





DID I HAVE TO GO TO AFRICA TO SEE COMPASSION? YES - POURED OUT IN THIS DEGREE. YES - POURED OUT UNSELFISHLY AND FOR NO PERSONAL GAIN - A WORLD OF VOLUNTEERS DRIVEN BY LOVE FOR GOD AND THEIR ACHING HEARTS FOR THE ORPHAN, THE WIDOW AND THE SICK

DID I HAVE TO GO TO AFRICA TO REALIZE I WAS ONE OF THE SLEEPING CHURCH?

I GUESS I DID. NO AMOUNT OF REALITY TV CAN BRING THE TRUTH BEFORE YOU BECAUSE TV DOESN'T SMELL, AND IT'S NOT HOT, NOT COLD, NOT BREATHING. FEEL-ING THE BREATH OF THE DYING - INHALE - EXHALE -IS NOT GENERATED IN TV IMAGES OR IN MAGAZINE PIC-TURES.

Yes – I most ashamedly admit – I had to go to Af-RICA TO KNOW - TO REALLY KNOW HOW HIV/AIDS IS PLUNDERING FAMILIES, VILLAGES, COUNTRIES, AND GENERATIONS. TO KNOW HOW STARVATION SUCKS THE LIFE OUT OF A HUMAN BEING AND LEAVES THEM IMMO-BILIZED IN WEAKNESS AND FATIGUE. YES - I HAD TO GO TO AFRICA - TO KNOW THE EXTENT OF MY HARD HEART AND FAIRYTALE LIFE. THANK YOU LORD FOR TAKING ME TO THE PAIN SO THAT I COULD KNOW THE REAL BEAU-TY OF FAITH AND HOPE IN CHRIST - THE ONLY ANSWER TO LIFE'S DEEPEST CRY - THE ONLY REAL COMFORT FOR THE TORMENTED SOUL...THE HOPE OF HEAVEN. THANK YOU LORD THAT YOU TAUGHT ME THROUGH "THE LEAST OF THESE" - WHAT FAITH REALLY IS. BEYOND ANSWERS AND BEYOND CORRECTED CIRCUMSTANCES LIE TODAY'S GIANTS OF FAITH...ON BEDS OF RED EARTH WITHIN CLAY BRICK SHELTERS, BENEATH STRAW ROOFS - BREATHE THOSE ALONE - THEIR LAST BREATH BEFORE HEAVEN.





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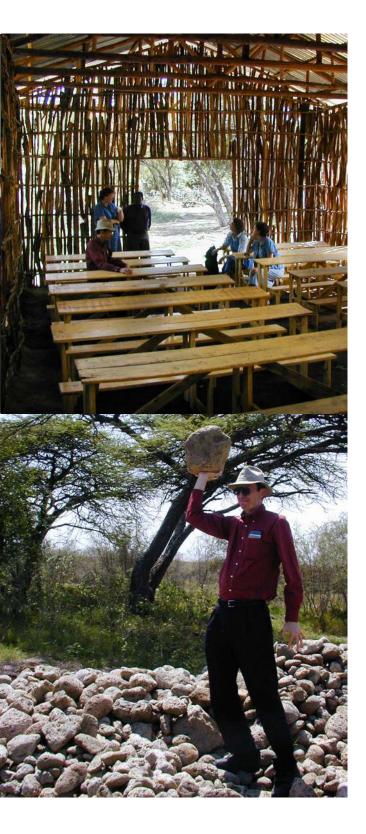
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## Dear Friends,

Keep your eyes on the goal, do not be distracted, focus on the goal and keep the main thing the return through facing a difficult task or challenge. Paul himself gave his own variation in 1 Corinthians be daunting when one looks ahead and sees the immensity of the task ahead. Sometimes looking back and seeing the progress that has been made can give us the encouragement to settle to the task

As I look back I am struck by the invaluable contributions that so many different people make, ea and this is how I can get my revenge" as she worked at her schools Anti Aids club to the elderly c a similar vein I look back and am thankful for the team of people that God has put together to he ual project managers, to the country coordinators and the team of people who assist in coordinat greater than the sum of the parts. The development and progress made of projects throughout A visit is a privilege that I wish more of you could share. Likewise I wish you could share the bitter is desperate for a hug. The joy you can experience making this group of children happy by simply reflection by the fact that these children experience this so rarely.

It would be nice to report that we have no problems, that everything we have attempted has been actly the same. Unfortunately this has not beenthe case and you can read about some of the chall think it is fair to say that we can look forward to more stretching times ahead even if the challeng good God has been to us in bringing together the people that he has. We must also not fail to giv more money than we have done in the past 12 months as projects have come on stream. On the l different countries come on board and the existing projects are expanded. Please pray with us no of the pages ahead you can read of the different perspectives of Windows of HOPE from four verour projects. The third perspective comes from one of those we are trying most to help, a HIV positivation in South Africa. As you read these accounts ponder what your reaction might be if you

For those of you who have joined us on the ride that has been the last 12 months we say thank yo riod of reflection and noted how God has sustained us and how far we have traveled it is time or here.

