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

#### Dear Friend,

I just returned from Africa with a fueled passion for what He's called us to do. Our Botswana mission team was able to share Jesus and pray with so many people who will never be the again! Huae crowds same gathered at each village to see and hear why we traveled so far to their remote village. There are many testimonies that I can't wait to share with you in a video that's being made. Life change in Jesus never gets old; and many walked for people hours receive a free pair of shoes and left with the greatest gift of all— eternal life in Jesus! Words can't express what it was like to be on African soil again and to be ministering villages. in faith comes alive when I get to share His love in word and action. It's such a privilege!

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# Celebrating 100 SHIPMENTS at our Stroll on June 24th!



**Register now** to join us at our Stroll for Soles Event, where we'll also celebrate our 100th SHIPMENT to Africa! Cake will be served

On Sunday I asked Pastor Tanga to prayerfully choose a remote village church for us to minister and I've at, never before experienced what happened on that day. I can't wait to share this testimony with you at our luncheon in November, as we first-hand the tremendous saw kingdom impact. Even during the last 3 years when we could not travel to Africa, we continued to send a shipment of shoes every month. The lasting fruit from this season is incredible and I'm in awe of all that the Lord is doing to build His kingdom through the ministry happening at shoe distributions.

A few days ago we sent our firsttime shipment to Angola and manv opportunities to share Jesus continue to open before us. I am deeply humbled to see the Lord's hand over every part of this ministry. Only God can do what we are experiencing and we are deeply committed to following His lead with each step. We could not continue this work without your faithful prayers and support —and I sincerely thank you!

In Christ alone,

along with food trucks and fun activities. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with you on Saturday, June 24th at Fox River Park in Waukesha.

Time is running out, so REGISTER TODAY! Click the button below or call us at (414)365-1392. \*Your registration also includes t-shirt(s), food trucks, parking, bounce house, games, fun activities and a scenic 1 or 2 mile stroll.

#### REGISTER HERE



Click to watch 2022 Highlight Video!

## "Stroll Across America Challenge!"

Out-of-state friends, don't forget to sign up for this

#### Diane

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### Founder/Executive Director Soles For Jesus





More photos from Botswana <u>HERE</u>

# great opportunity to "stroll" from **home**! For only \$10, you will receive a Stroll For Soles t-shirt and you can join us in spirit across the US! Check out the map below to see how many states have registered so far and help us light up your state by registering today.



Please help spread the word!

#### Help Us Reach Our Goal!



You are invited to be a part of what God is doing to bring shoes and the Gospel to communities that are hard to reach. Would you prayerfully

# First Shipment to Angola

We are thrilled to send our shipment first-time to Angola! **Our Ministry** Director, Pastor Emanuel, is this waiting to receive special shipment so his team share shoes and demonstrate God's love through redeeming word and action. Please join us praying for in this

consider helping us reach our goal of \$50,000 by June 16th? You can read more about this in a special letter HERE.

## Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Marquette University, WI-Thank you, Marquette University Athletic Department, for hosting a shoe drive during your last two weeks of classes! We are grateful for each pair that will help impact lives in Africa and we wish you all a great summer. precious cargo as it goes by land and sea to reach thousands for Jesus!

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



With love & prayers to **Angola**!



Thank you, Marquette University!

United Protestant Church, IL-Thank you, UPC in Grayslake, Illinois for inviting Diane to share during your Sunday morning

# Mozambique & Cameroon Receive Shipments

We praise the Lord that our Ministry Directors, Pastor Godfrey in Mozambique and Pastor Laurent in Cameroon, have received our shipments of shoes! They are excited to begin evangelizing and they're so encouraged share the Gospel with shoes. Please pray alongside us for their ministry teams that hearts and lives will be awakened by Jesus across these nations!

service this month. We appreciate your support and look forward to having you join us at our Stroll in June. Special thanks to Cinda for serving as our state rep and for all that you do!



Cinda & Diane at UPC in Illinois.

New Collection Site, WI- We are excited to announce that we have a new collection site at Mercantile & Bean in Genesee. Now you can drop off your shoes and stay for coffee and a delicious treat! Thank you for your partnership and may God bless your business abundantly.

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





Blessings to Mozambique and Cameroon!

## New Beginnings in Benin

We thank God for our Ministry Director, **Pastor** Avla, Sunday and the wonderful work that he with is doing is team in Benin. Α recent shoe distribution in the village of Gbegoudo helped bring life change to the people living there when many received salvation in Jesus. The leaders were so moved by



New Shoe Collection Site in Genesee.

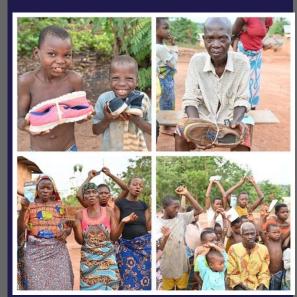
Tonawanda Service Club, WI-We enjoyed having this great group of volunteers serve in our warehouse and they also collected 500 pairs of shoes from their community. Their kindness is changing lives locally and in Africa!



the Gospel message and now they are starting a new church in this village. We pray God's blessings over them and that this church will continue to grow.

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12

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



Finding new life in Jesus!

#### **Testimony From Niger**

Our Ministry Director in Niger, Brother Ali, recently visited the village of Niamey to distribute 3,000 pairs of shoes. Many of the adults

#### Thank you, Tonawanda Service Club!

#### Volunteer of the Month!

We are pleased to recognize SFJ Board Member, Jason Held, as our May Volunteer of the Month! Jason has served on our Board of Directors since the ministry began in 2010 and we are so thankful for his ongoing leadership and support. When Jason first heard the mission of Soles For Jesus upon inception, he shares "I was most moved by how shoes opening doors of opportunity for people in Africa to hear the Gospel message".

