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

Dear Friend,

On my last trip to Africa, I experienced something completely new. For many years I've read in our field reports about this happening and now I got to witness it. For the first time, I was able to visit and worship in a village church that was born as a result of the ministry that happened at a shoe distribution! It was *amazing* to meet the people who have been impacted for eternity and to worship with them! You can listen to this testimony and hear more in our video below, "Live from Botswana". Shoes and the love of Jesus are opening doors to incredible ministry and to God be all of the glory!

I am also excited to share about a new opportunity to help bring

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14th Annual Luncheon & Auction

We want to express a heartfelt THANK YOU to each person who joined us for this year's luncheon and auction! God truly blessed this day in a unique way and His presence was felt throughout the event. It was an honor to be joined by Blessing Annatoria and Sharon Chitapa who shared their beautiful voices with us in worship. Tanner Peake gave a timely message about God's desire to see every person reached with the love of Jesus

God's love to the margins. In Africa, children who are disabled or albino are believed to be a curse, and fathers will often abandon their families when they can't handle the stigma. These mothers and children live in hiding (or the margins) and here is a LETTER that shares more about how you can help reach them, so we don't leave anyone behind in our pursuit of the Great Commission.

I can't thank you enough for your partnership as we are getting ready to send our final shipments of the year. So many amazing people make this mission possible and the Lord continues to provide through you. When I see all that He is doing on behalf of the orphans, widows, disabled and vulnerable, I think of James 1:27. *"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress."* It's a joy to link arms with you and may the Lord bless you throughout this Christmas season!

Sincerely in Christ,

Diane Studer

and Diane closed the event by inviting each of us to be a part of all that the Lord is doing. Please mark your calendar to join us next year on November 9, 2024!



Click [HERE](#) to view a recording of our speakers and videos. To view our event photo album, click [HERE](#).

Supplies & Kids Shoes Needed for 2024 Mission Trip!

We are currently packing shoes and supplies for our 2024 Mission Trip to Benin and we are in need of the following:

- Children's Shoe Sizes:

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Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Lutheran Missionary League - We appreciate our friend, Craig Thacker, for sharing SFJ at the Hales Corners LWML Event and we thank Jean Schubert for the invitation. Craig is a member of our next mission team going to Benin and he also helps lead volunteers in our warehouse. We're grateful for his willingness to share at his home church and for the opportunity to let others know more about our mission. God bless you all!

Women's League

3T, 4T,
9T,
Youth 1-4,
Men's 5 & 6

- 50 Full-sized bath towels
- 36 Wash cloths
- 24 Bars of Soap
- 4 Tarps (16'x20')



If you would like to donate any of these items, please drop them off at our office by December 20th. Call or email with any questions to Info@SolesForJesus.org or 414-365-1392. Thank you for your support!

Shipment To Eswatini

We are thrilled that our 7th shipment of shoes and Bibles is on its way to Eswatini. We sincerely thank each person who has donated shoes, helped pack them and provided the funds to help send these 8,000 pairs. We could not do this without your faithful support and we're so grateful.

Join us in prayer for our ministry partner, Pastor



Jean & Craig at the LWML Event

DSHA | Raise Awareness Club

- We are thankful for the students at Divine Savior Holy Angels for organizing a Bake Sale to raise funds to help send the shoes they collected through their *Raise Awareness Club*. They also mailed a sweet card signed by all about how much they enjoyed helping others learn about the impact of shoes in Africa!



Joseph, and his team as they travel, preach and demonstrate His love in new places. We give thanks to the Lord for the beautiful work that he is doing in the nation of Eswatini and we pray God's blessings over the harvest!

View more photos [HERE](#).



Love and blessings to Eswatini

The Children of Ghana

The committee chairman of Chorkor, Ghana, Alfred Adotey, expressed much joy and thanksgiving for the kindness shown to their primary school, especially to the underprivileged and marginalized children. He reported that a parent of one of the students

DSHA Raise Awareness Club

Lake Country Lutheran High School Robotics Team -

Thank you to this fantastic team for serving in our warehouse us and for bringing loads of shoes. This crew worked hard and helped us pack over 400 pairs of shoes! May your team have great success and God bless you all.



**Lake Country Lutheran
Robotics Team**



LCL Robotics Team

Grace Lutheran Church - Teri Norton is a member of Team Benin in 2024 and she had the opportunity to share at Grace Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. We're so thankful for her willingness to share about our mission and we look forward to all that God has planned for Teri and our mission team.

shared that she had been greatly blessed through the shoe distribution. Her son had been crying to her for his own pair of shoes because the children made a mockery of him when they saw him wearing his torn, oversized shoes to school. Our Ministry Director, Pastor Ebow, ministered God's love to these beautiful children just as Jesus did. *"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."* Luke 18:16

View more photos [HERE](#).



