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Dear Friend,

What are the opportunities that have made a difference in your life?

I have been thinking a lot this year about the opportunity, dignity, and hope we seek to provide through our work at World Hope International and the possibilities that each of those unlocks.

We work around the world and across four primary sectors, running projects that include clean water & sanitation, advocating against gender-based violence, providing access to education, reducing plastic pollution, and building many other innovative and sustainable solutions to poverty, suffering, and injustice—like our mushroom cultivation project in Cambodia or our solar-powered water desalination center in Haiti.

Our market-based, community driven enterprise solutions inspire hope around the world precisely because they are empowering, protecting, and building resiliency in and among vulnerable populations. When solutions like these are in place, a future not only becomes imaginable; it becomes possible—and that inspires a powerful hope.

With your support, we address health. From child and maternal health to building healthcare accessibility to combatting infectious diseases, we take health seriously and respond rapidly.

With your support, we provide clean water and sanitation and energy options, drilling wells, building disaster resiliency, responding to natural disasters, and supporting natural resource management—all of which make a difference to people's wellbeing & futures.

With your support, we ensure protection; from working to create access to education, empowering youth, countering human trafficking and more, we are investing in people and building on their skills, knowledge, & resilience, protecting the most vulnerable in the world and making the world more equitable, more accessible.

With your support, we innovate social venture—whether it's building food security, addressing water scarcity, creating access to markets and finance, developing opportunities for youth, we will work alongside local communities to provide market-driven opportunities.

With your support, we are unlocking the possibilities for people around the world, working backwards from problems to create viable, sustainable solutions alongside the communities facing the challenges.

Galatians 6:2 tells us to "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Thank you for being part of this incredible partnership with us and joining hand in hand with us as we serve vulnerable communities around the world.

In HOPE,

John Lyon WHI President & CEO

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Dorian: Relief When and Where It Mattered

t the end of the summer, the northern islands of the Bahamas were devastated by the catastrophic Hurricane Dorian, which hovered for days over the islands, exponentially increasing damage day by day. Through our strong coalition of partners and as a result of strategically prepositioning emergency supplies over the summer, World Hope International was able to respond immediately to the crisis and get on the ground by September 2.

Before Dorian devastated the North Bahamas, many communities and settlements were spread across cays and were only narrowly connected to parts of larger islands. With the surge from the storm and the massive wind and water destruction, most of these communities were cut off from the support of larger towns many of which were also destroyed and in need of aid, too.

Our partnerships with SolRelief, YachtAid Global, Airlink, and Katadyn Group

enabled us to reach these communities and set up stations to produce clean water for the survivors—and an incredible team of volunteers from across North

"When working vehicles are so sparse due to hurricane damage, you use whatever it takes to get clean water. Today that was a tractor. The temps today were in the high 90s... and we could rarely find shade. It was rough, but we made lots of water, patched the roof, cleared out three rooms in the school and a bathroom. I gagged a few times from the awful smells and what I saw, but overall it was a good day... We are by far the most rugged aid workers out here. Yet I love it and love being here with World Hope International."

— Jen, Relief Team volunteer

"Scared, excited, under-prepared, hopeful, intimidated. Those are some of the feelings I felt. I was going to make clean drinking water for people whose lives had been stripped away by the strongest storm to hit the Bahamas. How was I, a young pastor, and mom from Canada possibly going to help? Within hours of arriving in Marsh Harbour, we had our Katadyn water purification units running. Then people began to come. That is when I realized that the simple act of making clean water was enough. We were providing people with something they could not live without. We were allowing a demolished community the chance to rebuild, simply by creating clean water. By the end of the week, I felt empowered and passionate about helping people. I knew that what I was doing with World Hope International was life-changing for the people I gave water to, but it changed me as well."

—Deborah, Relief Team volunteer



America rose up to establish and run the clean stations with us. Instead of bringing in loads of single-use plastic water bottles, which ultimately create a second crisis for post-disaster communities because of the plastic pollution, we used Katadyn Outdoors reverse osmosis water treatment systems—that can purify salt water into drinking water—to provide safe and clean water for drinking and for sanitation purposes, like bathing, laundering clothes, and even flushing clogged toilets. "There is a real sense of community there. People wouldn't let us pay for things—they were like 'Oh no, you're here, you're serving us, we won't let you pay for that.' They were a nice community that just got devastated. If I had just lost my business or home, I'd have been messed up, but they're like, 'We'll make it back, we'll get there. I started with nothing, I'll do it again.'"

— Dennis, Relief Team volunteer



The aquifers were running 24/7—using solar power by day and generators by night—to produce the clean water. The team then filled up the reusable Smart Bottle Inc bottles with the freshly produced drinking water for those in the community to come and pick up and filled portable onion storage tanks with clean water for sanitation.

