



**Soles For Jesus**  
November 2025



**Dear Friends,**

Brother Godfrey in Mozambique wrote to tell me about a vision God gave to him and I was so moved. Godfrey responded in obedience and invited pastors from 42 churches to a special service honoring them with foot-washing, new shoes and a Bible printed in their language. For the first time in many years, churches came together in unity and this led to a spiritual breakthrough! You can read more about this and how you can help make an impact in this [LETTER](#).

Not only are you providing shoes and the gospel for those who are in great need— but you are also covering the feet of pastors who walk great distances! Pastor Godfrey shared, *“What a joy to cover the feet of those who bring the Good News and many received their first pair of brand new shoes. This was a spiritual milestone that serves as a reminder that the global body of Christ stands with them. Each pair is a tool for evangelism since they walk great distances and dignity was restored, as many minister in torn shoes or barefoot.”*

We are so grateful for each person who joined us to celebrate *One Million Pairs and One Million Souls*. I was blessed to give our one millionth pair of shoes in

### **One Million Pairs & One Million Souls!**

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who joined us for this year’s celebration. What a joy it was to gather with so many friends, partners and champions of this ministry as we celebrated an unforgettable milestone together, sharing our one millionth pair of shoes in Africa. One million lives have been touched by the love of Jesus through the gift of shoes and the Gospel, and we give God all of the glory!

We are so grateful for our keynote speaker, Dr. Douglas Mudimba, emcee, Lance Allan, and our founder, Diane Studer, for sharing her heart. A video link is included below if you'd like to hear Dr. Mudimba and Diane speak. To our guests: your presence, encouragement, and prayers filled the room with joy and purpose. As we heard stories of transformation from the field and witnessed the unity of our community, we are reminded once again why this mission matters so deeply.

We praise God for His faithfulness and for the privilege of serving Him alongside you. As we step into the future, we remain committed to bringing hope, dignity, and the love of Jesus to the beautiful people of Africa—one pair

Eswatini to a school boy named Thokozani. If you haven't seen this new video yet, I invite you to take a few minutes to view it. To God be all of the glory for how He is using the gift of shoes to open hearts and lives to salvation in Jesus.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Diane Studer  
Founder/Executive Director  
Soles For Jesus

### Volunteers of the Month

We are delighted to celebrate the members of our Event and Auction Teams, whose dedication and hard work helped make this year's celebration truly unforgettable! From months of preparation to the final moments of the event, your commitment shined through every detail.

A heartfelt thanks to each volunteer—and the many helping hands who joined us on event day—for generously sharing your time, creativity, and joy. We are deeply grateful for each one of you, and we pray God will bless you abundantly for your kindness!



*(Left to right) Kris Monteen, Roberta Pratt, Nicole Jenkins, Susan Levin, Michelle Novak, Kristen Adam, Guimel Correia, Jennifer Miller, Diane Studer, Alexandra Roque, Kayla Gibson, Vicki Hirschfeld, Cynthia Zeckmeister, Yenh Mikolajewski*

of shoes, one precious life at a time. Thank you for celebrating this historic moment with us!



### Tanzania Mission Team 2026:

#### Shoes Are On The Way!

A new shipment of shoes is heading to Tanzania for our 2026 mission trip! Pastor Yohana and his team are excited and already praying over the villages that will receive these shoes and the Gospel. We can't wait to share the amazing testimonies of what God will do in Tanzania!





## Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

**Journey 21** - It was a joy to have our friends from Journey 21 join us to sort and pack shoes for Africa. They collected over 1,000 pairs during their shoe drive and packed them all for Africa! Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference in lives across the globe.



*Thank you, Journey 21.*

**Bridge Church** - Another 1,000 pairs of shoes were donated by Bridge Church in Waukesha! We are so grateful for their shoe collection site that gathers shoes year-round from their church and community. We also want to thank Allan for delivering them to our warehouse and so many lives in Africa will be blessed by your kindness!



*Grateful for your partnership, BC.*

## First Shipment to Côte d'Ivoire!

We are so excited to send our very first shipment of shoes to the nation of Côte d'Ivoire! This West African country is known as the Ivory Coast and since only 25% identify as Christians we are compelled to bring shoes and the Gospel in His name! We pray that each pair shared with a gospel booklet brings comfort, hope, and a reminder that every person is deeply loved and remembered by God. We are also praying for Pastor Lolo and his passionate team, as they prepare to receive the shoes and share the Gospel. Their dedication to spreading the Good News is inspiring and we look forward to the transformative testimonies!