Yours in Him Russell Pratt nain thing. This advice or a phrase with similar connotation is often repeated to people partway when he tells the readers to run so as to win the prize and it is good advice however it can also

ask again. I hope that you find this look back at the past 12 – 15 months encouraging.

ach according to their ability. From the teenage girl in Ethiopia who said that "Aids is a evil thing hurchgoer in Perth, Australia who sends across boxes of clothes and toys to various projects. In elp develop the Windows of HOPE program. From the volunteers or project workers to individtion - each person's contribution have combined is such a way that the whole does truly become frica has been exciting to see. To see the joy on the faces of patients as "their" carer comes to sweet experience of being mobbed by a group of 40 odd children under the age of six - each who picking them up for a few seconds and paying them individual attention is later tempered upon

successful and that if we had the opportunity to repeat the last year we would do everything exenges that we do face. This last 12 months has been a learning and a stretching experience and I ges we actually face are different from those we have currently identified. I mentioned above how e thanks for the finances that he has provided. We would have struggled to have spent wisely ast page you will see some projected needs for the next 12 months as more projects are started, t only for the provision of the funds but also for wisdom in distributing them wisely. In some ry different people. One of them is a Director of a partner mission, another a volunteer at one of ositive patient whilst the fourth is from a Canadian pastor having his first look at the HIV/AIDS stood in their shoes.

ou and for those looking to come onboard for the next 12 we say welcome. Having had this pence again to press forward with determination. I hope that you are encouraged because we are















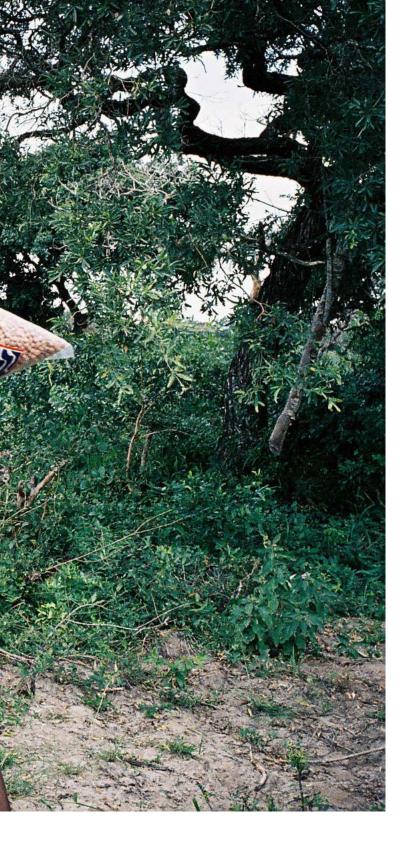






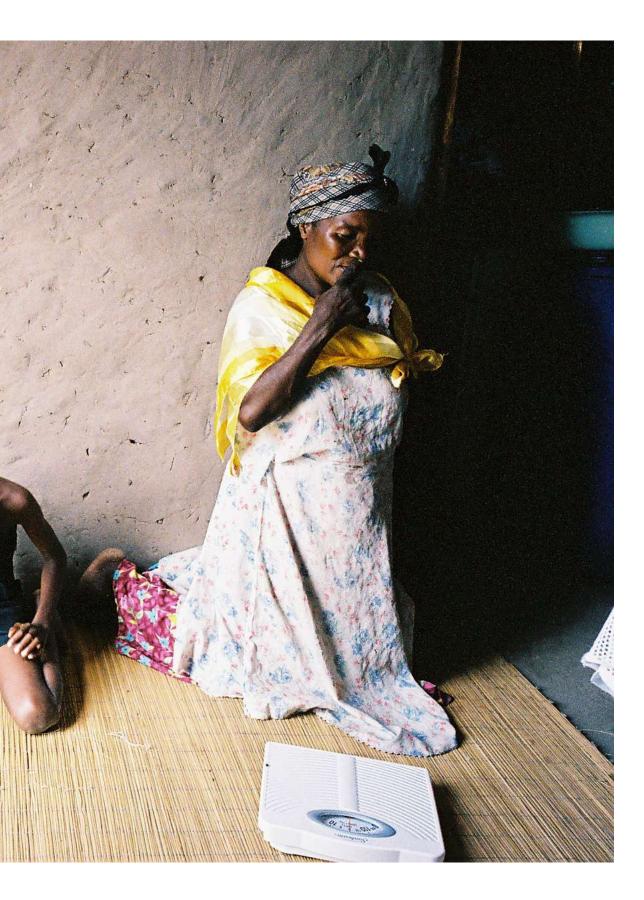




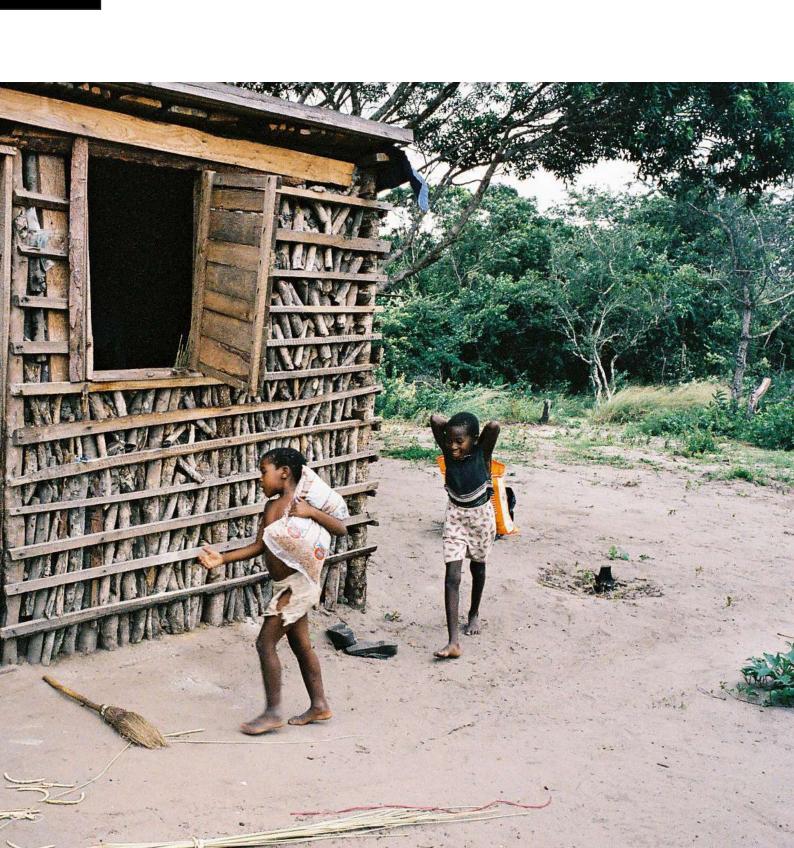




























## The Results Illuminated from the First Year of Windows of HOPE

In Phase 1 of Windows of HOPE, the programme centred on the creation of an overall strategic framework and on preparing tailored strategies for the participating countries. In the first year of Phase 2, the focus shifted from planning into action. Many HIV/AIDS projects now are underway and are starting to make a difference. As well several communication tools are now in place helping people around the world to better understand the impact of HIV/AIDS and to become aware of how best to demonstrate the love of Christ in responding to this pandemic.

