Soles For Jesus Newsletter

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

Dear Friend,

I have exciting some news to share! Every Home for Christ is Contact Us an incredible ministry partner and we share a passion for bringing the love of Jesus to every person and home. Dr. Dick and Dee Eastman have faithfully led EHC for 34 years, and last weekend they passed their baton to new President Tanner and Peake. Bethany We were so blessed to be there in Denver, CO to honor and pray over them, along with delegates from over 90 nations. It was an amazing celebration and to God be the glory!

As I listened to the leaders of nations share many their appreciation for the Peakes, Eastmans and Τ different from us

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Annual Luncheon & Auction

*You Can Still Join Us!



(Click on image for more event info)

Thank you to all who have filled was reminded about what makes over 450 seats and it's not too late other to join us! On Saturday, November

organizations. EHC and SFJ are both rooted in a firm foundation of prayer. Strategy and wisdom are found on our knees— as we listen and perceive it! Isaiah 43:19 says that He is doing a new thing, and He asks us **if we perceive it.** Yes, Lord, we see it! He is our focus and we will continue to seek Him for what He is doing in the nations.

I want to sincerely thank each who sponsored person or purchased a table for our Annual Luncheon. I am so grateful for your support! We still have a few tables left, so it's not too late to today. We get yours are extremely excited about this event and I hope that you can join us. I just saw a sneak peak of one of our videos and my heart is bursting with all that He is doing in the nations right now. I'm so blessed to have a seat at the table and I invite you to join me!

In Christ alone,

Diane Studer Founder, Executive Director Soles For Jesus 12th recording artist, Hannah Kerr, will be performing live and Dr. Cleopas Chitapa will be our special keynote speaker. Purchase your table or seats today by clicking the button below, or by calling us at 414-365-1392. We can't wait to see you there!

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Early Access Bidding!

Did vou know online biddina days will start 3 early? On Wednesday, November **9th**, each person who has registered their email address will gain access to online bidding!



Dr. Dick & Dee Eastman pass the baton to EHC President Tanner & Bethany Peake.

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Shepherd Of The Hills, Pewaukee -

We thank John for sharing the SOTH Mission Moment at in Pewaukee. John has been to Kenya with our team and has served with his wife, Rebecca, as one of our SOS leaders for many years. They know the impact of shoes and the powerful way that touched throughout lives are Africa by God's love in action. Thank you all for helping to make Jesus known!

There will be a photo of each item, so you can see it prior to bidding. Please note that gift certificates can be mailed, but larger items and baskets must be picked up at SFJ.

If you or your table guests have not yet added an email address to your registration, please do so by **Nov. 8th!** Emails will be used by each guest for both early bidding and at the event, as well as to receive important updates.

Auction items are due bv October 21st. Thank you to each person who has already donated auction! to our We are still seeking some fun and unique items, experiences, and baskets. Your name or business will be listed in our auction booklet and we will acknowledge your taxafter deductible donation the event. Please check out our "Wish List" below for some great ideas and contact Nicole at NJenkins@SolesForJesus.org if you are able to donate or have questions. Thank you for your support!



John sharing the Mission Moment

Eagle's Nest Church, Menomonee Falls - Thank you, Eagle's Nest Church, for collecting over 200 pairs of shoes that will touch hundreds of lives in Africa! We also loved the visit from these adorable little helpers who were so excited to do their part!



Thanks for your help Emily, Elsie & Molly!

Shoes from Pennsylvania - We are thrilled to see these four large containers filled with shoes arrive from Pennsylvania! Our heartfelt thanks to John, for



Shipment to Togo & Benin

We are thrilled to send this firsttime shipment to Togo and to combine it with a shipment for Benin in a 40 foot container! We are so grateful to our partner, Pastor Sunday, who is waiting to receive this double shipment of shoes. Sunday and his team have a strategic plan to reach villages by sharing God's word and shoes with His redeeming love through word and action. Join us in praying for this cargo as it goes by land and sea to reach thousands for Jesus!

