



Dear Friend,

2025 is off to an exciting start with shipments to the island nations! Our first one is on its way to Cabo Verde and our second shipment will be leaving soon for São Tomé and Príncipe. I want to thank each person who gave towards our year-end campaign to help get these shoes to children and adults who have great physical and spiritual needs. Our ministry partners are committed to making disciples among the unreached people here and we look forward to sharing more about this soon.

Shoe distributions are happening daily in nations across Africa and my heart is moved by testimonies like this one from Angola. Pastor Emanuel and his team were ministering with shoes in the village of Cucumbi when they met a Village Chief named Soba. After the chief witnessed the washing of feet and heard the salvation message, he became emotional and addressed the crowd by sharing, *“Our visitors traveled far to find us today and they blessed our entire*

Save The Date!



Mark your calendar to join us on **November 8th** for our 16th Annual Soles For Jesus Luncheon & Auction. This event is a highlight of the year and we are looking forward to celebrating another exciting milestone for the ministry that is projected for 2025! Please share with your friends and stay tuned for more information. Here is a video with highlights from our last event. We hope you enjoy it!

community. I want to publicly say that I give my full support to this mission that has shown us love. Let us all go to church and learn more about Jesus!"

The chief's words were received with much joy, applause and even some tears. The love demonstrated by Pastor Emanuel and his team not only impacted Cucumbi Village but the ripple effect spread into the neighboring communities as well. Outdoor services along with prayer and worship gatherings continue, and a spirit of revival and renewal is rising up. To God be the glory!

I can't thank you enough for your partnership and support. If you've been observing from a distance, I personally invite you to get involved this year and we have a place for you! Just reach out, whether you are near or far, and we'd love to hear from you. There is always room for more in our SFJ family and together we can make an even greater impact.

Sincerely in Christ,

Diane
Founder/Executive Director
Soles For Jesus

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God is moving in Angola!



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Spring Internship Opportunity

We are looking for a Part-Time Intern to join our dynamic team now! Come be a part of a life-changing mission and gain valuable experience in the non-profit sector. Send us an email to learn more: Info@SolesForJesus.org.

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For more details email us at:
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- ✓ Flexible and part-time
- ✓ Make a global impact
- ✓ Develop professional skills
- ✓ Join a dynamic ministry

Open to high school seniors and college students!

Shoe Drives & Special Thanks

Wisconsin Athletic Club in Brookfield - Thank you, Melissa Zabel, for organizing a shoe drive at the WAC, where many athletes have donated quality shoes. Melissa is a teacher at the Brookfield location and she wanted to provide an opportunity for her friends to donate their shoes. God bless you all for making an impact in Africa from your local gym!



Thank you, Melissa and Brookfield WAC

Fox Point Lutheran Church - Well done, Confirmation Students and families of Fox Point Lutheran! So far, they have collected over 200 pairs of shoes and brought a fantastic group to serve in our warehouse. We appreciate their support and how they demonstrate God's love so well.

New Life in Botswana

We were blessed to hear from our Ministry Director in Botswana, Brother Tanga. His team recently distributed shoes and the Gospel in the Basarwa area of the Kalahari. The two ladies pictured below were overwhelmed by the love shown and immediately dedicated their lives to Jesus. We thank God for Tanga and his team and let's join with them in prayer as they continue to minister throughout their nation.

View more photos [HERE](#).



New Shoes and New Hope

Washing Feet in Burundi

We thank God for our Ministry Partner in Burundi, Brother Evariste. His team was so excited to receive our recent shipment of shoes and immediately began to travel from village to village, washing feet and distributing the shoes. Look at this beautiful photo of their foot washing station, impacting so many lives! There was great joy among the people as the love of Jesus was shared, and we praise the Lord for the many positive decisions



Thank you Fox Point Lutheran Church!

North Hills Country Club - We thank Sally for dropping off 100 athletic shoes from North Hills Country Club. These shoes are in great shape and will provide quality footwear for so many in Africa.



Thank you for making a difference, Sally!

Waukesha North High School - We admire students like Hannah for having a passion to make a difference globally. She set up a collection box at WNHS and collected shoes to impact lives in Africa. What a dynamic student leader with a bright future ahead and we

made to follow Christ.

View more photos [HERE](#).



May God Bless each new believer!

Shipment to Cabo Verde

Our 5th shipment of shoes to Cabo Verde is on its way to Africa. We thank each person who has donated funds, shoes, packed and helped send these 8,000 pairs. We could not do this without your faithful support! Please join us in praying for the safety of our ministry partner, Pastor Emanuel, and his team. We give thanks to the Lord for the beautiful work that he is doing in the island nation of Cabo Verde. We pray God's blessings over them and may all of their efforts be fruitful.

View more photos [HERE](#).

thank you for changing lives with us, Hannah!