The actual results from the first year of implementation (Phase 2) tended to be linked to activities directly generated by projects and programmes. These included the following.....

#### Increased Number and Quality of AIDS Ministries

From June 1, 2002 to May 31, 2003 six countries have signed on to 38 approved Windows of HOPE projects. Of the thirty eight, twenty four are now operational. These projects respond to the programme's  $\mathbf{H} - \mathbf{O} - \mathbf{P} - \mathbf{E}$  components. The projects range in cost from \$500 (US) for a mother to child transmission education project to a \$900,000 (US) for a centre providing a wholistic approach to AIDS including prevention, testing, counselling and support.

#### Examples of the thirty-eight Windows of HOPE projects:

- Home-based Care in Malawi sees SIM working with the Africa Evangelical Church in developing a hands-on training and support programme for local volunteer home-based workers to provide physical comfort and spiritual counselling to AIDS patients and their families.
- Related to Orphan Care SIM is in partnership with the United Baptist Church in Zimbabwe to help equip participating local churches in responding to the immediate and ongoing needs of families after the death of one or both parents. In order not to create a cycle of dependency, life-skills workshops will train orphans in areas such as gardening and literacy.





- **Prevention** the Medan Addis Ababa Project in Ethiopia. Set up in the capital city, this centre will concentrate on AIDS public awareness, on free testing and counselling, on creating and distributing prevention information and on training volunteers.
- Related to **Enabling** Project Positive Ray located in the Durban area of South Africa. A predominately Indian denomination, the Evangelical Church in South Africa, has created a partnership with SIM to minister among the Zulu villages in the Durban region where the estimated HIV rates in rural areas range up to 70%. The three year plan involves mobilizing 18 churches to unleash 90 formally trained church-based volunteers to create and then initiate home-based caregiver teams to minister within communities.





#### Enhanced quality of leadership and management of HIV/AIDS ministries

- Six of eight participating fields currently are using their country strategy on a regular basis in implementing and monitoring initiatives. The two other countries are still in process of creating their own strategy.
  - Tools including surveys are now developed in order to effectively monitor and evaluate common performance indicators from all the ongoing projects. The results from the first surveys are expected to be available by late fall.















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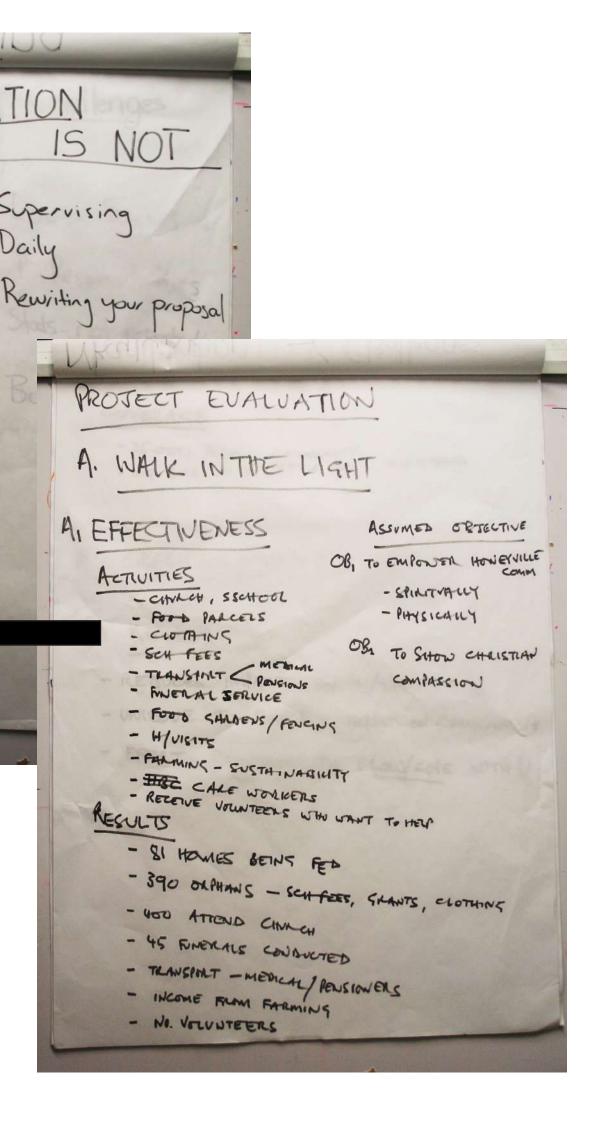






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# a letter from our coordinator

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## Dear Friends

SIM western missionaries have worked at grassroots levels in Africa and Asia for more than 100 years, proclaiming the Gospel and sharing Christ's love by meeting individual and community needs. Recently the center of gravity of the Christian faith has moved south and east, as God's church in Africa. Asia, and South America has grown. When HIV and AIDS appeared in Africa and Asia, our Christian partners were some of the pioneers caring for affected people. Together we have responded compassionately through home-based care, caring for orphans and vulnerable children, prevention training, and enabling partners and communities affected by this pandemic. SIM HOPE for AIDS remains committed to holistic ministry, caring for both the soul and body.

**Stories of HOPE** are found on pages 4–7. These illustrate what God is doing through his people in the 12 countries where HOPE for AIDS operates. Thousands of lives are being impacted each month. Our partners on the frontline could not make the impact without the many community-based volunteers. These volunteers care in the homes of the sick and dying; they help orphans and other vulnerable children be fed, clothed, attend school, and hold onto their homes. Volunteers also train youth in HIV prevention and making good choices in life.

