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

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your prayers! God answered them and our trip to Benin was amazing. I can't say enough about Pastor Sunday & Veronique, their ministry team, and our SFJ mission team for being the hands and feet of Jesus. We all witnessed with our own eyes that God made a way for us with every challenge that we faced. Taking a boat to the water village with over 3,000 homes built on stilts was incredible, and seeing our boxes of shoes sail to an island village in hand-carved canoes was an experience I'll never forget. We saw doors open to hard to reach places with severe physical and spiritual needs, and many chose new life in Jesus over the emptiness found in voodoo

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Will YOU Stroll With Us?



****Watch our 2023 Highlight Video!***

Register now to join us at our *Stroll for Soles* on **June 22nd!** We are looking forward adding some **NEW** items to our food

rituals.

As I washed many feet in Benin, I saw eyes and hearts light up! In our first village, a school of orphans walked a great distance to join us— and my heart exploded with joy to meet them. Widows and orphans are my favorite and we treat them like royalty. In the world's eyes, they don't have much— but they arrived with such joy and hope with an expectancy to receive. Did you catch that? Each orphan had nothing, but **came expecting to receive all that we were offering**. What a privilege to share salvation in Jesus and to introduce them to their heavenly Father who will never leave them. To God be all of the glory!

You are invited to be part of what God is doing to bring shoes and the Gospel to communities that are hard to reach. You can read more about this in my recent [LETTER](#). By making a gift now, you'll help send shipments to Burundi, Benin and Togo! Pastor Evariste in Burundi shared, "*Shoes are like a net that helps catch fish*". Many are hearing the

lineup and celebrating all that God is doing through the ministry. Time is running out, so REGISTER TODAY! Click the button below or call us at (414)365-1392. We can't wait to see YOU at Fox River Park in Waukesha in a few short weeks!

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Food trucks, t-shirts, parking pass, fun activities & games are all INCLUDED with your registration— for no extra charge! Choose a 1 or 2 mile scenic route at Fox River Park in Waukesha to walk, roll, jog or push a stroller. Lunch and kids' activities will be waiting for you once you cross the finish line. Click the button above for more info and to register yourself, family or team!

Stroll Across America Challenge

Out-of-state friends, don't forget to sign up for this great opportunity to "stroll" from **home**! For only \$10, you will receive a Stroll For Soles t-

Gospel for the first time and responding to the invitation to know Christ and be discipled. Thank you for your kingdom partnership and God bless you!

In Christ alone,

Diane

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Founder/Executive Director
Soles For Jesus



Click the image to watch a video from Pastor Sunday in Benin!

Help Us Reach Our Goal!



Would you prayerfully consider making a gift to help us reach our goal? By giving now, you'll help send shipments to Burundi, Benin and Togo! We continue to partner with *Every*

shirt and you can join us in spirit from across the U.S.! Check out the map below to see how many states have registered so far and help us light up your state by signing up today.



Join us from your state!

Guinea Shipment Arrived

Shipment Arrived

Our 5th shipment to Guinea just 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 David, as he and his team travel to the impoverished people of Guinea 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 this team as they

Home For Christ and their 20-year evangelism strategy to reach every person with the gospel by 2038. It's a privilege to partner with those who are on the front lines and I sincerely thank each person who has already given towards this campaign. Click the button below to share your support!

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Sole Sisters Shoe Drive - We want to thank Laura Swan for organizing the *Soles Sisters Shoe Drive* and packing event. They collected over 700 pairs of shoes this year and we appreciate their continued support to touch lives globally.



Soles Sisters Shoe Drive.

minister.

View more photos [HERE](#).



God bless the people of Guinea!

Gratitude From Lesotho

From

"Having to care for my two disabled brothers has been an immense challenge for me, especially when even putting bread on the table is a constant struggle. However, what SFJ and Pastor Josias did for us by sharing hope in Jesus and providing shoes left a special mark that will never leave our hearts. We wish to convey our greatest appreciation to Soles For Jesus and Pastors Josias and Elizabeth for extending a hand

Welcome Allison Taylor - We are thrilled to introduce our summer intern, Allison! She is a student at Grace College and will be a great blessing by helping with special projects in our office and warehouse.



We're excited to have Allison with us!

Marquette University Shoe Drive -

Thank you, Marquette University Athletic Department, for hosting a shoe drive at the Al McGuire Center again this spring. Many people in Africa will be blessed by your beautiful shoes and we hope you all have a fantastic summer!

to give us shoes and share God's word with us. We earnestly pray that God blesses Soles for Jesus with more resources and may God bless every person who gives to this mission!"