World Hope's WASH Director, Keith Norris, stated that "there was really an attitude shift when we got there and people knew at least they'd have water. They had baths, they could drink, they felt more at ease. It had a huge psychological impact for them. They lost their homes; they didn't have anything. Bottled water that gets offloaded is little and they don't know if it will continue, so when we just went there and made water, they relaxed."

In addition to making clean water and thanks to the tremendous outpouring of support we received, we were also able to procure and deliver 300 pallets of supplies for both emergency relief and the long process of building back better. World Hope will continue to help the Bahamas recover from this disaster through a new partnership with Tesla, through which we are providing temporary renewable energy with Mobile Powerwall Units to critical emergency services in The Bahamas, including the World Food Programme's Distribution Center in Marsh Harbour, the Hopetown Fire Station and Health Clinic, and the Man-O-War Cay Health Clinic and Distribution and Command Post Center. With the ongoing support from donors and churches, we are also excited to help the devastated communities rebuild their homes and churches.

"I spoke with one young man. He lost two of his children. He was in survivor mode. I've been to Haiti a lot of times and once I started hearing people speak their French creole, I was able to greet them in their native language and it just brought such smiles to them, even in the midst of all that. Here's this 6ft white guy saying something in their words. In all the mess and everything, people are still people. As a Haitian pastor once told me, 'When we put our arms side by side, we may be different colors, but we bleed the same red blood.""

- Wayne, Relief Team volunteer





Cylone Idai – Mozambique

In mid-March, Mozambique was hit by cyclone Idai, causing devastation for the people, destroying their houses, fields, and livelihoods. World Hope International partnered with three other organizations, Amazon, Katadyn, and Airlink, to bring relief and sent a team of six volunteers to help fight against the aftermath effects of the cyclone. The team distributed 550 water filters across 6-8 communities that could be used to clean the water and protect survivors from the second crisis of a cholera outbreak.

World Hope's volunteer team leader, Orai Lehman, described the importance of World Hope's partnerships with Katadyn and

Amazon, who supplied the water filters; "Having those connections and those partnerships gave an immediate resource that was available to help with one of the biggest needs, which was pure water. Because in the case of a catastrophe like that, one of the greatest needs is to supply water—the cyclone destroys the existing water systems and contaminates even wells and that kind of thing. So immediately, there's a huge danger of waterborne diseases, such as cholera. Having a resource like a connection with institutions that are able to supply the filters, gives just an immediate connection that was a great help in this case, as is in many other similar cases."







orld Hope partnered with the U.S. Navy hospital ship USNS Comfort again to conduct a five-month humanitarian medical assistance voyage in response to the regional impacts of the Venezuelan political and economic crisis. Millions of Venezuelans have fled the country and overwhelmed the capacity of neighboring countries to provide services for them, a crisis alleviated by the USNS Comfort as it made stops around the Caribbean and South America.

World Hope sent 9 medical volunteers out on the ship, covering every single stage of the tour. World Hope was also able to procure and supply 480 walkers for distribution.





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Climbing for a Cause: To Everest & Back

n an effort to raise money and awareness for clean water, professional sailor and athlete, Sara Hastreiter, led a team to Mt. Everest Base Camp (EBC) this fall.

Highlighting, elevating, and supporting programs that address the difficulties faced by so many around the world in accessing clean water is one of the reasons that Sara chose to get involved with World Hope and lead this trip. "When acknowledging my own fortune in pursuing these challenges, I am reminded of those whose daily struggles are a part of their existence," she said, going on to note that, "1 in 9 people worldwide do not have access to safe and clean drinking water, resulting in the deaths of more than 800 children each day. We as the developed world can do more, and that is why I've partnered with World Hope International."

After a year of fundraising and introducing friends, businesses, and communities in person and online to World Hope and the clean water cause, three brave donors, along with WHI's Communications and Marketing Director, Heather Hill, flew to Nepal to follow Sara on a 16-day trek to EBC and back again.



Sara has a goal to become the first woman in history to achieve both sailing the seven seas and climbing the highest peak on each continent and is committed to using her attempt to raise awareness and funding for causes she cares about—like access to clean water. Earlier this year, she made an attempt to summit Denali, getting only 1,000 feet from the top before making the painful decision to turn back and live to try another day.

The team knew that the journey to EBC included a short flight into the Himalayas, landing on the world's most dangerous airstrip; seven intense days of climbing up and down steep slopes and sharp switchbacks; crisscrossing suspension bridges strung back and forth across the mountainsides and over a rushing river; dealing with the effects of altitude; and facing oxygen levels reduced

to only 50% of usual air saturation. They knew as well that they would not be able to safely drink the water without boiling and/or treating it and that they would face days of discomfort and cold along the way.