**Volunteering** is very different in Africa from the western world. Western volunteers may choose to sacrifice or go without some desired career or possessions, but an African volunteer, often unemployed, shares 50% of the basics of life: his/her lunch, or a bar of soap. We have featured two volunteers on pages 8 and 9 and listed as many of these unassuming, caring community members as we could on pages 12 and 13. In 2007, former HOPE for AIDS coordinator Russell Pratt initiated an evaluation of the program. Its conclusions became the objectives of the subsequent five-year strategic plan. This means we:

- continue to strengthen the H O P & E ministries with resources and management capacity building
- begin to develop income-generating initiatives
- determine principles of ethics related to HIV & AIDS

**Today** the world is affected by a global financial crisis. But God remains Jehovah Jireh, and is eternally trustworthy. In 1930, during the height of the Great Depression in the United States, one of SIM's founders, Rowland Bingham, urged us to press on, not to hold back. Today is no different. We must press on, trusting God to guide us and provide as we proclaim the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ in love to the countless thousands suffering from HIV & AIDS, as well as from financial fallout.

Thank you for your partnership.



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Better a little with righteousness than much gain with injustice. Prov 16:8

### **HIV&AIDS & INCOME GENERATION**

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- 3. The transformation lens: Opportunity International
- 4. Appropriate technology
- 5. Making it known Advocacy around treatment issues: pediatric medications
- 6. Tip of the Month Monitoring & evaluation: stakeholder participation

While recently visiting Malawi and Kenya I was reminded again of the complexity of HIV&AIDS and the diversity of approaches required to make an impact at a national, community, family and personal level. Income generating activities are a very necessary part of the continuum of responses needed to manage hardship. This can be as simple as low maintenance home gardens providing much needed nutritional support for people living with HIV&AIDS. Sadly however, many income generating projects are stunted due to management issues and marketing experiences. What is working well in your setting? We welcome your tips.

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# 1. BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS: ACTS OF BEAUTY, ACTS OF HUMANITY-

There were glimmers of beauty in your tears of shame that fell like silver that fell like rain a jar is broken pouring out its all into this story, history our story, her story, preparing for death pleading for life with a fragrance that makes hard places grow soft, by calling for mercy from those keeping the score from those counting the cost from those knowing the law.

But a heart stripped naked is revealing real truth that runs deeper and cleaner than shame or profanity, it's revealing a beauty, the divine-broken image in one woman's humanity. For Reflection and Discussion:

Read Mark 14:1-11

- The women with the jar of expensive perfume "did a beautiful thing" (14:6) by "doing what she could" (14:8). This however was not considered appropriate behaviour by some of those present. In what ways do you observe followers of Jesus in your setting "doing what they can" to honour Jesus? To what extent are they criticized? Is this justified? Why or why not?
- 2. Describe examples when you felt that God's resources were being inappropriately used or wasted (14:4.5). What criteria should be used to judge the right use of resources?
- What practical suggestions do you have for better using resources according to the values of God's kingdom at:
  - a. An individual and family level
  - b. Within the church
  - c. Within the community
  - d. A global level

The poem, *Acts of Beauty, Acts of Humanity* is contributed by Kristin Jack, susan\_kristin@yahoo.com Servants Cambodia and participant in the Micah Network Forum www.micahnetwork.org

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family of more than 40 projects spanning 12 countries in Africa and India. The majority of the work in these programs is done through the time and commitment of the nearly

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It is a privilege for me to join HOPE for AIDS and to be able to work as part of such a commi ious project managers have put together the en passion and commitment of all the teams. The d hours of volunteer labour, given in love, to h need shine through. So many thousands of peopl no doubt hundreds of thousands are indirectly small proportion of the many thousands of youn HIV/ AIDS change their behaviour and avoid the been spared the terrible anguish.

Of course the world never stands still, and ne ral (ARV) medications and the profound effect t effects of HIV & AIDS creates an increasing nee ed to rebuild their lives as independent membe HOPE for AIDS project has included "Income Gen work. This recognises the growing need to help break the poverty cycle, and underlines our ai

Looking to the challenge ahead, I am reminded said that he was only able to achieve what he shoulders of giants". By this he meant that th fore him were critical to his achievements. As it is with humility and respect for the great us, and also with excitement at the opportunit lives of so many marginalised people.

Thank you Edwin Porter as the new International Coordinator, tted, devoted and hard working team. VaRclosed reports, which reflect the comedication, hard work, and the countless elp those people who are desperately in e are directly helped by the program and affected. As an example, even if only a g people who have been educated about disease, many lives, and families, have

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of a famous quote. Sir Isaac Newton once did because he was "standing on the e contributions of many, many people bewe, as a team, look to the coming year quality of the work that has gone before ies that exist to make a difference in the P A G E 0 8 9

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By Prayer

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our trouble, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God." II Cor. 1:3.4

While we pray earnestly for the many needs of those who are suffering because of HIV, let us not forget to include the host of God's servants who are tenderly compassionately caring for the sick and suffering. We can also pray that those in the Body of Christ who have not yet entered this godly service would become involved. We who represent Christ to the world are His extended hands and hearts to those who so desperately need to know His love and care. The church has tremendous capacity to change the face of HIV and AIDS as it engages with the situation with all the power and authority given by Jesus under the direction of the Holy Spirit. Ours is the privilege of praying for this potential energy to be put into action.

Story One: Jane noticed that many women in her church were struggling financially as many are HIV positive and have no one to support them. After some training as an AIDS Educator, she decided to call them together to offer some training and assistance to begin a beadwork income generating project. As they talked together she was hearing stories of gross injustice especially to the children, so she volunteered to be a child human rights advocate in her community. One recent evening she was called to help 3 children who had been abused and abandoned. With nowhere else to take them at that time of day, she took them home to stay with her own family until she could find a suitable and safe place for them a few days later. Along with her women's group and some other women in the church, she is now looking for a way to begin a feeding program for the many hungry children in her community. Jane and her church are making a difference in that community.