*Shoes on the way to Côte d'Ivoire*



**Concordia University** - It was a joy to host these incredible women from across the country who were in town for the *Beautiful Feet Conference* at Concordia University! Thank you for serving and for being such a blessing.



*Ladies from the Beautiful Feet Conference*

**Heritage Christian School** - This fantastic group of senior girls from Heritage Christian School joined us to pack hundreds of shoes for our next shipment to Africa. Thank you for serving with so much passion and heart!



*The next generation is on fire for Jesus!*

### Testimonies from Chad

Brother Osee has been traveling deep into remote communities and villages across Chad, carrying with him something many people have never had before: a simple pair of shoes. In places where countless men, women, and children have never owned footwear or heard the Gospel, these visits have become moments of profound hope. With every pair of shoes he offers, Brother Osee also brings a life-changing message: "*Jesus loves you and offers you eternal life, and you are not forgotten.*"

We praise God for the beautiful work unfolding throughout Chad. May He continue to strengthen Brother Osee and his team as they touch lives one pair of shoes and one Gospel presentation at a time!

View more photos [HERE](#).



*May God continue to bless Chad!*



**PFERD Tools, Inc.** - Thank you to Brittany and her team from PFERD for hosting an amazing shoe drive and for delivering hundreds of shoes, along with a donation to help cover the shipping costs! Your kindness will bless so many people in Africa and may God bless you all.



*Thank you Brittany & PFERD*

**Brookfield Central Key Club and All Saints Lutheran Church** - Thank you to Brookfield Central Key Club and All Saints Lutheran Church for making it a great Saturday by packing so many shoes for Africa! Your support is making a huge impact and we are grateful for your service.



THANK  
YOU!

*Thank you all for serving.*

## God is Moving in Angola!

Pastor Emanuel and his team just visited Caimbra in Lobito, Angola — a largely forgotten community where families survive by collecting food from waste and children often go to school barefoot. Their deepest need is the life-changing love of Jesus.

During their visit, the team shared the Gospel from hut to hut and invited the community to a service at their partner church, where Pastor Constantino de Oliveira preached a sermon titled, "*Jesus Is Calling You*" (Matthew 11:28). Over 260 people attended, from adults to children, including the community chief, and many received new life in Jesus!

One resident, Manuel Francisco (age 75), said this encounter was the first time he had truly seen God's love in action. Shoes were distributed, hearts were touched, and the message of hope was shared across Caimbra, bringing practical help and the life-changing love of Christ.



*Sharing shoes and the love of God in Angola.*

## Volunteer Opportunities

### SOS (Sort & Organize Shoes) Events

Make a difference by volunteering at a two-hour SOS Event! You and your friends can Sort and Organize Shoes at our Milwaukee warehouse to prepare them for shipment to Africa. New volunteers are always welcome, but you must sign-up! We will begin each event with a brief orientation. Please contact Alexandra at (414) 365-1392 or [Aroque@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Aroque@SolesForJesus.org) to reserve your date and spot(s).

#### December:

Saturday, December 6th, 9-11am	<b>FULL</b>
Tuesday, December 9th, 1-3pm	<b>FULL</b>
Saturday, December 13th, 9-11am	<b>FULL</b>
Wednesday, December 17th, 6-8pm	<b>FULL</b>
Saturday, December 20th, 9-11am	<b>FULL</b>
Tuesday, December 23rd, 11-12:30pm	<b>FULL</b>

#### January:

Saturday, January 3rd, 9-11am	
Wednesday, January 7th, 9-11am	
Saturday, January 10th, 9-11am	
Tuesday, January 13th, 6-8 pm	
Wednesday, January 14th, 9-11am	
Friday, January 16th, 9-11am	
Saturday, January 17th, 9-11am	<b>FULL</b>
Saturday, January 24th, 9-11am	
Saturday, January 31st, 9-11am	<b>FULL</b>

*\*Choose your own date to serve by emailing us!\**

## God's Love in Lesotho

What a joy to see the faces of children and families light up as they receive a pair of shoes and for dignity to be restored by the Father's love. Pastor Josias shared how many people were so delighted and praising God for this incredible gift in the midst of the hardships they face. The beautiful shoes were an answer to prayer and brought great hope and encouragement!