In the days leading up to the trek, Marianne, who was the first to sign up for the trip, shared, "Yes, it's a bit scary, since I battle with a fear of heights and am concerned about high altitude sickness, but I am prepared as I can be. These small concerns help me identify a bit with women and girls who must travel sometimes many miles in some pretty scary situations to obtain water for their families. Sometimes this takes their entire day, every day, and that water is not even safe to drink, causing concern about water-borne illnesses and child mortality. While I have my iodine tablets and water filter, they have none of that," she continued. "While I am traveling with a group with a plan and escorts, they do not have that either. While my trek is about 2 weeks, theirs is a daily struggle for a lifetime... until we help. Saving and enriching lives is what we are all about "

The trek was indeed challenging, and the team quickly learned that the biggest challenge faced by everyone individually was not those posed by the mountains, but by themselves. As Sir Edmund Hillary once stated, "It's not the mountains we conquer, but ourselves." In reaching EBC, the team had to conquer fear of heights, vertigo, various degrees of culture shock, lack of comforts or basic "rights" like regular hot showers or indoor heating, and an injury among the group that resulted in one medical evacuation back to Kathmandu.

As Monica, who went on the trip with her husband, Mike, said, it was an "Incredibly difficult trek. But we could choose to do it in honor of those that do it every day of their life and show that we can learn to let go of the most simplest of things that we take for granted as in, water—... we have really learned that lesson here. Brings me to tears, actually, thinking about it, but I'm happy to be here and this is an amazing adventure for a great cause."

"Nepal—the EBC hike—has exceeded all of those thoughts and perceptions and feelings, both physically and emotionally. It was overwhelming. That was kind of the goal in my eyes, my perception... You couldn't have asked for anything better," Mike shared with the team when they returned to Kathmandu –a sentiment echoed by the others, who described the trek as being "worth every step."

The participants raised nearly \$25,000 for clean water and brought awareness to hundreds through their messaging leading up to, during, and since returning from the trek.



The Possibility to Live Their Best Lives

For a few hours on two different days in August, children in World Hope International (WHI)'s Enable the Children (ETC) program got to watch, talk to, and play with some of the best soccer players (also known as "footballers") in Sierra Leone.

t the invitation of the team's manager, the ETC staff, kids, and some of our families were able to watch a soccer training and then interact with many of the national team players.

Initially, the ETC team, along with six children living with disabilities, were honored to get an invitation to watch the Sierra Leone National team practice before their first away game in Liberia, but it didn't stop there! The national team, known as the Leone Stars, came around the kids and were amazed at what our children could do.

During their visit, the kids enjoyed meeting several members of the team, including the captain, Umaru 'Zaingalay' Bangura, and the Sierra Leone Football Association (SLFA)'s President, Isha Johansen. "The kindness of the national team imparted value and love to our kids more in those few hours than many had experienced by their communities for years, and in many ways, that is how life is. Simple acts done in sincerity and kindness many times make the most impact," noted Anna Vines, ETC Program Director and Physiotherapist.

It was such a positive time that a second, larger soccer event with the National team was immediately organized for that Sunday following, where even more children from the ETC program were invited.

National Team luminaries including the team captain, and players Kei Kamara, Mustapha Dumbuya, Musa 'Tombo' Kamara, and Simion Kaku were among the team stars who played on the field with 25 of our kids at the Football Academy grounds.

As ETC program director, Anna Vines, puts it, "It was exciting again to see how sports can tear down the walls between disability and ability. Sports has the ability to transcend the physical and connect people over a common enjoyment."

In fact, during the series of events, Isha Johansen announced that the SLFA has identified World Hope International as one of the main charities it will support, adding,

"These young kids have defied their physical and/or mental disabilities, using football to chase their dreams and 'stay in the game."

> —Isha Johansen, President, Sierra Leone Football Association

"The unimaginable football skills and talents of these kids (girls and boys), despite their mental and physical disabilities, is further proof of the power of football—breaking barriers."

WHI is grateful to the SLFA and the Leone Stars players for making time and excited to build on these relationships and use love of soccer as a bridge that connects the people of Sierra Leone in very unique ways.

"I want every one of our kids to know they are special and to have play and joy in their lives. Integrating sports and sports therapy in our program gives a space for this in addition to breaking barriers," Anna shared. "They should have the chance to live their best lives. They have that right. I hope that as a program we can support Sierra Leone's participation in the Special Olympics and Paralympics. We have a vision for this which is truly exciting."