 Jane's first step in beginning to minister to the needs in her community began with her observation of the need of some women in her church. She then allowed the need to affect her own heart with compassion. Pray for the Lord to show you and others in your church His heart of compassion. Pray to see the needs that God might want you to begin addressing, which may not be so obvious at first. Matt. 9:36 2. The next step was to not only educate herself about HIV, but to prepare herself to better communicate and educate others both in her church and in her women's group. Pray for the way forward to prepare yourself and your church with appropriate training in order to minister to the needs you are called to meet and to motivate and train others. Pray that the Lord would give you the words to speak as you meet with church leaders to adequately explain your vision. Pray also for the wisdom to clearly articulate the way forward to enact the vision and draw others into the plan. Exodus 3:15-20

3. There are usually many needs that seem very urgent and pressing, but Jane chose to start by addressing just one need at a time. Pray for guidance and wisdom to know where to begin and which need to tackle. Then pray that the Lord would show you how to begin helping to meet that one need. II Chronicles 1:10

4. While administering God's love through her income-generating project, Jane remained observant and receptive, allowing other needs to touch her listening, already sensitized heart. With empathy and the power of the Lord she was able to speak out boldly to advocate for the children who needed someone to help them. Pray today for the Lord to give you a listening heart, boldness and His divine empowerment to speak out and act on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves. Pray that your church and community group would be emboldened to stand up for those who need an advocate for justice, fairness and action. Acts 4:23-30

5. Going the extra mile, Jane chose to get personally involved and was willing to be inconvenienced in order to care for the children whose needs had been brought to her attention. Pray that God's grace would enable you to accept the inconveniences of ministry for the sake of those whose needs often seem to happen at inopportune times. Pray that others in your church would join you in stepping in and helping with those needs that require urgent attention. II Tim. 1:8-12

6. Even with simple efforts, other issues surface that also require attention. This is how larger programs develop with greater community participation. Pray that the Lord would prepare your heart and increase your capacity to demonstrate His love in as many ways as He directs. Pray that your church would be supportive and willing to participate in these efforts in order to reach out further to extend the Love of Christ in effective and practical ways to those with HIV. I Chronicles 4:9,10

7. The several ministries in this story began with one individual. What about you and your church? Pray today that the Lord would give you a specific ministry. Pray also that your church would become mobilized to help those affected by HIV in your community. Pray for God's plan and His resources and power to enable you and your church. Write down the ministry vision you are given as you pray, and share it with receptive and supportive leaders in your church or community. Then implement the plan under the enablement of the Holy Spirit. Do not hesitate to ask for an accountability partner in its implementation. Note Moses' prayer in Exodus 33:12-17

Story Two: Martha lives in a large slum where a disproportionate number of people with HIV live. Her church had just begun a program of outreach by providing food for the needy. As she walked to market and church she frequently noted a woman in her mid thirties who always looked dirty, disheveled and downcast. She seemed to be growing thinner and more sickly each week. One day Martha stopped and greeted her and introduced herself. She invited her to come to the food bank at the church the next Sunday and directed her to a clinic where she could receive free care, even offering to go with her. It was then Martha learned that she had been sleeping in the latrines for shelter at night because she did not have any place to live. With help from the church, Martha assisted her to locate an affordable room and provided some money to help set up housekeeping there.

This widowed, childless woman had been so alienated from her family, church and community back home that she found it hard to believe that anyone, much less a total stranger, would care enough to help her. With continued friendship and involvement in the HIV support group that Martha had organized, this new friend began to believe in a God of love, One who might even care about her. She wanted to know more, and began attending church regularly. Her health improved with regular access to good care, her hope returned and her faith was restored. Her very countenance was remarkably changed. Once again she is working to support herself, although times are still difficult. Now, with the support of the church, she is struggling to break a longstanding addiction to alcohol.

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straightforward problem in the community: hunger. In this way they showed themselves to be a serving and compassionate church. They had found a way to connect to the community. Pray that God would show your church how to connect with the felt needs of your community. Pray that through meeting a specific need, church members will find their own unique ways to show Christ's love to those who may already have lost faith in a loving God. Pray that your church would be a connecting church. A great example of community accomplishment was the construction of the Lord's Tabernacle (Ex.35:10,20,34,35; 36:6,7), in which everyone participated and there was more than enough.

9. Pray that you and others in your church would be courageous enough to reach out with compassion to strangers in need. Watch and pray for opportunities to help those in need in order to reveal the compassion of the Lord. The stranger can become a friend, and the friend can become a brother or sister in the Lord. Pray that your church would find ways to offer friendship to those who need it most, yet are not receiving it anywhere else. Heb. 13:1-3

10. Are there people that you see who have obvious needs? Are any sick, hungry, overburdened with care for family members, abandoned, or in despair? Pray for their needs to be met. Pray for the development of home-based care programs and for volunteers to offer practical helps like cooking, helping with child care, carrying water or finding firewood, bathing those too sick to do it for themselves, cleaning a messy house or dirty compound, etc. As you pray for those who need help, pray that the Lord would show you what your role should be. Gal. 6:2, John 13:34

11. Helping people to connect with organizations that can provide the assistance they need may be exactly what the Lord requires of you. There is no one individual, church or organization that can provide for all the needs of people struggling with HIV-related issues. Therefore pray that members of our church communities would be able to make appropriate referrals to other health care and service agencies as part of a wholistic ministry. Pray that churches would be willing to become involved in helping those with HIV to learn about and connect to the services that may be available to them. Pray that church members would take the time to learn how to interact with those agencies. Nehemiah asked the king for referral letters to get the help he needed (Neh. 2:7-9) and it was perceived to be God's provision, that the project might be completed.

