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

### Dear Friend,

Each time that we send a shipment to a new country, it is so exciting! I have been praying for Togo for years and have been eagerly awaiting testimonies from our first shipment. Pastor Avla and his team have been doing an amazing job of praying and going wherever the Lord sends them. One of the regions where they shared shoes and God's love is called Tsevie. After ministering in several villages for two weeks, their last visit was to an unusual place: a plastic recycling compound.

When Pastor asked if he could share good news from God's Word and give them each a gift (of shoes), they all stopped their work to listen. He shared,

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### Stroll For Soles on June 24th

**\*REGISTRATION IS OPEN!\***



Registration is now OPEN for our Stroll For Soles on **Saturday, June 24th** @ 11am. This is a fun summer event for families and friends, and you don't want to miss it!

*"It was like they were waiting for us! It was amazing to see how hungry these people were to know Jesus. The majority gave their lives to Christ and we immediately introduced them to a local church in the area. We thank God for His grace and for the shoes that helped open this door!"*

To God be the glory for each life that is made new! It's exciting to be part of what He is doing, and there are many ways to get involved. I'm thrilled to share a **new way for everyone** to participate in our Stroll For Soles this summer! Now you can also walk or stroll in your own neighborhood and state — and invite friends and family to join you. Read more about our "Stroll Across America" and how you can join us from your state OR in-person. Will you help us light up our map by adding your state? I can't wait and I hope you can join us!

Sincerely in Christ,

Diane Studer  
Founder/Executive Director  
Soles For Jesus

Food Trucks, t-shirts, parking pass, fun activities and games are all INCLUDED with your registration, for no extra charge! Choose a 1 or 2 mile scenic route at Fox River Park in Waukesha; you can walk, roll, jog or push a stroller. Lunch and games will be waiting for you once you cross the finish line. Click the button below to register yourself, family or team!

**REGISTER HERE**

**NEW this year!** You can also join us from your neighborhood and state to participate in our "Stroll Across America Challenge!" Choose our discounted Off-Site Registration (just to cover shirts & shipping) and we'd love to have many of you stroll with us on June 24th, or a date that works best for you. Now **everyone** can join us; in-person or from your own state!



*Sharing God's love & shoes in Togo!*

## Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

**Spring Creek Church Shoe Drive-** We are thrilled to announce that Spring Creek Church just set a new record by collecting over 7,000 pairs of shoes! Thank you to each person, family and business who gave, and also to Upward Basketball for donating funds from your concessions to help send the shoes. On behalf of each life in Africa that will be touched by God's love, we sincerely thank you!

## STROLL ACROSS AMERICA



\*Please help us light up your state!

### Sponsorship Opportunities:

Gold, Silver, and Bronze level sponsorships are available. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about this great opportunity to support the mission of Soles For Jesus! We appreciate each business and individual who will help make this event possible. Please contact Grant for more information at [GNiemann@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:GNiemann@SolesForJesus.org)

## First Shipment to Cameroon

Our 1st shipment to Cameroon is on the way! Our team is thrilled and can't wait to hear the powerful testimonies of how people will respond as they receive shoes and hear the Gospel message. We are so grateful to our





*Amazing new record from SCC!*

### **Portview Assembly Of God-**

We are so blessed by the love and support from Portview A/G! At the conclusion of their shoe drive, they laid hands and prayed over all of the shoes and for each person who will receive them. Special thanks to Liz for organizing this drive and to her wonderful church family for sharing our passion to see Africa transformed by the love of Jesus!

Ministry Director, Pastor Laurent, who is waiting to receive this shipment of shoes. Laurent and his team are preparing to reach villages with God's redeeming love through word and action. Join us in praying for this shipment as it goes by land and sea to reach thousands for Jesus!

View more photos [HERE](#).



*Sent with love & prayers to Cameroon!*

### **Testimony From Benin**

Our Ministry Director in Benin, Pastor Sunday, recently visited a blind camp to share the message of hope in Jesus and to distribute shoes. This testimony is from a resident named Linda who like many living in the camp felt

Thank  
You!



*Thank you friends at Portview A/G!*

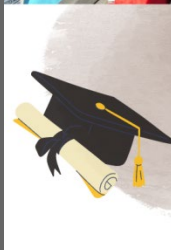
### **Random Lake High School-**

We are grateful for Random Lake High School and their school-wide collection of 500 pairs of shoes! We appreciate Mrs. Donahue for organizing and delivering them all. Lives in Africa will hear the Gospel message and will receive hope through your kindness!



**RANDOM LAKE  
HIGH SCHOOL**

**500  
Shoes!**



*Thank you Random Lake High*

abandoned and lost hope. She shared that through the distribution of shoes she experienced God's love for the first time and accepted Jesus as her Savior. The time spent in the camp brought great joy not only for the residents but for Pastor Sunday's team as well. Please pray for each one and that they may continue to pursue God's love and grow in their new faith.

*"I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you."*

– Ephesians 1:18

View more photos [HERE](#).