Community Led, Market Driven: The Bettah Bakery

f you had the opportunity to better your life, would you? For a group of women in Sierra Leone, the answer to that is a resounding "yes."

While the lives of women in Sierra Leone have improved in many areas, the pace has been slow. According to the Sierra Leone 2015 Population and Housing Census, 28% of women are the sole or main income producer and decision-maker with no education and paid employment, and 66% of women do not have the ability to read and write in any language.

Through a corporate sponsorship by Tree of Life Bookstores, World Hope International

has constructed a bakery, introduced business training, and launched a new, womenled business in Makeni, Sierra Leone, called the "Bettah Bakery." Officially dedicated and commissioned on Monday, July 26, in a ceremony well attended by many community members and local church leaders, the bakery affords women the opportunity to gain leadership and business skills, establish a bakery, and link the business to market. The objective? Empower women to generate income to support their families' daily needs.

The name—Bettah Bakery—was chosen by the Wesleyan Church women leaders who operate the bakery. This is a name in the local language, Kjkrio, meaning "women



tree of life bookstores

must get up to improve themselves." They designed the logo to have a heart with wings ready to fly—showing the empowerment of women through their income generating bakery.

World Hope believes every person should have the opportunity to live a life of dignity; to not only survive but to prosper, to have the ability to provide food, shelter, and education for one's family. The bakery, which has has four departments—Production, Marketing, Finance and Administration—is open Monday to Saturday from 8am – 5pm. It currently specializes in rolls and loaves and produced about 250 loaves per day in the first week. The women hope to create other types of bread and pastries in the future and increase their production according to the demand.

For the time being, the women market the loaves and pastries at churches, schools, and to individuals. They formed a Project Management Committee of seven women and an advisory team comprised of five senior personnel from Wesleyan Church of Sierra Leone, with a dedicated financial officer who monitors the sales and payment of staff. The women are already working on management, marketing/advertising, training, and sustainability plans for the coming year.

Partnerships & Innovations

Something incredibly special can happen when a company decides that what happens halfway around the world from it matters—and that it can make a positive impact. For some companies, that can mean a philanthropic partnership that empowers a community through opportunity, protecting the vulnerable and reunifying families along the way.

That is exactly the kind of impact that Simple Green Smoothies, a woman-owned business helping people fuel up with healthy and affordable smoothies, wanted to make.

In 2018, Simple Green Smoothies began a partnership with World Hope International with a dream to end human trafficking in Cambodia through mushroom farming. So far, they've raised \$10,000 and helped 7 families start their own mushroom growing business—and they're just getting started. SEXY

World Hope has been on the front lines of the fight against human trafficking in Cambodia for nearly two decades and a critical part of the fight to help rural families, especially women-headed households, prosper economically. As a woman-founded, woman-owned company that draws on #plantpower, Simple Green Smoothies determined that WHI's women-empowering, mushroom cultivation project—also plant based!—was the perfect match.

Jen Hansard, co-founder and CEO of Simple Green Smoothies, was in a vulnerable situation herself when her children were little. "I think we all want to feel good in our heart about what we're doing and what we're buying, and when you come to us and we can help you with your own health—but it doesn't stop there; we're gonna help you make the world a better place halfway around the world in Cambodia, too—that's crazy cool. I'm thankful we've been able to do this as a company."

> —Jen Hansard, CEO, Simple Green Smoothies

She was able to start her own wellness brand to help her family out of their financial crisis, and after hearing about WHI's Mushroom Cultivation Project, Jen committed Simple Green Smoothies to making a \$10k gift to WHI; company to company, woman to woman, and plant to plant.

Today, Jen continues to be passionate about helping other mothers do the same thing and is committed to the women of Cambodia through WHI's Mushroom Project.

"We are passionate and committed to raising at least \$10k a year to help the Mushroom Cultivation Project," she shared.

In January 2019, Jen took her Simple Green Smoothies team to Cambodia with WHI to meet the women and families whose lives have been impacted by her company's commitment, and Simple Green Smoothies will invite anyone who raises \$10k with them this year on their next "Rawkstar Adventure" in Cambodia to see the mushroom project in action.

Mushroom farming has had a large impact on the lives of rural Cambodians, adding over \$2,000 to farmer incomes annually and enabling them to stop traveling to urban areas for work, save for larger purchases, and pay off existing loans. WHI uses market-based solutions like the Mushroom Cultivation Project to fight human trafficking and gender-based violence (GBV) and to unlock opportunities for people to lift themselves up out of poverty.

If you are interested in joining us as a corporate sponsor, contact our Chief Development Officer, Nancy Green, at Nancy.Green@WorldHope.org.