12. Pray for wisdom to know how to help the homeless. Who are the homeless? Outcasts from the community, street children, people who have lost jobs and support, widows who have been abandoned by their families, young men and women estranged from their families for various reasons, etc. Pray about what you and your church can do to make a difference in the lives of even a few people. Can you help to locate affordable housing? Offer rental or food assistance? Provide transport for clinic visits? Or even offer your own home for hospitality? Isaiah 25:4

13. Pray that the gospel would be made tangible enough for even the most embittered to see and feel God's love. Titus 2:10. So many people living with HIV have been betrayed or mistreated by those who were closest to them, such that they no longer dare to trust anyone, including God. Pray that those receiving ministry would be able to respond to God's love and grace and would be restored to fellowship with the Father and with the Body of Christ. Psalm 91

14. Pray that God's people would stand by those in need even when they have not totally reformed. Jesus died for us when we were yet sinners. Pray that the body of Christ would offer the same grace that Jesus demonstrated, restoring dignity to those who feel deprived of theirs. Pray for patience, endurance and steadfastness in ministry to those who struggle with these issues. John 8:3-11

Story Three: A few years ago Florence had a tremendous burden to help the women in her community who were infected with HIV. However she had no support from her church or community to do much. She attended a few training sessions on HIV and AIDS to educate herself. After some careful preparations she then called the pastors in her church's region along with the bishop for an HIV awareness seminar. Fortunately the bishop and several of the pastors were very receptive and gave her their moral support and permission to use the church facilities to host support groups for people living with HIV. Without any outside funding she gave her time tirelessly to meet with those in her community who were living with HIV and to invite them to come to the church once a month for mutual support

and encouragement. As they shared their struggles together, she realized that they needed more help than she alone could provide. So she began looking around for other individuals and organizations with whom they could network for the help they needed. From that early personal passion and humble beginning she now oversees a project that hosts regular support oroups in 17 church districts and has assisted a network of 70 volunteer health workers to be trained and empowered to serve over 600 adults and 1500 vulnerable children using local resources. The project now pays school fees for 300 children and assists 20 child-headed households. These ecumenical support aroups, composed of both men and women along with some children living with HIV, represent a wide variety of churches and even include a few Muslims who participate together, even in some spiritual activities. The community now recognizes their efforts with respect and occasional financial support.

15. There is great wisdom in educating yourself first about HIV and AIDS before you try to help those who are living with the realities of this infection. What training do you or those in your church or community need to seek in order to better understand the situation and to know how to help? Pray for opportunities for training, both for yourself and for fellow church or community members in order to be adequately prepared for effective ministry. Even though training may seem inconvenient or expensive, it will pay off in the long run. Also ask the King of Kings for the resources you need to do His bidding and He will gladly provide. Luke 6:39,40

16. The important role of pastors and church leaders cannot be underestimated. They can facilitate a workable project just by agreeing with it or they can doom it by their opposition. Pray that those exerting leadership in Christ's Body would embrace the idea of ministering to those who are suffering, and then be willing to engage both themselves and their congregations in this service. Where the leadership is committed to AIDS-related ministry, members are released in ministry to express their own creativity and passion for those suffering from or because of HIV. Pray for involved congregations to be empowered and to provide community leadership. Il Tim. 2:1,2

17. In many of our settings we have limited financial resources. However the Church is rich in human

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resources. As God gives you vision, pray for the ability to share His vision in a compelling way in order to effectively motivate the kind of volunteers that you will need. Pray for willing and committed volunteers to come forward. The most sustainable programs today are ones in which volunteers from the affected community see the importance of taking up the challenge, take "ownership" of the project, and become committed to see it through to completion. Matt.9:37

18. In church-initiated projects, networking with other agencies (for training, funding, and technical assistance) is often key to success. Each agency, organization and church has its own strengths, all of which are essential for a complete ministry package. Pray that you may discover other groups having similar interests for helping people living with HIV. Then, as you begin creating linkages with these other groups, pray for God's blessings on your collaborative relationships. In this way you can maximize the combined synergies of these groups. Rom. 12:4-8

19. People living with HIV are themselves a resource and can do amazing things if pulled together and given encouragement. There are few groups of people more committed to mitigating the effect of AIDS than those who are already living with the virus. They are also the most intimately acquainted with and knowledgeable about the complex web of AIDS issues. Prav for more church projects to incorporate people living with HIV into the planning and implementation of their AIDS ministries. Pray for these volunteers to have the strength, health and empowerment to continue. Pray for harmonious working relationships between the infected and non-infected volunteers so that Christ may be alorified in their unity and so that program outreach and ministry goals may be reached. Eph. 4:15.16: Ps.133

20. Large resources are often not needed to start something significant, but frequently resources are needed to maintain and expand a project. Pray that your group may identify income-generating activities that can help generate needed revenue for the project while also building group unity as they work together towards common goals. Pray for creativity to be released and for each individual group member to discover and utilize his/her specials gifts. Also pray for financial networking with community agencies that are willing to help in this way, and that and are looking for credible and transparent partners to help with the work. Ps.68:7-10; I Tim.6:17-19 21. Hosting and encouraging support groups is a valid form of ministry outreach for churches that seriously seek to do the work of the Father. People living with HIV need to feel loved and cared for as much as anyone else, vet find few places where that need can be met. Such ministry is a way to demonstrate the nature and character of God through caring actions that draw people from all backgrounds closer to knowing Him. Pray that more churches would open their hearts and their doors to HIV support groups. Prav in addition that some would consider the special needs of children and youth, who need their own support groups because they often have unique needs that must be addressed in order for them to not just cope, but in fact to grow, thrive and develop into the people that God created them to be. Is. 1:15-17, Phil. 2:1-5

Story Four: In a rural area three young professionals, Solomon, Macdon, and Hudson, began meeting regularly to pray together with a few other committed Christian men. These men were very concerned about the conditions in their communities and the lethargy of churches in the area. They were praying for revival and renewal in their churches and community. As they looked around they saw many houses that were in disrepair, a high unemployment rate, rampant alcohol and drug abuse, domestic violence and rising crime. In addition, HIV was spreading rapidly through the area. There were few clinics or health centers and the combination of poverty and poor primary education kept most children from entering secondary school.