This simple physical gift has the View more photos HERE. potential to have an eternal of the spiritual impact! One things Jason loves most about SFJ is how easy it is to get involved no matter where you are located. "If you are hosting a shoe drive in your hometown, the team will help you get going with all the materials and ideas to make it successful. And if you are in the Milwaukee area, taking a few hours to serve is great experience." Jason and his wife, Becky, have three beautiful children and both serve on staff at Journey Church in Kenosha,

children they and met here work and walk to without school and often injure themselves leading to harmful bacterial and fungal infections. By sharing shoes and the Gospel together the mistrust giving way to an of Jesus. acceptance We praise God that many gave their lives to the Lord and received after prayer experiencing God's love through the distribution of shoes and the Gospel.

"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32



Agreeing together in prayer!

Wisconsin, where he is the Executive Pastor of Administration. May the Lord bless you and your family, as you continue to serve Him faithfully!



Jason & Becky Held Gavin, Levi, & Avery

#### Summer Intern Opportunity!



We have an exciting opportunity for a summer intern to join us for a few hours per week at our office. Please take a look at the description above and if you are interested, please email us at

# Testimony from Uganda

Our Ministry Director Uganda, Sister Doreen, was recently in the village of Karkawa where the need for shoes and the Gospel people great. Many also struggle with addictions and there are vast needs here spiritually both and physically. Pastor Agaba, the village pastor, also ministering without shoes! He was praying along with his congregation that they could raise money to buy shoes. It was an answer their prayers many of when Doreen arrived with shoes for all! Please pray for Pastor Agaba and the people of Karkawa as they continue to follow Jesus.

"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

View more photos HERE.

#### Info@SolesForJesus.org.

#### 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.

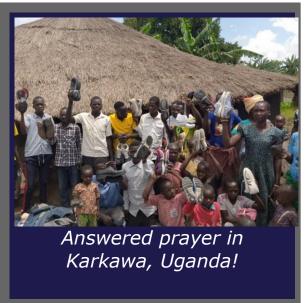
New volunteers are always welcome but you must sign-up! We will have a brief orientation before each event. Please contact Yenh at (414)365-1392 or Yenh@SolesForJesus.org to sign-up for a date and to reserve your spot(s).

#### June

Saturday, June 3rd, 9-11am **FULL**Saturday, June 10th, 9-11am **FULL**Monday, June 12th, 1:30-3:30pm
Tuesday, June 13th, 6-8pm
Wednesday, June 14th, 9-11am
Saturday, June 17th, 9-11am
Wednesday, June 21st, 1:30-3:30pm

#### July

Wednesday, July 5th, 9-11am *FULL*Saturday, July 8th, 9-11am
Saturday, July 15th, 9-11am
Tuesday, July 18th, 1:30-3:30pm
Saturday, July 22nd, 9-11am
Monday, July 24th, 9-11am
Monday, July 24th, 1:30-3:30pm *FULL*Wednesday, July 26th, 9-11am



# Meet One of Our Ministry Directors

Meet our Every Home For Christ



Ministry Director in Angola, Brother Emanuel Daniel. This year, Emanuel and his team launched a new initiative called Evangelizing the Origins. The purpose of this ministry is to specifically reach the remote villages in the interior of Angola where resources are scarce and the people lack basic needs. Just a few weeks ago, Brother Emanuel visited a girls' orphanage and provided sandals to the children, many of whom were afflicted

Thursday, July 27th, 10-noon Saturday, July 29th, 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 you and please feel free to brina friends! Training will be provided and SFJ staff will be available to provide support.

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.

with wounds and infections on their feet due to a lack of shoes. The staff were so impacted by witnessing this gift of shoes that they now allow the team to return to lead discipleship classes with the girls of the orphanage. Emanuel shares, "When we show the love of God through giving, huge doors open for the Gospel to be preached!"

Let us join Brother Emanuel in prayer for the following:

- That the Lord will continue to strengthen Emanuel and direct his steps to offer sound leadership to his team and the ministry with which he has been entrusted
- For full establishment of the church planted this year in the remote village of Mundundo. The village chief has given his life to Christ after hearing God's Word and receiving the gift of shoes. He has provided land to build a church community!
- For the safety and protection of Emanuel,

Please contact Yenh@SolesForJesus.org or by calling (414)365-1392 to signup.

# Your Donation Impacts Lives

#### Or By Mail:

Soles For Jesus 8835 W. Heather Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53224 (414) 365-1392 his wife, Jacqueline, and their three children. We pray especially for the healing of their son, Joel (age 2), who is undergoing surgery this month.

# Where in the World is Angola?



This month, we were blessed to send a shipment of shoes to Angola for the first time! Situated on the Atlantic coastline in southern Africa, the nation of Angola is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest country in Africa and is home to nearly 35 million people. Until its independence in 1975, Angola was a Portuguese colony for over 300 years remains the second largest Portuguese-speaking

country in the world, behind The nation's Brazil. infrastructure still is recovering from a lengthy civil war which took place from 1975-2002. A large reserve of oil and desirable minerals has brought much economic growth to Angola, though the wealth of such industries disproportionately favors а Many people stakeholders. living in the inland rural communities continue to depend subsistence on agriculture for their survival and livelihood, the security of which has been severely impacted by recent years of drought. We pray God's blessing over our brothers and sisters across the nation of Angola!

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