Making Advances Against Live-Streamed Child Sexual Abuse

ince 2017, PAVE has been caring for survivors and training both government and NGO social workers and shelter workers on how to provide the best care and therapy for survivors of online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC) in the Philippines. PAVE stands for "Protecting at Risk Children Vulnerable for Exploitation" and is a project which World Hope International (WHI) partners on with the Salvation Army, Cure Foundation, and Love 146, all organizations running various shelters for survivors. Specifically addressing livestreaming exploitation, PAVE is centrally located to work alongside shelters and local social workers to provide proper care and research for best practices in clinical care for treating OSEC survivors.

Livestreaming often happens in the context of a family, where a potential buyer of online exploitation will contact the parents, or sometimes someone else known to the child, to make a deal with them. Because of this, the practice of online sexual exploitation of children tends to spread within communities when the families become curious about how their neighbors are suddenly increasing their income. This adds difficulties to the reintegration of survivors, since often, returning to their homes and communities is no longer safe for them.

Haley Clark, WHI's Director of Anti-Trafficking and Gender-Based Violence, highlights another difficultly when working with survivors of online sexual exploitation, noting that, "One thing I like to bring up is the uncomfortable topic of pornography. People have a misconception that pornography doesn't cause harm because the person doesn't have direct contact." She continues, noting, "However, the survivors say they have this feeling that they are being abused over and over again because it is out on the internet forever. This reality increases the depths of their trauma."

The United Nation Children's Fund (UNICEF) has declared the Philippines as the global epicenter of livestreaming exploitation of children. OSEC is so common here largely due to the wide use of English and access to the internet. Because OSEC is more common in this area, it is in high need for aid, but it is also the best location to learn about OSEC and how to best address it. There is little known about this currently, and there is great need for research to be done because of its recent growth caused from increased use of technology and internet access.

Having worked with WHI before, providing counselling services to children affected by the earthquake in Haiti and conducting research on WHI's Anti-Trafficking work in Sierra Leone, Dr. Keri Bassett, Psychology Professor at Roberts Wesleyan University, spent 10 days in the Philippines to do just that. Bassett has her B.A. in Psychology, from Houghton College, and her M.A. and Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Biola University in La Mirada, California.

Dr. Bassett's experience in both counselling and research, along with her passion, has allowed her to conduct multiple research projects filling this grave need in the world of human trafficking and exploitation. Increasing the understanding in this field will allow social workers and psychologists to provide better clinical care to survivors.

"I know there are students who are studying and wonder what they can do to help. It's

"The survivors say they have this feeling that they are being abused over and over again because it is out on the internet forever. This reality increases the depths of their trauma."

> —Haley Clark, Director of Anti-Trafficking and Gender-Based Violence

"One of the biggest things people can do is prevention activities to educate people about what is happening, especially since most customers are American. People aren't aware of this new form of sexual exploitation, but it is being driven by our neighbors."

—Dr. Bassett

important to know there are clinicians, but there is also a need for researchers. It is rare to find people with clinical skills and research skills. There is a need for people who understand both because of the huge need for research," she shares.

Through interviewing social workers who either work for or were trained by the PAVE program, Dr. Bassett conducted detailed research on the techniques of how to counsel survivors, as well as assessing the different risk factors that are associated specifically with OSEC. Bassett was also able to witness the positive effects of the work PAVE is doing and reported; "A lot of the social workers found the training very interesting and very helpful to learning things they've never considered before."

Learn more online about WHI's anti-trafficking and gender-based violence work and read a story of one woman's experience surviving trafficking. You can join our efforts in combatting human trafficking and gender-based violence by making a gift to the Hope Fund, which allows us to fund projects like PAVE and respond when and where it matters. Your gift today is the gift of hope for someone tomorrow.

The Best & Safest Water Ever

orld Hope International drilled a new borehole in the Bo District of Sierra Leone, a project that included construction of a fence to protect the well, the hand pump installation, the training of the Water Management Committee (WMC), and the chlorination of the water in the well.

The 75-year-old Baoma community stands along the Sewa River (one of the major rivers in Sierra Leone) in the Lugbu chiefdom in Bo District. The community has a total population of over 380 inhabitants, including women and children. Mr. Masaquoi, a retired schoolteacher, was nominated by the town chief to share about the new well and the impact it is already making on their community and surrounding villages...



"For 75 years no support has ever come to this village. God has used you to bring us sanity by providing water and training on sanitation and hygiene sufficiency to this community. **Since the time of our great ancestors, this commu** nity had never received any support of such kind. World Hope International is the first organization to enter this land with equipment of such kind ever in the history of this community. We have tried several requests through the governments, but no help came at all. But whatever God has destined will surely come to pass.