After some few years of regular, faithful prayer, Solomon was led to suggest that they begin a ministry to help all of the churches in a specific community to become involved in addressing some of the area's problems. Together with a few other praying friends they sent out a call for intercessors, visiting as many area churches as possible and explaining their vision. The volunteer intercessors were then organized into small neighborhood and community groups, meeting weekly to pray for specific community needs. Some of these prayer groups started seeing amazing results: the sick were healed, farm production increased, there was a drop in crime, and business in the markets improved.

As they prayed for people who were suffering from HIV and other problems, they were inspired to begin a nursery school to help at risk children become better prepared for primary school. Later a primary school was started and now a secondary school is being developed. A small building on donated land was repaired and made into a small clinic that charged a small fee sufficient for employing a qualified nurse. That clinic has now grown into a health center with several trained staff. The group negotiated an agreement with a local bank for a collective loan to help smallscale farmers access enough money for adequate farm inputs. The money could be paid back after the harvest. God honored their intercessions and blessed their efforts. The farmers reaped a bountiful harvest and paid back the entire loan in less than a vear. at a time when the rest of the country was suffering from an extended drought. A large crime ring was apprehended and the community now lives in peace. A locally supported orphan project is assisting a large number of AIDS orphans with school fees. These transformational developments are widely acknowledaed in the community as having originated from the growth of prayer groups and the surge in intensified, intercessorv pravers.

22. What problems exist in your community? Today ask the Lord to show you which issues you and your church should begin to address in concerted prayer. Listen for God to reveal the concerns that are near and dear to His heart in your community. Look for the things that touch God's heart in your community and church; and pray about the issues that He reveals to you. Psalm 143:7,8

23. Who can join you as you pray over the issues that God has put on your heart concerning those who are suffering in your community? Pray that God would reveal to you the people He would like you to invite into this labor of prayer. Ask that the Holy Spirit would prepare them for this act of service. Be committed and determined to sustain the prayer effort for as long as it takes until God's transforming interventions are seen. Jer. 29:11-14a; John 7:37,38

24. As you pray together, ask God to reveal His vision for the transformation of your community. What things might God show your group that He is calling you to do something about? Make a list of those things. Then pray for God's wisdom and direction as you ask Him to show you how to begin. Pray for the courage, strength and resources necessary to obediently implement the vision that God has given you. Zechariah 7:8

25. What are the most pressing economic needs in your community? Pray for those needs, for people and families you know who are struggling financially, and for possible poverty reduction ideas. Is there

something your prayer group can do? Pray for the vulnerable children, the widows, the elderly who are caring for sick children and orphaned grandchildren, and for those who are too sick or disabled to earn their own living. Ask God to show your group how it can minister to them. Psalm 113:5-8

26. Consider the educational standards in your community. Does every child have access to a good education? Are you satisfied with the educational standards in your community? Pray particularly for the children from homes where someone has HIV, as very often these are the children who are least likely to finish even a primary education. Pray that families and guardians would have adequate resources to complete their children's education. Pray that schools would be adequately funded and that community interest in education would be sufficient to maintain high standards in its schools. Pray that young adults would have sufficient access to educational and jobs skills training opportunities to enable them to support themselves and their developing families. Pray about enabling community members to obtain skills that will benefit and develop the entire community. Prov.3:13-20

27. Who are the sick in your community? Are there disabled persons who need prayer and assistance as a reflection of Jesus' compassion? Does your community need eye programs, access to wheelchairs and orthopedic appliances, etc. so that sight can be restored and the lame helped to walk? Pray that the poor would have equal access to the higher levels of care when needed. Pray that programs and clinics providing HIV prevention and treatment services would continue to receive the resources needed to continue providing care. Pray that treatment support programs, together with community and family members, would provide the encouragement needed to enable those living with HIV to adhere to their treatment regimes so they will live full and normal lives. Pray that those living with constant insecurity would know the protection of the Lord and the community. Pray that those suffering from oppression would have advocates to defend them, that national legal systems

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would defend the cause of the defenseless, that police and judicial systems would not prey on those of low estate but would uphold peace and justice, and that those who have been imprisoned unjustly would be set free. What can you do to add flesh to your prayers? Luke 4:16-21

28. Pray for unity of heart and purpose to build cooperation and achieve outstanding accomplishments among all believers in your community regardless of denominational affiliation. Each member of Christ's body has been given a unique gift, skill or ability that will contribute to developing the entire community. Pray that each one would know and use his or her God-given talents in a way that helps to establish God's Kingdom more tangibly and firmly in your community, as united together they fight the stigma and destruction of HIV and minister effectively to those infected or affected by HIV. Pray that such unity would be a powerful witness to the glory of God, His kingdom and His Son. John 17:20-23; Eph. 2:19-22