- Manthatuoa Khanya

View more photos [HERE](#).



Blessings to the people of Lesotho!

Shipment to Ghana

Our 4th shipment of shoes to Ghana is on its way to Africa. We thank God for each person who has donated shoes and funds and helped pack this shipment of 8,000 pairs of shoes. We also thank Steve and Jefferson from Cargo



Thank you, Marquette athletes!

Sussex Hamilton Fine Arts Center Shoe Drive - Bravo to the Hamilton High School Drama Department for their production of *The Spongebob Musical* and for including a shoe drive at their shows! These shoes will impact hundreds of lives in Africa and we thank you.



Hamilton Fine Arts Shoe Drive

Services, Inc. for their recent visit and for their help with shipping our shoes. We could not do this without the faithful help and support of many. Please join us in praying for our ministry partner, Pastor Ebow, and his team as they distribute these shoes. May God bless and guide them and cause all of their efforts are fruitful.

View more photos [HERE](#).



Shoes and Love to Ghana!

Salvation in Cameroon

The village of Ndikolé in Cameroon benefited from a recent distribution of shoes. Despite heavy rain the distribution took place successfully and all the people were filled with great joy. The

Tonawanda Elementary, Elm Grove - Diane enjoyed visiting her elementary school, Tonawanda, as students presented a check from funds raised at their bake sale. They collected shoes all year and volunteered in our warehouse! Special thanks to teacher, David Schimpf, for his help and God bless you all!



Thank you
Tonawanda School

Thank you, Tonawanda Elementary

Volunteers of the Month

Thank you to our 2024 mission team, *Team Benin*, for answering the Lord's call to share the Gospel in Africa this month! This team verbally shared salvation in Jesus and demonstrated His love with the gift of shoes and washing of feet to thousands in

distribution helped break the general hostile atmosphere characterized by this village in regards to the Gospel. The word of God is now held in great esteem in this locality, so much so that the villagers now regard the servants of God as the main resource for prayer to resolve various ills plaguing their families. Even local churches that did not participate in the distribution benefited from the response of these villagers to salvation and the Word of God. A total of 368 people received shoes and 150 of these people were directly influenced by the Gospel.

View more photos [HERE](#).



Love of Jesus in Cameroon!

Meet One of Our Ministry Directors

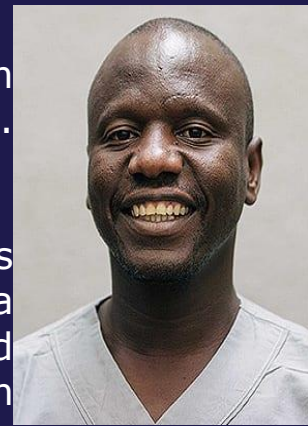
Meet our Every Home for Christ

the villages of Zè, Avakpa and Azizacoue. We pray for each person who heard the Gospel message and accepted Jesus as their Savior, and we also pray for those who are still considering where to place their faith. God is moving in Benin and we pray God's continual blessings over this nation!



Team Benin: Vicki Hirschfeld, Teri Norton, Grant Niemann, Charlie Niemann, Maria Hufana, Yen Mikolajewski, Nicole Jenkins, Luke Hervey, Scott Grennier, Carole Grennier, Earl Ziebell, Scott Wilhelms, Diane Wilhelms, Pastor Robert Nettles, Diane Studer, Sue Hervey, Shawn Thacker, Craig Thacker, Maddie Schmit, Susan Levin and joined by Sarita Chitapa & Ebeme Da-Silva.

Ministry Director in Botswana, Rev. Tanga Chawora.



Tanga was raised in a family rooted in African traditional

beliefs and was initiated into the worship of medium spirits at a young age. As a teen, Tanga came upon a crusade taking place in his neighborhood. *"I remember suddenly finding myself in front of the preacher, kneeling with tears running down my cheeks, and I was ready to give my life to Jesus. Now I can't even imagine my life without Jesus! He is everything to me."*

Today, Tanga leads the EHC Ministry Team in Botswana and is working to establish an EHC office in each of the nine districts of the country. He also plans to train 1,000 people in evangelism and discipleship this year! Tanga has witnessed lives changed by the Gospel message shared at shoe distributions in Botswana; much like his own life was changed at the neighborhood crusade years ago. Recently, a

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

June

Saturday, June 1st, 9-11am ****FULL****

Thursday, June 6th, 1-3pm

Saturday, June 8th, 9-11am

Tuesday, June 11th, 6-8pm

Thursday, June 13th, 1-3pm

Saturday, June 15th, 9-11am

Thursday, June 20th, 1-3pm

Wednesday, June 26th, 9-11am

Thursday, June 27th, 1-3pm

Saturday, June 29th, 9-11am

July

Wednesday, July 3rd, 1-3pm

young man named Bokang made the decision to follow Jesus after receiving the gift of shoes. Bokang was to be initiated as a witch doctor in his village, but instead he now shares the message of Jesus' love with others.

