Soles For Jesus Newsletter

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

Dear Friend,

I am thrilled to share that our 100th shipment of shoes just arrived in Liberia! Sister Jonel Weeks and her

team are ready

to share His love in word and this 40 action with foot container filled with shoes, Bibles and gospel literature from World Missionary Press. Their ministry team will share these gifts in places that have great spiritual and physical needs, and we can't wait to see lives changed by God's love.

He makes all things NEW! That's what Jesus does with our hearts and lives— and many times shoes help open the door. People often ask, is

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Tables and individual tickets for the event are **LIVE** and selling fast! 350 seats have already been filled and we thank each sponsor and supporter. Click the button

everyone you serve barefoot? 'no' answer is and sometimes their shoes are old and worn, like these photos from our last trip. Can you imagine walking for miles to school each day or working on your feet all day— in shoes like these? Each pair that we photographed below, was worn to work or school on that day. Even worse, can you imagine facing eternity without assurance of salvation in Jesus?

Thank you for helping us share new life in Jesus with each who receives new person God the shoes. To be glory! "Therefore if anyone is in Christ the new creation has come. The old has gone, the here!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

I hope that you will join us in November for our Luncheon & Silent Auction. It's going to be an incredible event and I'd love for you to be there. If you haven't already done so, I invite you to secure your table and seats today! Thank you for linking arms with us for His Kingdom and God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

below or call 414-365-1392 to make your purchase today. We are excited to enjoy music by Blessing Annatoria, hear from EHC President, Tanner Peake, and to welcome back Lance Allan as our emcee. See you on November 11th at the Brookfield Conference Center!



EVENT SPONSORS:

Sponsorships are still available for this year's event. As an Event Sponsor, your name or business will be recognized through printed material, social media, company signage and at our event. If you'd like Sponsor, to be a contact Diane for more info at DStuder@SolesForJesus.org.

Thank **AUCTION:** vou for supporting the success of our event donatina bv goods and services be included in our Silent Auction! appreciate We every family, individual, and business who contributes. Your business and item will be listed in our event program and we acknowledge will also vour tax-deductible donation after

Diane

Founder/Executive Director Soles For Jesus

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Photos of shoes worn in Botswana.

Celebrating Summer!

As many of us enter the, "Back to School" season, we thank God for blessinas the of summer and the opportunity to spend time with family and friends. We also want to thank all who joined us for our annual "Stroll summer event, For Soles" and a special shout out to each person who joined us from vour state! We appreciate the and support photos from 15 states who strolled with (included

the event. If you are looking for donation inspiration, check out this month's **Auction**Ideas List below! August's list features FAMILY FUN experiences and events. If you would like to make a donation of any kind or fulfill an item on this list, please contact Nicole at

NJenkins@SolesForJesus.org.



Click <u>HERE</u> to view August donors.

Shipment to Tanzania

We are thrilled to be sending another shipment to Tanzania! This is our sixth shipment since 2011 and we are grateful for each person who has donated shoes, helped pack

below). Check out this highlight video of a fun day enjoyed by many - both near and far!



Click image to VIEW video

<u>Shoe Drives & Special</u> <u>Thanks</u>

Thank you, Katelyn! - It has been a great summer with our intern, Katelyn. She has been a wonderful addition to our in team by helping our warehouse and office with social media and many other projects. We pray the very best for her as she returns to school bless and God her mav abundantly!

and generously given them funds to help send these 8,000 pairs. We could not do this without your work faithful support. Please join us praying for the harvest as our Ministry Director, Yohana, and his team share the Gospel message and minister God's love with these shoes. We give thanks to the Lord for the beautiful work that He is doing in the nation of Tanzania and pray God's blessings, protection and favor over them. May the harvest be ripe and plentiful in Jesus' name!

View more photos **HERE**.



Sending God's Love to Tanzania!

Growing the Church in



Katelyn on her last day at SFJ.

Marquette University **Volleyball -** It was so much fun hosting this fantastic team from MU! They held a shoe drive in spring at the McGuire Center for athletes and now they helped us pack over 500 pairs in our warehouse. We are grateful for their time serving with us and we wish them the very best in their upcoming season!



Burkina Faso

We are excited to share this testimony with you from Pastor Lompo, our Ministry Director in Burkina Faso. Pastor Lompo and his team recently shared the Gospel and distributed shoes to 600 people in the village of Bigtogo. Before they came, many of the local children and teens were forbidden to attend church. shoes helped But opened this door! Lifechanging ministry took place at the shoe distribution, as the love of Jesus was shared and demonstrated. village observed all day, the village chief and many parents softened their hearts. They encountered the love of God and are now attending church with their children! Burgeoning Church in Bigtogo greatly blessed was increased in number through the efforts of Pastor Lompo and his team. Please pray that the village will continue to follow Jesus as their Savior.

"So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily." – Acts 16:5

Marquette Volleyball serving with us!

Church, Grace **Morton** - We enjoyed Illinois our visit with Kathy and Larry they delivered shoes from Grace Church. Over 350 pairs of shoes were collected that will impact many lives. We're thankful for partnerships to advance the Gospel and God bless you all!



Thank you Larry & Kathy!

