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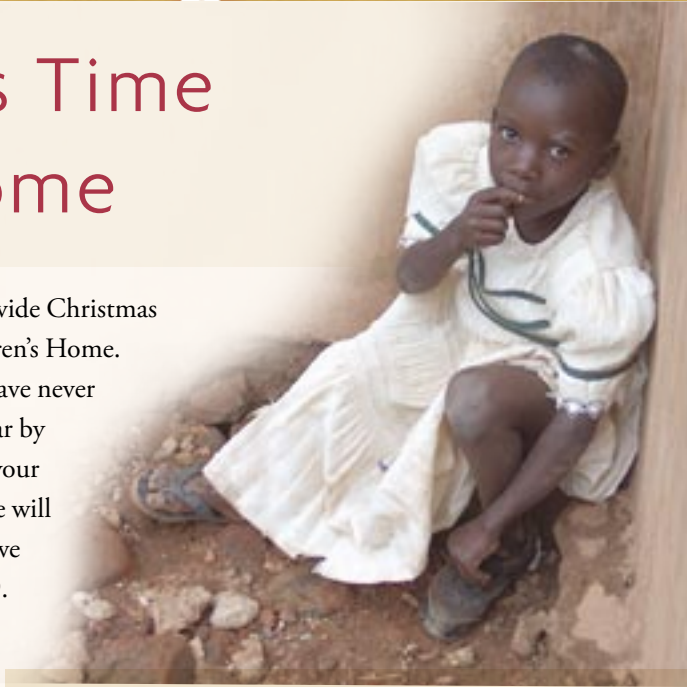
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Reaching Out

Be a Part of Christmas Time at Hope Children's Home

It is almost Christmas time and we have the honor of being able to provide Christmas presents for close to 60 children and another 15 adult staff at Hope Children's Home. Our desire is to bless these children in a big way this year. Some of them have never received a Christmas present in their lives. We want to change that this year by providing each child with a new toy, shoes and clothes. We are asking for your support to help accomplish this goal. We will also have a party for the children when we arrive in late December with a team of 9. We estimate the cost of providing these gifts and party at approximately \$2000. Would you help us make this the best Christmas these kids have ever seen? You can donate by sending a check to Show Mercy International, PO Box 607, Albany, Oregon 97322. You can also donate with a credit card by visiting our website at www.showmercy.org. You can also call us at 541-905-0791. We have all been so blessed in this country. Please consider blessing those who are not as fortunate as ourselves. All donations are tax deductible.



On behalf of the Board of Directors of Show Mercy International and the children that we are serving...

We would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas. We are very thankful for the assistance that you have given in providing love and resources for the orphans and the widows that we serve. We pray that this will be your best Christmas ever.

Mike and Lori Salley, *Founders*



As you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me.

Sorry About Your Shoes

By Susan Stubbs

(Excerpt from future Show Mercy International Uganda Missions Director)



Oh where does this letter find you friends?

Sitting at your kitchen table, bent over your desk piled with too much mail to read, reading yet another missionaries prayer letter? I have put those letters down and walked away encouraged at what the people were doing, but yet discouraged too. How easy it is to create for you a picture of grass huts and naked tribal people, snake stories and dangerous diseases and you will feel that your day is suddenly mundane! THAT is why I hesitate to write to you, but I am over that now! Each and every one of you are standing here living and breathing this with us as you pray for us and support us financially. So, it is time to share with you freely! When we feed an orphan, and you feed your child lunch, we are loving Jesus together and doing what He has set in front of us as our act of worship to Him. When we smile and stop for the beggar and you smile and stop for your co-worker, we are loving Jesus together and doing what He has set in front of us as our act of worship to Him. When I give a cup of rice, it is rice from YOU and I, because your money was here to buy it and your prayers have sustained us here to give it.