Today, this is Baoma, a typical traditional community enjoying the same facility that other citizens of this same country have been enjoying. The present generation is going to enjoy this facility on onto our great children—by then we will be called ancestors, as of those who lived before our time.

In time past, Baoma was the host to any water related disease outbreak prevalence like typhoid, cholera, diarrhea, and vomiting, etc. Women and children are most vulnerable to any outbreak of the above-mentioned diseases. Every year we have to lose active women and potential growing children.

During the early dry season (December, January February) each year, we have to sail in a boat across the Sewa in search of better-quality water than the river. As you can see that is another District (Bonthe District Main Land). In the adverse dries (March April), these local wells will dry up and we and our hosts will have no alternative but to both meet at the river to collect water for both drinking and other domestic purposes.

Remember, the Sewa river is a multi-purpose river with a lot of activities carried in it like mining, fishing, laundering, and bathing.

This is one evidence of the activities that taking place that contributes to the unsafe of this water that is causing a lot of trouble on us as a people dwelling in different locations along this river. In any case and so as far as water is concerned, we the people of Baoma, I can say we are free from water related hazards that has been troubling us in the past. In many dry seasons we were hosted by the Bonthe people, this time round we are going to host them and give the best water and safest water ever."

The people of Baoma are grateful for the installation of the well, "which has remedied us from several of the water diseases prevalent, that have killed a lot of our people in the past." They are also thankful "for the good work and the training we received on how to take care of this good water provided to us."

Mr. Masaquoi also noted that the presence of these services (the Water Management Committee training and the well itself), although new, already has had a great impact in the lives of his people, particularly given that

- 1. The facility is close to the community
- 2. The water is safe and good to drink
- 3. The water is readily available at any given time for use
- Having the well promotes sanitation and personal hygiene (hygiene takes effect when water and sanitation facilities are available)

Goal #6 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is to "Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all." Clean water and the power it has to transform communities and the lives of individuals is an important part of World Hope International's work around the world.

Did you know we do webinars?

Keep an eye out online and in your inboxes for invitations to join our webinars. We hosted our first webinar this year. One webinar we hosted was on "Extreme Sports Charity Fundraising" and featured Rev. Wes Dupin and Ron Bussa from Daybreak along with professional sailor and athlete. Sara Hastreiter. Another webinar addressed "Earth. the Environment, and Emergency Response" and featured World Hope CEO John Lyon as well as John Wright from our partner, Katadyn Group, and Liz Bloomfield, from our disaster response partner, Airlink.

Webinars are free, recorded live, and can be viewed or listened to after the event on our website. We have an exciting line-up of webinars planned for 2020 and hope you find them informative and beneficial!

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When Passion Meets Potential

ouise and her late husband Wayne (1930-2018) first began supporting World Hope in 1999 to aid disaster response in Honduras. When they discovered that their passions for clean water and sanitation and, particularly, anti-human trafficking work were able to be realized through the work of World Hope, they decided to continue their support.

"Our passion was to help others come to Christ and help children who were abused," Louise said of their dedication to support anti-trafficking projects.

Raised in different states, Louise grew up near North Liberty, Indiana and Wayne in New Castle, Pennsylvania. Louise attended a Wesleyan church—Beaver Creek Wesleyan Church—ten miles from her house when she was 13-years-old and became a Christian at youth camp. Wayne would go on to join the army and would leave to take care of his father and his broken back.

The pair met as students at Indiana Wesleyan University—then called Marion College—when Louise was a freshman. Their connection was instantaneous, and they married when she was 19 and Wayne, 21. They both went on to the University of Iowa for their Masters' degrees; Louise in Education and Wayne in Social Psychology, but their journey together was only just beginning.

After Wayne received his teaching certificate, the two moved to Anchorage, Alaska to start a Wesleyan church, literally laying the concrete foundation and then living in



a two-bedroom house in the outback, just outside the Arctic Circle.

Years later, they left a healthy church of 130 members to travel the world and teach abroad, before finally settling down in Orchard Park, NY, where Wayne spent 17 years teaching at a nearby Houghton College campus.

Although it's been many years since they started that church in Anchorage, their love and faith in Christ only grew and their experiences around the world showed them the importance of clean water and the devastating consequences of human trafficking—and they wanted to do more.

Because they believed the work World Hope is doing in the world aligned not only with their vision, but also God's vision for the world, they decided to lay the foundation for a gift that would keep giving.

"We prayed about it and felt World Hope is doing a good job in putting God first," Louise shared.