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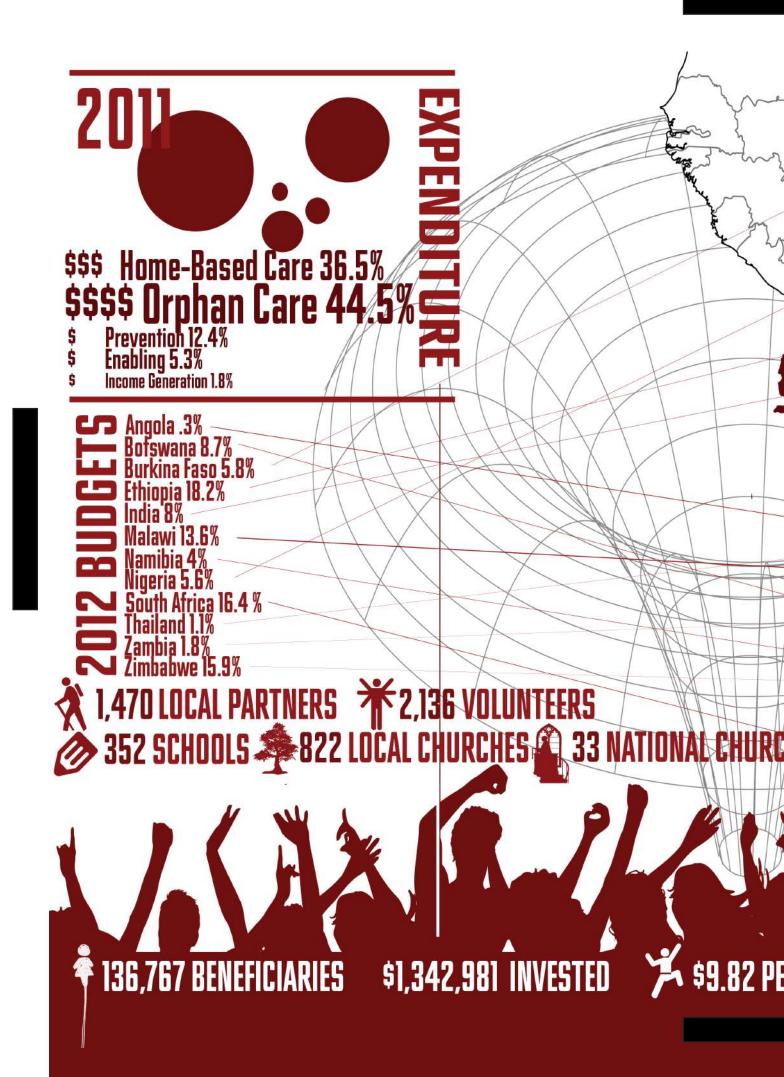






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VOLUNTEERS

PREVENTION RECIPIENTS

STAFF

GOVERNMENT PARTNERS

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY PARTNERS

LOCAL CHURCH PARTNERS

TRAINED TEAMERS

TEAM TOTALS

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Dear Reader,

What is "AIDS ministry" in the post Millennium Development Goals era? How o prevention look like? How do we function with reduced financial resources? Wh

After 15 years of working and evolving with the AIDS story around the world, w gency of AIDS has given way to long-term lifestyle management. Some implicat gration, mainstreaming of programs, and the impact of chronic disease managem address larger issues of life, such as sexuality, discrimination, family life, orphan would remain attentive to the needs and opportunities as we serve those who are

We praise God for the great progress that is being made on the African continent on the ground. We also look with a concerned eye at some of the trends emerging try in the greater region. Pray with us for clear vision and inspiration on good par

A new record has been set this past year: prevention education recipients make u volved in Home Based Care and Orphan Care, resulting in over 2,000 people rec 4000 individuals have benefited from our Enabling programs as well. What an ar many different ways!

Will you join me in prayer for the projects as they seek new ways towards financ pray that all the beneficiaries will experience Christ's love for them this year?

On behalf of all of the teams, staff and volunteers, as well as the beneficiaries, I t blessing to you this year as well!

In His service and for HOPE for AIDS,

Marcus Baeder International HOPE for AIDS Coordinator can we continue to care for those infected and affected by HIV? What should at does the gospel mean in light the evolving nature of HIV and AIDS ministry?

the at HOPE for AIDS are asking these questions and many more. The acute emertions of this shift include financial sustainability, local partnerships, local intetent. This ministry has provided an opening for churches and organisations to support, social concern, social activism, and many more. Pray with us that we impacted by HIV in their personal lives and communities.

and the lives that have been saved and improved through the efforts of the teams g in Asia. We are evaluating an increased involvement with HIV and AIDS minisths to take in new initiatives and new partnerships.

p 96.8 percent of all our beneficiaries, or 688,279 individuals! We are still ineiving care in their home, and over 15,000 orphans receiving assistance. Over nazing reason to be grateful to our Lord, as our teams have shared His love in

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hank you for your prayers and support over the past year! May Christ's love be a







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THE HOPE FOR AIDS TEAM IN THAILAND HAS DESIGNED AND IMPLEMENTED CREATIVE HIV PREVENTION STRATEGIES AND MODELS THAT ACTIVELY PROMOTE CARE AND DESTIGMATIZA-TION. THEY WORK TO REDUCE THE INCIDENCES OF A SYMP-TOM OF BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS, NAMELY, HIV AND AIDS. BY PARTNERING WITH LOCAL AGENCIES, THEY PROVIDE HOLISTIC TRAINING FOR FAITH LEADERS IN THE ART OF RESPONDING TO THE HIV PHENOMENON WITH THE PEOPLE LIVING IN THAILAND. WITH AN EMPHASIS ON COMMUNITY VALUES, THE TEAM WORKS TO RESTORE STRONG RELATIONSHIPS IN THE SELF, FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND COUNTRY.

LOCAL WORKERS VISIT NEIGHBORS REGULARLY TO PROVIDE HOME-BASED CARE. THEY MEET WITH TEENS TO PLAY SOCCER AND ENCOURAGE MENTORSHIP AND POSITIVE DECISION-MAK-ING. WHEN IT COMES TO TRAINING LOCAL LEADERS, THEY ARE GATHERING MISSION COMMUNITIES, PASTORS (FROM THAILAND AND BURMA), INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES.







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Home-Based Care 2,567 Orphan Care 15,852 Prevention 686,279 Enabling 4,138 Attend Support Groups 1,738 Receive HIV Testing 663 Receive Counseling 13,916 Home-Based Care \$95.93 OVC \$24.95 Prevention \$0.18 Enabling \$23.53

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