Soles For Jesus Newsletter

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

Dear Friend,

Special thanks to person who supporter and came to our Stroll for Soles last Saturday. Even Event though the forecast called for had we rain, tremendous day! As we were setting up that morning, the rain kept coming down and I suddenly remembered many Africa times in when our mission teams gathered to pray and ask for His help. The provided in miraculous Lord ways those trips, and on this was another great opportunity to partner with Him in faith.

My prayer on Saturday was simple, "Lord, you are so good and we'll absolutely praise you no matter the outcome— but because you are able, would you please stop the rain over

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Thank You to Our Sponsors!

We want to thank all of our Stroll For Soles Sponsors for their support! Thank you for helping to make our event a great success!

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this park until our event is over? Thank you for being our good Father and we will always you." Well, this praise is exactly what happened! The rained paused for several hours and many of you came out to have great time! spectacular thing is that no one knew this blessing was coming. People had a good reason to stay home since the forecast was solid rain— but they still got in their cars to come, even as the rain was coming down! We have the best supporters and the Lord smiled on us all. To God be the glory for a fantastic day and event.

Henry is a high school student who also touched my heart. He sent a gift to SFJ and his note said, "I just got my first job as referee and this is my offering from my first paycheck. I hope it can make a big difference!" Wow, I love Henry's heart to give from his very first check and I know the Lord will bless him abundantly. As we obey and respond in faith to what the Lord asks us to do, He will take care of us. That doesn't mean that things always go our way— but He will always take care of us and He will even surprise us at times! "And because of Hales Corners Lutheran Church NexGenCAM Thacker & Associates

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Thank you all for a great event!

Shipment to Eswatini

Our 7th shipment of shoes to Eswatini is on its way to Africa. We thank the Lord for who each person donated, helped pack and send these 8,000 pairs of shoes. We could not do this without your faithful support.

Abraham's faith, God counted him as righteous." Romans 4:22

In Christ alone,

Diane Studer Founder, Executive Director Soles For Jesus



Jumping for joy on a beautiful day at the Stroll!

Annual Luncheon & Auction Saturday, November 12th!

Event sales will go **LIVE** on August 18th at 9:00am, so please mark your calendar! We are extremely excited about our event this year and you can purchase your table on our website or by phone at 414-365-1392.

This will be a special event with an incredible speaker and musician that you don't want to

Please join our Board of Directors (below) in praying for Eswatini and our Ministry Partner, Pastor Joseph. May the Lord's wisdom and favor guide and protect his ministry team; and may all of their efforts be fruitful for the Kingdom.

View more photos **HERE**.



Our SFJ Board is praying for you too!

A Message From Burkina Faso

The chief, of the village of Bigtogo in Burkina Faso, would like to thank the people of SFJ sharing for not only the message of Jesus but also for demonstrating God's love. Many children and teenagers in this area were forbidden to attend the Christian church. But now because this of

miss! Tables are assigned in the order that they are purchased, so be sure to act fast and we can't wait for you to join us!

Event

Sponsorships: Sponsorships available now for are this vear's event. Invitations will be printed soon and we'd love to add your name to the cover as our Platinum (new this year!) or Gold Sponsor. As an event sponsor, your name or business will be recognized through printed social material. media, company signage and honored at our event. If you'd like to Sponsor, please contact Diane Studer for more information at Dstuder@SolesForJesus.org.

Auction items: We are grateful for those extremely who donate items to our silent auction! Fun packages like get-aways weekend 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 'experiences' (i.e.: boat tours gourmet dinners) as donations. Your business and item will be listed in our event program and we will

demonstration of Jesus' love, they are allowed to freely go and worship. Many more have been coming to church and have found salvation in Jesus!

View more photos **HERE**.



God is moving in Burkina Faso!

Shoe Distributions in Mali

Our partner, Elise, has been very busy sharing the love of Jesus with shoe distributions since January. He and his ministry team have visited several refugee centers Niamana and Senou and have been warmly greeted in each Approximately location. 10,000 people were shown the love of Jesus while they are difficult facing situations.

acknowledge your taxdeductible donation after the event for tax purposes. Please contact Kris for more info or to donate

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You're invited to join us November 12th!

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Oak Creek Assembly Of God

- A HUGE and heartfelt thanks to everyone at Oak Creek Assembly Of God for showing up in a big way with this incredible drive! 3,100 pairs of shoes were donated and we are excited to get them packed and shipped to thousands in Africa tremendously who will be kindness. blessed by your Special thanks to Aaron and Patricia for leading and organizing so well.

Following these distributions and the preaching of God's Word, chiefs from two refugee centers expressed their joy and thankfulness for the Hope they found in Jesus and for the Ministry Team that came to find them in their time of great need.

View more photos **HERE**.



God bless the people of Mali

A Testimony from Mali

We thank the Lord for this testimony from Kousse, in Mali.

"I thank God for these gifts of shoes and salvation in Jesus! I am very happy to know Jesus and for the shoes I was given for my wife and children. From my youth until now, I have never received such a pair of quality shoes and God is my witness. I was very worried



Thank you, Oak Creek A/G!

Sussex Hamilton Girls Soccer - Thank you to the Girls Soccer Team for hosting a shoe drive! These ladies are making a big difference in lives throughout Africa and we appreciate every pair that was donated. Thank you for being champions on and off the field, and for serving others so well!