View more photos <u>HERE</u>.

transporting them, and to our PA State Reps, Michelle and Don, for their collaboration to serve God and love others so well. There will be great rejoicing when these shoes are received in Africa!



We appreciate our friends in PA!

St. John's Lutheran Church -We appreciate Jeff & Yvonne for collecting and delivering shoes from St. John's in Wauwatosa. They are holding their annual shoe drive through the beginning of October. We are so grateful for this kingdom connection and for their faithful support over the past several years!



May God bless Togo & Benin!

Testimony from Eswatini

God is moving in Eswatini and they are seeing the harvest! Last month, several pastors and church leaders joined together for an outreach lasting one entire month in remote villages. The shoes by SFJ were highly provided effective in opening doors for them. Along with sharing the gift shoes, 6,054 people were of reached with the Gospel! Since then the local churches have more people attending than ever before, discipling and they are new believers with curriculum called. "Be Fruitful and Multiply". Please pray that this move of God will continue and that many people across Eswatini will put their faith in Jesus as their Savior.



Yvonne & Jeff with shoes from St. John's

Jaskowiak Chiropractic, Menomonee Falls - What an incredible team from Jaskowiak Chiropractic. We appreciate businesses that care about their local and global community and desire to give back in a HUGE way. They arrived to volunteer for two hours in our warehouse with bags of shoes and will continue to collect through December. Check them out and bring a pair of shoes along to donate!

View more photos <u>HERE.</u>



God is moving in Eswatini!

Prayers for Mali

Please keep Madou and Ibrahim, from the village of Neguela, in your prayers. These boys were very happy that Christians came to their village so they could have a chance to hear the true Gospel. They were also each given a pair of shoes and shared that they've never owned such quality shoes before! The boys were so excited to tell their friends about Jesus and to show them their new shoes. Please pray for all who received salvation on this day and they'll continue to that be transformed by the power of God.

View more photos <u>HERE</u>.



Jaskowiak Chiropractic



Thank you for serving & collecting shoes



God's love changes lives!

Elm Grove Lutheran Church -

Thank you to these sisters who delivered shoes from the first round of their Fall Rally. This shoe drive is in partnership with other local Lutheran churches and it extends through October. They were so excited to deliver these beautiful shoes and we are so grateful to all who gave!



Thank you Elm Grove Lutheran

Volunteers of the Month!

Children of Sao Tome

Our partners in Sao Tome recently spent three days in the Me-Zochi district, ministering to the needy. The people of this district live in extreme poverty and times have been tough even for the farmers. With the shoes provided by SFJ the ministry team was also able to share God's love and shoes with many people, including the Carlos Quaresma Football School which helps abandoned orphaned or children. Please pray for these children and for all who have been ministered to over these three days. We praise the Lord for the harvest of souls!

View more photos HERE.

Please join us in celebrating the Simon Family as our Volunteers of the Month! Don & Michelle serve Pennsylvania as our State Representatives, which has become our 2nd most active state for shoe donations! They first learned of Soles For Jesus in 2014 when their youngest son, Cadon, began preschool at Memorial Park Church. The church and school hosts a shoe drive each year, and after gathering up their extra home, shoes at the Simons thought there must be others in their community who also had an abundance of shoes. Thev decided to reach out to a few area businesses to ask if they would serve as SFJ collection sites.

The Simons, along with a group of faithful friends, have worked sorting, together for years packing, and loading shoes for transport to Wisconsin. Michelle says, "Shoe drives are such an easy way for families, businesses, and even kids to get involved!" It has been a joy to see how the Simon Family has expanded their support for neighbors in need. Through their work with SFJ, another outreach was born in their home state that provides free prom dresses to girls who otherwise may not be able to afford attending their high school



bless the children of Sao Tome!

Meet One of Our Partners



Meet our Every Home for Christ ministry partner in Eswatini, Vusie Joseph Gule. He recalls receiving an invitation to a church revival service in 1991, and upon hearing the message of Salvation Joseph decided to give his life to Jesus. Since that day, his excitement for Jesus has continued to grow. Despite many crises plaguing his prom. A special event takes place each spring, and this year nearly 1,000 girls were able to receive prom gowns! Blessings to the Simon family for your big hearts to serve and share God's love!