We are thankful for the work of Tanga and his team. We pray for God's blessing over Tanga, his wife Fungai, and everyone at EHC Botswana. Tanga asks us to also join him in prayer for the following:

- That God may continue to open opportunities for ministry all around Botswana
- God's provision and favor over the physical and financial needs of Tanga and his family

Where in the World is Botswana?

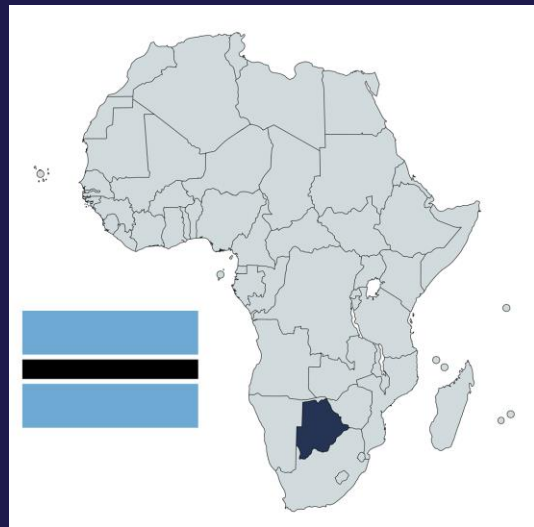
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 Monday, July 15th, 9-11am ****FULL****
 Thursday, July 18th, 1-3pm
 Saturday, July 20th, 9-11am
 Thursday, July 25th, 9-11am
 Thursday, July 25th, 1-3pm
 Saturday, July 27th, 9-11am



Thank you Lake Country Lutheran!

“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, and feel free to bring your friends! Training will be provided and SFJ staff will be available to provide support.

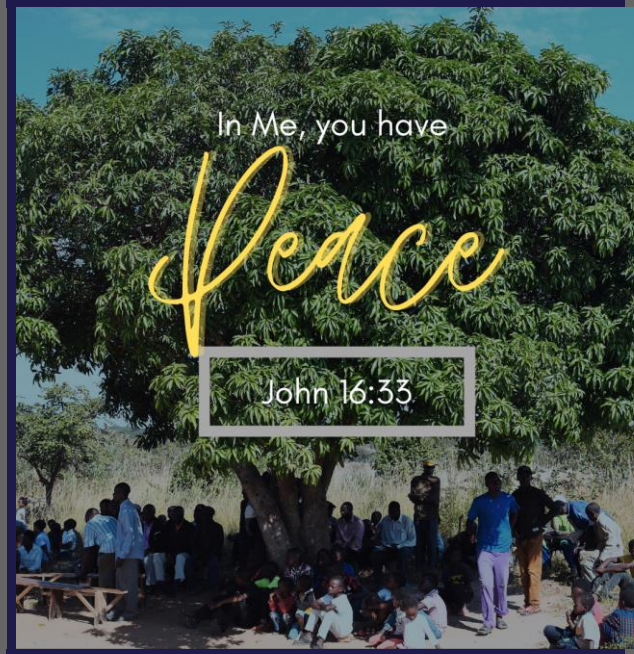
SOS Group Event: Schedule a



Botswana, meaning “Land of the Tswana”, is an inland country in Southern Africa and home to 2.3 million people. Approximately the size of France, Botswana is largely covered by the Kalahari Desert. In 1966, Botswana gained independence from British colonial rule and today remains Africa’s oldest democracy. Since that time, a fast-growing economy has helped to improve the living standards for many people; though rural households are often unable to generate enough resources to meet their needs and are thus reliant on income brought in by a family member who has moved to an urban area for work. While half of the population identifies as Christian, indigenous traditions and medical practices are often

special date to host your own group! Are you a part of a sports team, small group, or club at 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.

incorporated into religious beliefs. We pray for God's blessings over the nation of Botswana in the name of Jesus!



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