families
- The Rothman Family
- Tim and Laura Jansen
- Trader Joe's - Brookfield
- Trader Joe's - Glendale
- Tricia Verhoalen
- Vibe Bath & Body

fits your schedule. You can sort for an hour or a day; it's entirely up to you and please feel free to bring friends! Training will be provided and SFJ staff will be available to provide support. For more information, contact Mark at [Mellefson@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Mellefson@SolesForJesus.org) (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](mailto:Yenh@SolesForJesus.org) or 414-365-1392 to set up your group.

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