Although Wayne passed away in 2018, Louise contacted a local attorney and put World Hope in her own will, so that their impact and legacy will continue with World Hope after they are both gone.

"I want to put our money into God's work when we leave this world," she said.

Giving with Joy

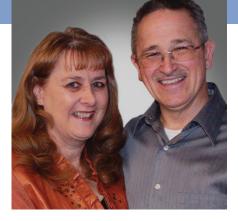
at and I, Jeff, had the joy of hearing Dr. Jo Ann Lyon at our church and decided we wanted to visit World Hope. We clearly remember immediately wanting to leave a check for World Hope. Jo Ann explained what projects World Hope was involved in and in our spirits we loved all of them. Pat then said, "We don't care, Jo Ann, you choose." I will never forget her saying, "Well, what I really could use was some of our bills paid, especially the electric bill. My wife looked at me and said, "Pay the bills; keep those lights on." Sounds weird but we went away feeling that maybe World Hope would be this amazing (even greater) Kingdom World organization just because those lights were kept on. That was in 1999.

I count it a great privilege to serve on the WHI Board. It is such a joy to be a part of praying for and fostering great works that show God's love around the world.

Pat and I have two amazing children; a son who was called home to be with the Lord at the age of 21 after being killed by a drunk driver, and a daughter and sonin-law who live in the DC area—and three amazing grandchildren, all boys.

We have owned our own company for 42 years. Plans have already started with Josh and Beth taking over the company.

The coolest part of this succession planning is this: Josh and Beth have the



exact same goals on building the kingdom as Pat and I have. Lord willing the next steps for Image Pointe will be even greater giving for the Kingdom. We all four just have an excitement when it is time to sit down and write the checks.

One big reason we support World Hope is that it is an organization that highly values honesty and integrity. It

is highly rated with the nonprofit rating organizations. We also support projects like the Bosnian outreach as our company employs several first-generation Bosnian immigrants to whom we want to show the love of Christ. Our employees in turn have also donated, as a Christmas gift to us, to the clean water initiative. **Another reason we give is to keep our son's memory alive, as one of his goals was to keep our company strong so "Mom and Dad could write checks to missionaries." We have done a Village Sponsorship in his honor, among other things.**

Serving and following in the steps of the Lord through serving and giving is the most important part of our lives and we get such a joy to be a part of His kingdom work.

If you are interested in including World Hope in your estate planning, you can get started by calling our office at (703) 923-9414 or emailing legacy@worldhope.org. If you already have World Hope in your will, please let us know so we can thank you!

AWARDS & ACCOLADES



"Wherever in the world God's children are suffering—whether on the streets of American cities, or in the networks of human trafficking of South East Asia, or in the orphanages of post-Soviet Eastern Europe, Jo Anne wants to know why the Church is not doing more about it. Instead of turning away in discomfort or helplessness, she mobilizes people to do something about it in the name of Jesus."

-Dr. Shirley Mullin, when presenting the Lifetime Achievement Award to Dr. Jo Anne Lyon (pictured left)

Lifetime Achievement Award

On May 11th, Houghton College President, Shirley Mullen awarded the Willard J. Houghton Medal to World Hope International's Founder, Dr. Jo Anne Lyon. "The Houghton Medal is a presentation we make to individuals who have embodied in particular and powerful ways over the course of a lifetime the commitments and aspirations that are at the heart of a Houghton education," Mullen said, adding that "It is Houghton's Lifetime Achievement Award and the most selective award we give."

"I was deeply honored to have been given the Lifetime Achievement Medal of Honor Award from Houghton College," Dr. Lyon shared. "I could barely hold back the tears as Dr. Shirley Mullen read the citation."

Dr. Lyon was recently elected to Vice Chair of the Board of the National Association of Evangelicals and serves on the boards for Bread for the World, Asbury Theology Seminary, the National Religious Partnership for the Environment, and the Council of Faith of the World Economic Forum. She also served on the Council on Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships under President Obama and on the Board of Houghton College prior to becoming General Superintendent of The Wesleyan Church.

Houghton College awarded Dr. Lyon the Houghton Medal "not only for her accomplishments—which are impressive, but also for her spirit. She brings to whatever she does bold imagination, a kind of holy impatience, and absolute fearlessness," Dr. Mullen read from the citation. "After seeing the armless victims of the Sierra Leone Civil War in a refugee camp, she imagined an organization that could mobilize resources to send artificial limbs to that country. Thus was born World Hope. Wherever in the world God's children are suffering-whether on the streets of American cities, or in the networks of human trafficking of South East Asia, or in the orphanages of post-Soviet Eastern Europe, Jo Anne wants to know why the Church is not doing more about it. Instead of turning away in discomfort or helplessness, she mobilizes people to do something about it in the name of Jesus. That's what I mean by holy impatience."