Hamilton Girls Soccer Team

FISH Homeschool Shoe Drive - We appreciate the
FISH Homeschool Group

about how my youngest son was going to get through the school year without shoes. A big thank you to SFJ and their partners for this unexpected blessing. I pray that God will bless them indeed."

View more photos **HERE**.



God's love changes lives!

Volunteer of the Month!

We're thrilled to honor Carrie Taylor as our Volunteer of the Month for June! Carrie is one of our newest SOS leaders and regularly brings in volunteer groups from Heritage Christian School, where she just finished her 20th year of teaching! Carrie has known Diane since their kids were young and she has seen SFJ grow from the beginning.

for hosting another incredible shoe drive and for coming to serve in our warehouse. They packed nearly a thousand pairs, which will be a huge gift and blessing to those we are serving in Africa!



FISH Homeschool Group at a SOS

Calvary Church, Marinette -Thank you to everyone at Church Calvarv for the outpouring of shoes from your drive. We truly enjoyed a special visit from ladies these sweet who delivered this great load. We continue to bless and guide also love how the kids worked so hard to donate so many shoes that will touch lives in Africa!

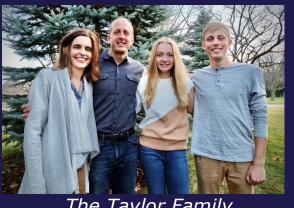
"I was blessed to watch her answer God's calling on her life personally and have prayed for Soles and supported since. With my youngest going to college in the fall, I have more time in my schedule to serve more regularly," she shared.

Carrie enjoys volunteering at SOS events and has this advice, "Bring some friends, serve, and go out to lunch after! Shoe drives are an easy way to tell others who aren't believers about the gospel and the power of meeting both a physical and spiritual need. It has created many great conversations about Christ."

Thank you, Carrie, for being fantastic leader and advocate for SFJ. We appreciate you and pray that your family enjoys a wonderful summer. May the Lord you all!



Thank you, Calvary Church!



The Taylor Family

St. James Rummage & Shoe **Drive** - We love rummages and we are grateful for those who donate shoes through these events. Special thanks to St. James Church for thinking of us, and your truck full of shoes will impact many lives in Africa!

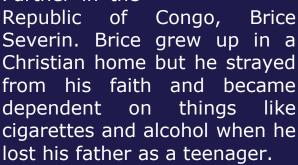


Thank you for the great shoes!

New Hope Church, Sacramento, CA - We want to thank this superhero, James, for driving on his own from New Hope Community Church

Meet One of Our **Partners**

Meet our Every Home for Christ (EHC) Ministry Partner in the



One day while he was in college, Brice heard a voice speak to his heart saying that he should dedicate his life to God's work. He resisted for months, until an evangelist reminded him that God was calling him and that he was resisting. Still, he continued to in Sacramento, CA to deliver 1500 pairs of shoes! We were overjoyed to meet James and give him a tour of our office and warehouse. We appreciate his servant heart to give to others. Thank you to New Hope Church for making a huge difference in sharing God's extravagant love with many in Africa!



James delivering from California!

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

resist until May 7, 2004, when he heard a testimony from a man of how God had changed all of his ambitions and he reached a point where agreed to go wherever God would take him. That testimony made Brice cry, as he admitted that he'd been resisting His voice, which had been so clearly speaking to him. Brice went to his knees and cried out to God, saying, "Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me that I did not want to surrender entirely to you. I open my heart to you, so that you can do with me what you want." From that moment, Brice's life radically changed and he began sharing what Christ has done in his life.

Brice and his team are working on a very exciting project called, "Child Winners of Souls," where they're training children to reach other children for the Kingdom.

Brice asks us to pray for the following:

- His wife, Justiana, and their sons Archangel Debrice & Cherub Bristanovie
- That God would empower Brice's team who are

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.

July

Wednesday, July 6th, 10-noon Saturday, July 9th, 9-11am Wednesday, July 13th, 10-noon Saturday, July 16th, 9-11am **FULL**

Monday, July 18th, 9:30-11:30am Saturday, July 23rd, 9-11am Tuesday, July 26th, 6-8pm Saturday, July 30th, 9-11am **FULL**

August

Thursday, August 4th, 9:30-11:30am
Saturday, August 6th, 9-11am
Saturday, August 13th, 9-11am
Saturday, August 20th, 9-11am
Friday, August 26th, 1:303:30pm **FULL**Saturday, August 27th, 9-11am

- working in the church
- For a local man who was Muslim and just received Jesus and was baptized. He is facing threats from his parents; please pray that God would protect and strengthen him and open the eyes of his family
- For the ability to reach each area prayerfully chosen with the Gospel

Support SFJ While Shopping

If you are an Amazon shopper, you can support Soles For Jesus by using AmazonSmile! Just go to AmazonSmile.com and choose Soles For Jesus. It's that easy and 0.5% of the purchase price (for eligible items) will be donated to SFJ!

This is available for all iPhone and Android users, which makes this even easier, and you can read more about this below!

Simply follow the instructions below to add AmazonSmile to your smartphone.



Thank you Grace Lutheran Ministries, Evangel A/G and CrossWay Church!

"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 please feel free to bring friends! Training will be provided and SFJ staff will be available to provide support.

SOS Group Event: Schedule a special date to host your own group! Are you a part of a sports team, small group, or work, school, club in your church, community? or Volunteering together to organize and pack shoes for Africa is a rewarding, 2-hour, team building opportunity for vouth and adults. Please contact

Yenh@SolesForJesus.org or by calling (414)365-1392 to sign-

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