*Jesus loves the children of
Ghana!*

Shipment Arrives in Tanzania

Our sixth shipment of shoes and Bibles to Tanzania has



Teri sharing at Grace Lutheran

Ultra Fit "Live Big" Challenge

- Huge **congrats** to Dave Jesse for completing a rigorous designed work-out to raise awareness and shoes for our mission! Dave took 120,000 steps, ran 50 miles, and made 16 trips up The Rock ski hill in Franklin. We are extremely impressed by his perseverance and commitment. He shared that during the most difficult and dark times of the challenge, he thought about the mission's purpose and it pushed him forward! Well done and you are an inspiration to us all, Dave!

arrived! We give thanks to the Lord for His provision through so many of you and for the safe arrival of this precious cargo. Please join us in prayer for our Ministry Director, Pastor Yohana, as he and his team travel to the impoverished people of Tanzania to share the love of Jesus and distribute these shoes. We pray that many hearts will respond to Jesus and that He will continue to bless and guide their team as they minister.

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

View more photos [HERE](#).



Yohana with our 6th shipment to TZ

**ULTRA FIT
LIVE BIG
CHALLENGE!**



*Thanks for your hard work,
Dave!*

Volunteers of the Month

In celebration of this month's 14th Annual Luncheon, we honor the members of our Event and Auction Teams who work throughout the year to prepare for this exciting day! Thank you to each of these volunteers, along with many others who assist us on the day of the event, for sharing your time and talents to bless the ministry.

Testimony in Liberia

At a shoe distribution in Genenmu Town, Liberia, an elderly man named Morris confessed that he had heard parts of the Bible but didn't know the meaning of, "*no man can serve two masters*". Over the years, his heart had never experienced true inner peace because he did not fully surrender his heart and life. As Morris listened to the gospel message shared by Sister Jonel and saw the love of Jesus demonstrated when he was given shoes, his heart kept telling him go for prayer since he was serving two masters. He was troubled and ashamed to express his need in front of the whole village but he raised his hands anyway and received prayer to fully surrender his heart to Jesus. His eyes lit up with joy and he testified that his heart was made new!

"Therefore, if any man be in Christ he is a new creation, old things are pass away and all things have become new."
2 Corinthians 5:17

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FJ Event & Auction Teams

Nicole Jenkins, Kristen Adam, Yenih Mikolajewski, Roberta Pratt, Michelle Novak, Jennifer Miller, Diane Studer, Kayla Gibson, Kris Monteen, Vicki Hirschfeld, Cynthia Zeckmeister & Grant Niemann

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 Yenih at (414)365-1392 or Yenh@SolesForJesus.org to sign-up for a date and to reserve your spot(s).



*Hearts made **new** in Liberia!*

Meet One of Our Ministry Directors

Meet our Every Home for Christ ministry partner in Liberia, Jonel Weeks. She and her team are working to



bring the good news of salvation to soldiers, youth, and remote communities in Liberia. Jonel shares a beautiful story of God's hand at work through the distribution of shoes in rural Lorhn Village. The town chief thanked the team for coming, noting that because of long

December

Saturday, December 2nd, 9-11am
Saturday, December 9th, 9-11:30am
Tuesday, December 12th, 6-8pm
Saturday, December 16th, 9-11am
Thursday, December 21st, 9-11am
Saturday, December 30th, 9-11am

January

Saturday, January 6th, 9-11am
Saturday, January 13th, 9-11am
Thursday, January 18th, 9-11am
Saturday, January 20th, 9-11am
Tuesday, January 23rd, 6-8pm
Saturday, January 27th, 9-11am



Thank you CUW Men's Lacrosse Team

"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

distances, poor road conditions, poverty, and demonic traditional practices, they do not receive visitors often. On that day, **the chief along with 48 others gave their lives to Jesus Christ and also designated a parcel of land to be used to build a church!** Jonel shares, *"Praise God that the town of Lorhn now has a church and many like Chief Gargue Zeon are getting delivered and saved through the grace of God."*

Jonel and her husband, Varney Sr., have been married for 21 years and are blessed with two children, Varnettie and Varney Jr. Jonel has been involved in ministry for over two decades. Of her faith, she says, *"I'm truly grateful that Jesus Christ died for me and for the opportunity afforded to me to live as a believer in Christ. I am passionate and zealous for the propagation of the Gospel and winning the lost and unreached. Sharing God's love with others brings me joy."*

Jonel asks us to pray for the following:

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

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- Access to a ministry vehicle to help enhance the movement of their team for outreaches and distributions.
- Open doors to obtain approvals to take the word of God to unreached groups – including the military barracks that have restrictions.

Where in the World is Liberia?



Liberia is a nation with over five million people on the West African coast. Roughly the geographical size of Virginia, Liberia lies along the Atlantic Ocean and is

bordered by the countries of Sierra Leone, Guinea, and Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast). Liberia is rich in natural resources and agriculture drives the economy; however, civil war in the 1990s and early 2000s disrupted most industries which have been slow to recover. Over 40% of their population is under the age of 15 and life expectancy is about 57 years for males and 60 years for females. The majority of the population identify themselves as Christian, with some people also incorporating traditional beliefs into their practices. Please join us in praying for the beautiful people of Liberia and the wonderful work that He is doing there!

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