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Dear Friends and Supporters,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Uganda staff, our ministry partner, Hope Partners Africa, and the children in our program, we thank you for your unwavering support of the ministry. In 2023 your generosity made a significant impact providing hope and stability to the children we serve. We are grateful for these accomplishments:





- 944 children are benefitting from our program, and a record-breaking
 139 new children were sponsored!
- An amazing 36 sponsored students who are prepared to impact their communities for Christ graduated from university and vocational school, adding to over 175 graduates from our program. Currently there are 60 more in university and 29 in vocational school.
- Despite global challenges and high inflation, your generous giving enabled the schools and caregivers to afford the extra cost of food.
- Education is the cornerstone of the ministry. Our devoted staff successfully managed our highly acclaimed and fully accredited Christian schools - three primary and one secondary - ensuring a robust foundation for academic success.
- Essential medical care was a priority, and caregivers and students were equipped with crucial knowledge and skills on how to prevent and treat various diseases, with special attention to malaria, typhoid, and other contagious diseases.
- Sponsored children received mentorship through Bible studies and two high school conferences. Thanks to a mission team's support, every child received a personal Bible, as well as Bibles for our school libraries.
- We are thrilled to announce that "Rooted", our new two-month discipleship program focusing on living as a disciple of Jesus for students transitioning from high school to university, was so impactful it will continue in 2024.
- The Health Outreach program played a vital role providing children with access to dental, hearing, visual, nutrition, and mental health services.
 In addition, along with the children's guardians, communities benefited from health screenings and outreach.
- Four mission teams visited Uganda, ministering to children, guardians, and staff. Each team, leveraging their unique skills, brought the hope of Jesus to our communities. They also provided practical assistance, offering training, teaching sewing skills, and facilitating connections between children and their sponsors.



- Our financial accountability saw significant strides, with our Ugandan partner, Hope Partners Africa, receiving an unqualified opinion on their 2022 audit report. Living Hope for Children maintains exemplary ratings from charity assessment organizations.
- Your generous Christmas donations ensured every child in our program received a gift, and struggling families received food. Additionally, we successfully met the \$37,500 match for our year-end fundraiser!

As we begin our 20th anniversary of ministry, 2024 is off to a strong start:

- Elementary and high school students will begin their school year on February 5th. Please pray for a smooth transition back to school, for each child to learn their scholastic materials well, and for them to grow in their understanding of God.
- Mission teams are already headed to Uganda, beginning this month! Email us at info@livinghopeforchildren.org for more information.
- Plans are in the final stages for constructing our new high school in Rubanda for our current 334 high schoolers. This expansion will accommodate the growing number of high school students, ensuring ample space for their education and upcoming student enrollment.
- Mark your calendars! For those in the Chicago area, our first golf outing will be held on August 24th. Details to come.

God continues to bless our ministry daily. Through your generous support, all these achievements are made possible. We express gratitude to God for you, our valued supporters. Thank you for making a profound difference in the lives of the children. They hold you in high regard, praying for you and expressing appreciation each day. With a strong financial foundation and ambitious plans for 2024 to advance our mission, we wish you a blessed and healthy new year.

Peggy Walding Chairman of the Board

P.S. Many children are in need of sponsorship at this time – invite a friend to visit the Sponsorship page on our website to provide living hope to a child in Uganda!

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