Alive Church, Michigan - We were excited to have Annie and her sweet kids visit us from Michigan again! They brought another delivery of beautiful shoes from Alive Church in Brighton, MI. Thank you for your partnership and support!

View more photos **HERE**.



Salvations and joy in Burkina Faso

Update From Guinea Bissau

We praise the Lord that Pastor Julio and his team recently distributed shoes in Ilha Dos Reis, Guinea Bissau. With the help of shoes opening the door, they were able to preach Word the of God demonstrate the love of Jesus washing. with foot Many people were deeply touched to have their feet washed and they opened their hearts to receive Him as their Savior! The need for shoes is great in this area and the people of Ilha Dos Reis expressed their gratitude for the team



Thank you, Annie and family!

Mission Moment at SOTH -We appreciate Amy & Brian Huber for sharing about their mission trip to Botswana and their vear-round involvement with SFJ during Moment" "Mission the at Shepherd Of The Hills in Pewaukee. We could not do this work alone and we are so your ongoing grateful for Kingdom partnership!

traveling so far to reach them. The village chief, Matia, said that the shoes were such a blessing in the community that he doesn't know where to begin thanking SFJ and their donors. "The shoes are very community useful for the because we are in great need and the shoes arrived at the right time. We are from the island where nobody cares to help us, and your support is a reminder of God's love for us." Please pray for the people Ilha Dos Reis that they will continue to be transformed by the power of God.

View more photos HERE.



Finding new life in Jesus!

Angola Arrived

Shipment

Our first shipment to Angola has arrived! Angola is the 31st country to receive shoes from Soles For Jesus. Thank you to



Amy & Brian at SOTH in Pewaukee.

Gary & Margaret's Community Shoe Drive - We appreciate Gary and Margaret for collecting shoes again in their community. Margaret has been to Zambia with SFJ and she has seen first-hand that shoes make a huge difference in lives throughout Africa. God bless you both!



Thank you, Gary & Margaret!

God and to every one of our volunteers and supporters. Please join us in praying for Ministry Director, our Emanuel, as he and his team travel throughout Angola to share the love of Jesus and distribute these shoes. We pray God's blessings over them and that He will awaken many hearts to receive Jesus.

"Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." – Mark 16:15

View more photos **HERE**.



Blessings to Angola!

Meet One of Our Ministry Directors

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.

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

September

Thursday, September 7th, 9-11am Saturday, September 9th, 9-11am Saturday, September 16th, 9-11am Tuesday, September 19th, 6-8pm Saturday, September 23rd, 9-11am Friday, September 29th, 9-11am Saturday, September 30th, 9-11am

October

Saturday, October 7th, 9-11am Thursday, October 12th, 6-8pm Saturday, October 14th, 9-11am Thursday, October 19th, 9-11am Saturday, October 21st, 9-11am Saturday, October 28th, 9-11am Meet our Every
Home for
Christ Ministry
Director in
Tanzania,
Pastor Yohana
Chibwiga.
Yohana
became a

Christ follower at a young age used every and has opportunity to spread the Good News. While the military, Yohana shared the Gospel with his fellow soldiers, and they began to go door-todoor during their free time to evangelize. Many people were saved and their troop planted four churches in the area. After 10 years in the military, God called Yohana to resign and become a pastor.

ministry Yohana's Brother goals are to complete construction of a church this vear and to fulfill the OIKOS strategy to reach every home in Tanzania with the gospel message. The Bible verse that encourages him in his ministry is Matthew 19:27, which reads "Then answered Peter and said unto Him, 'Behold, we have forsaken all and followed Thee, what shall we have therefore?" Through this



Wisconsin Lutheran College Volleyball Team!

Hours" "Business 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, or community? together Volunteering organize and pack shoes for Africa is a rewarding, 2-hour, team building opportunity for youth and adults. Please verse, Yohana is reminded the moment when God first called him to leave the military and become a pastor.

Let us join Pastor Yohana in prayer for the following:

- Health, favor and protection for Yohana, his wife, Hidaya, and their children: Praise, Esther, Angel, Comfort, and Aaren
- That many souls will respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ and become disciples
- Financial provision to complete the construction of their church. Walls are now in place and the team has been fundraising to be able to put a roof on the building soon.



Church building project in Tanzania

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

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Where in the World is Tanzania?



United Republic The of Tanzania was formed in 1964 unification through the of mainland Tanganyika archipelago Zanzibar. Tanzania is located in East Africa along the Indian Ocean, and is home to several well-known natural wonders including Kilimanjaro, The Serengeti, and three of the African Great Lakes, including Lake Victoria. Religious affiliations are split among Christianity, Islam, and indigenous traditions; many adapt a "fluidity" to their belief systems by adhering to a mix of practices. Much of the economy is based agriculture, along with growing tourism sector due to the country's landscapes and

diverse animal life. Of the 63.5 million people living in Tanzania, nearly 2/3 reside in rural areas. Limited public services including healthcare, education, and water, especially in these rural areas, pose challenges for meeting basic daily needs, particularly for women and children. We give thanks for the work being done to reach the people of Tanzania with the Gospel and pray for the Lord's blessing upon them.

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