*Finding salvation in Jesus!*

*School!*

### Grace Lutheran Ministries-

Thank you for inviting Diane to share in your Sunday morning services. We are grateful for this church and school for collecting shoes year-round for so many years, and for the many groups that come to serve in our warehouse. God bless you all for continuing to touch so many lives in Africa!



*Diane sharing at Grace Lutheran Church.*

### Top Ladies of Distinction -

Special thanks to Nesha and the Top Ladies of Distinction for collecting these beautiful shoes to send to Africa. We are grateful for this full collection bin that will touch many lives!

## Answered Liberia

## Prayer in

This testimony comes from Jerry in Gweye, Liberia; a town of approximately 1,000 people struggling with poverty and hardship. Shoes are considered a luxury for people living in Gweye.

With God's perfect timing our Ministry Director, Sister Jonel, arrived with the gift of shoes at the **exact moment** when Jerry's 4 children were being sent home from school because they did not have shoes. Jerry knew that these shoes were an answer to his prayers. May God bless this family along with the people of Gweye, and may they continue to put their trust in Jesus.

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding."*

– Proverbs 3:5

View more photos [HERE](#).





*Thank you, Nesha & friends!*

## **New SFJ State Representative!**



We are thrilled to welcome our newest Soles For Jesus State Rep, Cinda Bartz from Illinois! Cinda first discovered Soles For Jesus while doing a search online. After meeting Diane, she wanted to share the mission with her local church congregation and they have now had a collection bin in their lobby for about 10 years! Cinda's involvement with SFJ has continued to grow and we are so grateful that she has answered the call to become a State Representative!



*God answered prayers just in time!*

## **Sharing Jesus in DRC**

We are very encouraged to hear reports of salvations from our Ministry Director, Pastor Sagesse, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. He and his team have recently been ministering to refugees living at the Buhene refugee camp near the city of Goma. A number of faithful volunteers joined Sagesse in sharing the Word of God to over 1,100 people. Many salvations and testimonies were recorded of lives being changed. Even in the midst of severe challenges from being displaced by war, Jesus is being found through the ministry taking place at shoe distributions. To God be the glory!

*"Go into all the world and*

Thank you, Cinda, for sharing your heart of service with this ministry. You are a blessing to Soles For Jesus and we pray for God's abundant blessing over you as well.

Click [HERE](#) to view our complete list of State Reps across the US. If you are interested in representing your state by being a voice for SFJ, please contact Kristen at [Kadam@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Kadam@SolesForJesus.org) for more information!

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

*preach the Gospel."* – Mark 16:15

View more photos [HERE](#).



*Sharing Jesus at a refugee camp.*

## **Meet One of Our Ministry Directors**



Meet our Every Home for Christ Ministry Director in Uganda, Doreen Kabasomi. Doreen and her husband have four children, ages 5-17. Her ministry in Uganda is currently focused on mobilizing local resources through partnerships, so that they can expand their reach to



## April

Saturday, April 1st, 9-11am

Thursday, April 13th, 9-11am

Friday, April 14th, 12-1pm

Saturday, April 15th, 9-11am

Tuesday, April 18th, 6-8pm

Saturday, April 22nd, 9-11am

Saturday, April 29th, 9-11am

## May

Saturday, May 6th, 9-11am

Tuesday, May 9th, 6-8pm

Saturday, May 20th, 9-11am

Tuesday, May 23rd, 6-8pm

Wednesday, May 24th, 9-11am

Thursday, May 25th, 1-3pm

Saturday, May 27th, 9-11am



*Thank you Grace Lutheran Ministries!*

## "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

the most marginalized and forgotten people groups. Doreen shares that the most pressing issue in her country at this time is hunger and famine. She asks for this to be lifted up in prayer. She places her faith in the Lord, according to scripture in 1 Thessalonians 5:24 which states, *"The One who called you is completely dependable. If He said it, He will do it."*

Doreen also asks us to pray for:

- Doreen and her family are grieving the sudden loss of her father who passed away unexpectedly in July during a hospital procedure. Please pray especially for Doreen's mother, Mande Sara Mugimba.
- The staff and families at EHC Uganda who have recently gone through a series of attacks, accidents, and illnesses.
- Relocation of the EHC Uganda offices to a larger space that can accommodate the needs of the growing ministry.

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

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## **Where in the World is Uganda?**



Uganda is an inland country in East Africa with a population of over 45 million people. It is bordered partially by Lake Victoria, one of the largest freshwater lakes in the world. Several other major lakes in the country are collectively known as the African Great Lakes. Fertile soil benefits agricultural industries in Uganda, including coffee and cotton production. Three-quarters of the people living Uganda reside in rural areas and rely on subsistence farming to meet their needs. Like many other African countries, the population is largely young people and about 50% are under age 15. Primary school is available to

most children ages 6-12, though secondary education is far more limited based on social and financial factors. Thank you for joining us in prayer for the beautiful people of Uganda and for the wonderful work the Lord is doing in this nation!

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