This last week has been a heart stopping roller coaster of emotions for us. At the end of one particularly long day, after working by flashlight on Anton's broken and bleeding body, I was ready to go home. I was covered in his body fluids and drenched with sweat. A group of very poor people gathered to walk me to my car. We had prayed and prayed and bandaged him up and feed him capfuls of water until we thought he could make it through the night and I could return the next day. As if left and slipped on my sandals, a young girl stood watching me struggle to get my dirty feet in the straps. I saw her eyes and asked her if she had any shoes. She said, "No", and from the looks of her, she had no dinner either, but at that moment, I had no food or money, but I had shoes. I would not have told you this story, except for the fact that I realized that these shoes I was putting on my feet were "your shoes", in reality, "you" had paid for them. After years and years of living on support, every single thing we have is from the hand of God through His people. SO, I gave away your shoes, you would have done it too. The next day, after returning to this shelter and holding Anton for 6 hours, it was time to go home again, time to return to my hot running water and antibacterial soap. As I stood at the doorway, twenty or so people gathered around, sharing the story amongst themselves of how you and I had given our shoes away the night before. A pastor was standing there smiling, he had prayed and sang with me for the last few hours as we tried to comfort Anton. He watched me put on my

shoes. "Do YOU need shoes?"

I asked him. He giggled a "yes" and I bent down and strapped "your shoes" on his ragged feet.

I hope you don't mind, but it is getting more and more fun

to give all your stuff away. God plays an impossible game of tag, you simply cannot out give Him, He will always win.

Anton tried to hold on to life until the flight that we had arranged for him back to his interior village could leave, but only 8 hours before the airplane would have returned him to die among his family, he slipped out of his paralyzed, rotting, incredibly sick body and instantly stepped into the fierce embrace of His nail scared Savior. You could almost hear the dancing in heaven that night.

Only days before it had been a VERY different scenario for me. I had sat in a different tiny house, across town, leaning against a hot corrugated tin wall. I watched as a family prepared the body of a 26 year old pregnant woman for burial. The process was complicated and I was not allowed to help with the work and defile the body, as it was being prepared to meet Allah. This family's grief was intense. At one point the mom could not watch the body being ceremoniously washed in the back yard, underneath the spicket that was used for everything from washing dishes to watering the hens. She stumbled back into

the room and sat close to me and sobbed. The water was flowing out into the dirt packed front yard, and under the plastic chairs of all the veiled women gathered to mourn. I sat there alone with this broken woman and

In June of 2007, Brian and Susan Stubbs will become Show Mercy Internationals on-site, Uganda Mission Directors.

put my hands on her and sang over her, a song of HIM, and let the Holy Spirit do His work. She instantly stopped crying.

"Just" the mention of His name can quiet the deepest grief! What a mystery!

"Just" a squalling baby in the hay and the entire world is given HOPE. What a mystery!

THANK YOU for being here with us. These are very exciting times, there are more opportunities to share the love of Jesus than EVER before. Our time left here is getting short, and we still have BAGS of seed to plant before we go!!!!



*"If you can't feed
one hundred people,
then feed just one."*

- Mother Teresa

A Testimony of Joy

July 11, 2006

Dear Lori and Mike,

Praise God, I am by the names of Phoebe Nakato aged 70. The subject of this letter is to say thanks for the support you give to my grand daughters and son. I have eleven children but seven died and now I have four surprisingly the ones that died are the ones that had the ability to support me and their fellows. It as a great challenge to me because they left orphans, I remained in charge of them yet I wasn't capable because I had no job, and I had out any source of income. This means that these orphans had to just sit hence being denied their right to education not because I never wanted them to go to school but because I was financially bad off.

To worsen the situation, sometimes we could spend a day without food, sometimes we could even spend a night too without food. Even we could by chance eat jackfruit only and we could call it a day. The day when we could eat posho and beans was seen as a miracle sincerely it was a sad moment and a challenge to me. They could ask me for food and this could push me in shedding tears as it could remind me of the good moments I used to have when my children were still alive.