*The love of God reaching Lesotho.*

## Meet One of Our Ministry Directors

Meet our Every Home for Christ Ministry Director in Burundi, Rev. Evariste Harerimana. Since coming to faith in Christ in 1989, Evariste has committed his life to sharing the Good News of the Gospel. He joined EHC-Burundi in 2009 and works in partnership with 118 local churches to lead communities to Christ.

The team is currently focused on the central region of Burundi, including the capital city of Gitega. This area is particularly affected by poverty and the team is grateful for physical resources, like shoes, to enhance their visibility and involvement in these hard-hit communities. While working in this densely-populated region, Rev. Evariste recalls Jesus' encounter with a large crowd in Matthew 9. The Scripture says, *"When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd."* Moments later, Jesus healed many and fed them. Evariste shares, *"So too, compassion moves our inner*

**“Business Hours” SOS:** Volunteers can come during weekdays to pack shoes (Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm). Come and sort shoes when it fits your schedule. You are welcome to stay for an hour or more. It’s entirely up to you and 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 two-hour team building opportunity for youth and adults. To sign-up your group, contact Alexandra at [Aroque@SolesForJesus.org](mailto:Aroque@SolesForJesus.org) or (414)365-1392.

*spirit as we reach people with the love of Christ translated into actions.”* Soon, the team will embark on a two-year mission to reach nearly 1.2 million people in Gitega. We pray the Lord’s favor over their work and that many more hearts will come to know Christ as their Savior!

Evariste has been married to his wife, Inarukundo, for 26 years. Together, they have 5 young-adult children. Since 2017, he has served as leader of Shofar Christian Community Church in the Kibingo area of Burundi.



Please join us in praying for the following needs:

- A tenderness to receive the Gospel among people of central Burundi
- Evariste & Inarukundo's five children, as they work to complete their various educational pursuits
- Safety & God’s provision over the EHC Burundi office & team. May they continue to receive the resources needed to reach even the most marginalized communities across Burundi.



## SFJ Merch Under Your Christmas Tree!



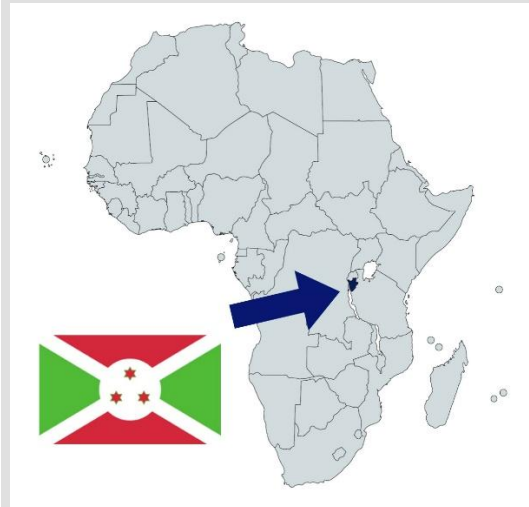
NEW SFJ hoodies are here, just in time for holiday shopping! Soft, cozy, & available in sizes Small–3XL for \$45. It's the perfect way to show your support in style! They're READY for pick-up today.

\*Online ordering & shipping is coming soon, but you can contact us now to snag your SFJ gear before it's gone!

**Your donation  
impacts lives.**

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## Where in the World is Burundi?



Located in East Africa, Burundi is a small landlocked nation surrounded by Rwanda, Tanzania, and Democratic Republic of Congo. Approximately the size of Massachusetts, Burundi is home to 14.5 million people, mostly of Hutu ethnicity. Unfortunately, this nation is consistently ranked among the poorest counties in the world. Political instability, dependence on limited agriculture, and a history of conflict have severely hampered its development. Food insecurity and limited access to clean water and electricity pose serious daily challenges to families across Burundi. We pray that regardless of these trials, this nation will continue to seek God's word and guidance. May our brothers and sisters in Burundi see His provision and goodness in their lives each day. We pray that the Gospel will continue to spread throughout this country and that truth can be heard!