Don & Michelle Simon and Family

Thank You, September Auction Donors!

- Breadsmith
- Costco Pewaukee
- David & Julie Behling
- De Marinis Pizza
- Donna Winchell
- Doug & Joan Stanich
- Great Clips
- Hosanna Revival
- Jessica Held
- Kayla Loos
- Linda Emmer
- Marquette University
- North Cape Lutheran Church
- ROC Foundation
- Schlitz Audubon Nature Center
- SFJ Event Team

country, Joseph says he stands firm in the promises of God for his ministry work and places his trust in the wisdom of Hebrews 11 regarding, "faith in action". His team is in the process of training 100 new ambassadors with a goal each ambassador leading ten of souls to salvation in Christ by the end of this year! Joseph recently did a shoe distribution in the remote village of Mfishane. He shared the beautiful story of a woman who had not owned a pair of shoes prior to their team's visit. At the end of the day, through tears, the woman testified about the love of Jesus Christ she had witnessed said and she was overwhelmed that the pastors would wash her feet and give her shoes in such a display of God's love.

Joseph asks us to pray for the following:

- God's provision as he works to finish building a home for his family. He desires to make the space safe for his wife and their daughters, and hopes to pursue sustainability for food and resources through vegetable farming.
- For Joseph and his team as they are preparing to plant churches in unreached communities.

- Songbird Hills Golf Club
- Steve & Sue Klinger
- Summerfest
- Tami Orlando
- Ted & Sue Jansen
- Tim & Laura Jansen
- The Studer Family
- Village Bowl Menomonee Falls
- Wayne & Karla Pappalardo
- Wicked Archery
- Zierath Restaurant Group

Volunteer Opportunities

SOS Events (Sort & Organize Shoes)

Join us by volunteering at a 2hour 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. Please contact Yenh at (414)365-1392 or Yenh@SolesForJesus.org to reserve your spot(s) and to signup for a date.

October

Saturday, October 1st, 9-11am Saturday, October 8th, 9-11am Tuesday, October 11th, 6-8pm Prayers for peace in the nation amidst threat of civil war due to reported oppression, joblessness, hunger, and economic inflation.

We pray God's blessing over Joseph's family and his team of pastors, as they continue their passionate work for salvation in Jesus. Joseph reports, "We are witnessing a great wave of Revival regardless of the crisis!"

Where in the World is Eswatini?



The kingdom of Eswatini was formerly known as Swaziland until it was renamed in 2018. Eswatini is a small inland country, surrounded mostly by South Africa, as well as Mozambique to Saturday, October 15th, 9-11am Thursday, October 20th, 9-11am Saturday, October 22nd, 9-11am Saturday, October 29th, 9-11am

November

Thursday, November 3rd, 6-8pm Saturday, November 5th, 9-11am Thursday, November 10th, 9-11am Saturday, November 19th, 9-11am



Thank you Spring Creek Church and Northshore Congregational for serving!

"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.

the northeast. The government of Eswatini is led by King Mswati III and is the only remaining absolute African monarchy the on continent. Employment opportunities largely are agricultural and manufacturingbased, and their main economic resource is the cultivation of Unfortunately, sugarcane. HIV/AIDS has heavily impacted Eswatini, as 27% of people ages 15-49 are living HIV-positive (the highest prevalence of all countries worldwide). It is estimated that nearly 70% of orphans in the country lost their parents to AIDS. Currently, children under 15 up 35% make of the total population and this loss of the "middle generation" has had significant effects on the economy and infrastructure of this nation. Please keep the beautiful people of Eswatini in your prayers, along our faithful ministry with partners. Even in the midst of great challenges, the Lord is moving and we can see it!

Your Donation Impacts Lives

Donate Online Now

Or by Mail:

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 by

calling (414)365-1392 to sign-up.

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