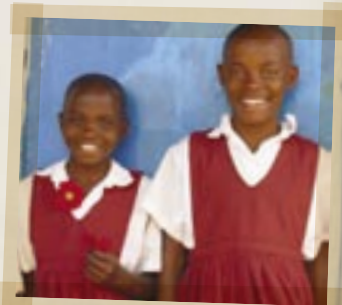
I couldn't dress them since the little money I got could be budgeted and targeted to posho. They were miserable and ever unhappy.

I want to thank you because ever since you began show mercy ministry, my children are the happiest. I am also happy because I no longer get tension of feeding and looking after children.

My grandchildren are now more healthier than before, they dress so well, they feed so well and now the moments of shedding tears changed to smiles and happiness.

I also thank you because you employed my granddaughter Noeline. Thank you so much, thank you for loving our children and for meeting all their basic necessities. May God bless you so much.

Yours,
Phoebe Nakato



Teachers at Hope Children's Home

Sponsor a Teacher— Educate a Child

Many of you have expressed a desire to help some of the adults that are working with the children at Hope Children's Home. One good way of doing this is through the monthly sponsorship of one of the school teachers that Show Mercy has hired to teach at the Alpha and Omega primary school. This school is located in the church building on the same property as Hope Children's Home. We have made a commitment to continue to work towards increasing the salaries of the people that are pouring their lives and love into our kids on a daily basis.

Not only is Show Mercy providing the education for the 58 children who live at Hope Children's Home, but we have also welcomed additional children from the local village into this school. These children are not all orphans, but come from very poor families that are unable afford to pay for their children's education. Quite a few of them have lost their parents but are living with either relatives or caring neighbors. We are feeding all of them breakfast and lunch and they hang out at the home most days.

Would you consider sponsoring one of our teachers? For a monthly sponsorship of \$50/month, you can be the one that is enables us to provide a bright future for the next generation in Uganda.

Reaching out in Love... One Child at a Time

Join us in Uganda - Summer 2007

Many of you have asked about our Summer Missions trip to Uganda and we are glad to finally be able to provide you with exact dates and costs for this trip. We have had tremendous interest in this trip so we secured 25 seats on American Airlines round trip from Portland to Entebbe, Uganda. This is a heavy travel time to Uganda and seats are very difficult to find and very costly. We were thrilled to be able to secure these seats while keeping the cost of the trip comparable to the other trips that we have in the past. Because of the limitations in the availability of the seats, we will be able to confirm the cost and availability for the first 25 people that submit their names and deposit for this trip.

The Facts

Dates: Leaving Portland on June 17, 2007 at 7:50am, arriving in Uganda June 18th at 10:10pm. We will leave Uganda on June 29th at 11:10pm and be returning to Portland on June 30th at 9:25pm.

Cost: \$3000 which will include, RT Airfare from Portland, Hotel Accommodations for 11 nights, Breakfast and Dinner while in Uganda, Bottled Drinking Water, Ground Transportation, Visa Fees, and Misc. Administrative fees.

We will most likely eat at the Children's Homes for lunch which will be of no cost to you as well. The only expenses you can expect are any traveling expenses while enroute and any souvenirs that you would purchase while in Uganda.

Payment Schedules

March 1st, 2007- \$500

nonrefundable deposit is due. Checks should be made out to Show Mercy International and mailed to PO Box 607, Albany, Oregon 97321. (Credit cards may be used to pay for this trip, but a 2% fee will be added to the total charge.)

May 1st, 2007- \$1500 nonrefundable payment is due.

June 1st, 2007- \$1000 payment due.



How You Can Partner with Show Mercy

Your financial contributions enable us to continue providing monthly support to the children that we are currently responsible for. We supply all of the physical needs of many children every month including food, clothing, medical care and education. Below are a few of the many items that we purchase to provide for these children. You can join us by making a monthly, tax deductible contribution that will be used to purchase these and other items for these children. We will also planning to expand our current operations in the near future to serve even more children. With your support we can make those plans a reality. Please consider helping us show mercy to those who so desperately need it.

\$45 = 220 lbs of Beans



\$35 = 110 lbs of Rice



\$20 a year = School Supplies for a Child



\$15 = Pair of Shoes



\$50 a month = Firewood for Cooking




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