Hannah and Connor delivering shoes

Volunteers of the Month

It is a joy to celebrate Ron and Denise Olszewski as our Volunteers of the Month for January! We are so grateful for the support of this wonderful couple. The Olszewskis were first introduced to Soles For Jesus through their daughter, Katie. They have been volunteering at our SOS events for several years now and have invited other family members to join them as a great way to spend time together. In addition to serving at Soles For Jesus, Ron volunteers at the Hartford Auto Museum, Denise sews quilts for veterans through Quilts of Valor, and together they serve at their local food pantry helping local neighbors in need. Denise's advice for others who want to get involved in volunteer work is to look for something you're interested in. The Olszewskis have turned their passions into opportunities for service and Denise shares, "I am constantly reminded how



Sending love to Cabo Verde

Testimony From Togo

We are rejoicing from the testimonies we received from Pastor Remy who has been reaching out to the people of Afagnagan, Togo. We thank God for the many salvations, including one man who had been rejecting Jesus for a long time. He could not deny the act of love demonstrated by the washing of feet and the gift of shoes and his eyes filled with tears. The heavy weight of anger and bitterness was broken and he gave his life to Jesus! Please keep praying for the people of Afagnagan and that many more will be transformed by the power of God.

View more photos [HERE](#).

blessed we are”.

What a joy it is to serve alongside Ron & Denise in the warehouse, sharing in the common goal of changing lives in Africa through the hope of the Jesus! Thank you for partnering with us and introducing so many of your family & friends to the ministry. *“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.” Hebrews 10:24*



Ron & Denise Olszewski

SUPER Saturday & BUCKS Giveaway!

Join us on Saturday, March 15th!

Help Pack ***One Shipment in One Day*** and enter a drawing for two MKE Bucks tickets, parking, and club passes by posting & tagging us while you're here on 3/15! (\$650 value)

Two sessions are still open for you or



God's love can't be stopped!

Meet One of Our Ministry Directors

Meet our Every Home for Christ Ministry Director in Mozambique, Brother Godfrey Bhodyera.

Godfrey and his wife, Lilian, along with their team at EHC Mozambique, have developed a bold and comprehensive plan for 2025 to continue their expansion efforts across the country to further the Gospel. Brother Godfrey plans to enhance the capacity of their Mobile Training Centers to equip more leaders with the knowledge and tools needed to disciple others and expand God's Kingdom. They are focusing on unreached communities, especially in the Cabo Delgado province, where political unrest and religious extremism bring both great risk and greater need. The words of Isaiah 43:19 serve as a constant reminder to Godfrey & his team of God's power to create new beginnings and bring restoration, even in

your group! Sign-up soon at Info@SolesForJesus.org.

9:00 - 11:00am **FULL**
11:30 - 1:30pm **OPEN**
2:00 - 4:00pm **OPEN**



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).

February

Saturday, February 1st, 9-11am

Thursday, February 6th, 9-11am **FULL**

Saturday, February 8th, 9-11am **FULL**

the most challenging circumstances.

Brother Godfrey recently shared a very moving story from his team's visit to the community of Bandua. Fatima, a 26-year-old mother of four, was initially discouraged by her community from attending a shoe distribution event because she is Muslim. Despite being told the program was only for Christians, she went anyway and was warmly welcomed by the volunteers. For the first time, she heard the Gospel, and it filled her heart with hope and peace. Although she wasn't expecting to receive shoes, she was surprised when she and her children were given them, just like everyone else. This experience of love and kindness, along with the Gospel literature she received, inspired her to learn more about Jesus.

Please join us in praying for the following needs:

- Safety, wisdom, and the necessary resources to minister effectively in high-risk areas of Mozambique
- Healing and restoration in communities affected by violent protests from a controversial general election
- Additional volunteers who share the vision of reaching the unreached will be stirred to join the mission and serve alongside Brother Godfrey and his team this year

Where in the World is Mozambique?

Tuesday, February 11th, 6-8pm
Saturday, February 15th, 9-11am **FULL**
Tuesday, February 19th, 6-8pm **FULL**
Saturday, February 22nd, 9-11am **FULL**

March

Saturday, March 1st, 9-11am **FULL**
Saturday, March 8th, 9-11am **FULL**
Thursday, March 13th, 9-11am
Super Saturday, March 15th,
9-11 am | 11:30-1:30 pm | 2-4 pm
Thursday, March 20th, 6-8pm
Saturday, March 22nd, 9-11am
Saturday, March 29th, 9-11am



Thank you, Rise MKE Church and others!

“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. You can sort for an hour or a day; it’s entirely up to you and please 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, 2-hour, team building opportunity for youth and adults. Please contact Yenh@SolesForJesus.org or by calling (414)365-1392 to sign-up.



Mozambique is located in southeastern Africa. Bordered by Tanzania, Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, and Eswatini, this coastal country lies along the Indian Ocean and is separated from the island of Madagascar by the Mozambique Channel. With an estimated population of 31 million people, the World Bank reports that 63.7% of the population lives at a poverty level of less than \$1.90 per day. The land is rich with natural resources and the majority of the population lives and works in rural areas. Due to its geography, Mozambique is prone to being exposed to and affected by extreme weather, including cyclones and flooding. The country continues to rebuild after Cyclones Idai, Kenneth, and Gombe, which have destroyed thousands of homes in the last several years. Please keep the people of Mozambique in your prayers.

Shoe Collection Sites

We are so thankful for our Collection Sites across the U.S. that collect shoes year-round! We are always praying to expand our reach across the nation, so if you know of a transport company willing to help deliver them to our warehouse, or a church, business or school interested in becoming a Collection Site please reach out for more information by calling 414-365-1392 or emailing Info@SolesForJesus.org.



Click map above to VIEW Collection Sites!