2019 Emerging Leaders Awards

WHI's Communications & Marketing Director, Heather Hill, was named a Finalist in Washington Women in Public Relations' 2019 Emerging Leaders Awards (ELAs). The ELAs recognize rising stars in the communications industry and showcase the field's most talented young women for their professional accomplishments. These honorees implement innovative communications strategies that go above and beyond — achieving impressive and extraordinary results.

2018 Nonprofit of the Year

WHI was the recipient of Acumatica's 2018 Non-Profit of the Year. VP of Finance and former CFO Gayle Reitmulder accepted the award on behalf of WHI during Day One of Acumatica Summit 2019. Acumatica CEO Jon Roskill presented Gayle the crystal award during the Day One Keynote, and he told her, "What you are doing is amazing and making the world a better place."

Outstanding International NGO Leader of the Year

On July 6th, Saidu Kanu, WHI's Sierra Leone Country Director was honored as the Outstanding International NGO Leader of the Year at the National Development Awards held in Freetown.

At the event, African Consulting Group recognized public service personnel, civil society, NGOs, and politicians who have played an important role in advancing the social and economic development of Sierra Leone. Those recognized were highlighted for their contributions towards creating a fairer, sustainable, peaceful, and prosperous future for all Sierra Leoneans. There is no surprise that Kanu was selected for his excellence, commitment and innovation.



Saidu Kanu (left), WHI Sierra Leone Country Director, receives the Outstanding International NGO Leader of the Year Award



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An Exponential Impact

t a young age, Marjorie dreamed of becoming a nurse or a teacher, but poverty denied her the

opportunity to pursue higher education. The oldest of five children. she tried to fund her education by working different jobs to pay school fees but struggled in her studies because of the difficulties she experienced. "By God's grace and blessing, I was favored to be one of WHI sponsored children around the world," she said.

"I studied at Batotitik Mission Academy

Institute (BMAI), Batotitik, Philippines, and [this] made a big difference in my life. Though along the way there were still struggles and challenges with peers and family needs, I continued to pursue my studies."

That was several years ago. This year, Marjorie graduated with a BS in Education. She also received an award for the Best Thesis Defense.

Sponsorship enabled Marjorie to complete school and empowered her to pursue

higher education and unlock a future of opportunity for herself and her family. But not only did this investment in her life make

all the difference to

her personally; she is

now investing in the

lives of other children.

Marjorie has returned

to work at BMAI and

hopes to encour-

age other children

in achieving their

dreams, no matter

the challenges they

kids to be one of the

scholars. I am thankful for the opportunities and lives used by God to help people like me and giving me the chance to know God and have a better future "

In order to maximize the impact of the sponsorship program, WHI focuses on partner schools and specific villages, varying the program slightly to adjust to cultural specifics and community needs. This lets us attend to children's holistic needs, including building wells in schools or villages, providing training for parents and community leaders, and more.

You can book a Child Sponsorship Event for your community, organization, or church or request a Child Sponsorship Event kit! Learn more about sponsorship options at www.worldhope.org/sponsor.

may face. "To WHI supporters... from local to international, thank you for choosing me among

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RECENT & UPCOMING EVENTS



Women of Achievement Event

On October 15th, a reception, panel discussion, and fundraiser featuring World Hope International was hosted in New York City by Women of Achievement International. The focus of the event was on challenges and solutions to ending human trafficking. Organized by Jeri Sape (WHI board member), the panel discussion included remarks by World Hope's Director of Anti-Human Trafficking and Gender-Based Violence, Haley Clark, and from World Hope partner, Jen Hansard, CEO and founder of Simple Green Smoothies.

Gary Lipman Invitational

This year, the 9th Annual Lipman Memorial Golf Tournament was hosted. 95 people participated and raised over \$75,000. With a matching gift from an anonymous donor, this tournament raised more than \$150,000–which means 15 new wells in communities in Africa. The golf tournament includes a variety of challenges at different holes on the course. An addition to the course this year was the option to shoot a golf ball from a modified AK-15 rifle. The longest shot on this hole traveled 330 yards. Six teams tied with a low score of 19 under par! The mantra: "While golf is our method for raising funds, providing clean water is our passion."



Larry McAlpine Hoover Walk

Many faithful friends turned out for the 17th Annual Larry McAlpine Hoover Walk on August 5 in Winston Salem, NC. Organized by Pam McAlpine and dear friends, Linda & Bill Hunt, Rhonda & Gary Clodfelter and Pastor Mark Norris from Christ Wesleyan Church. This annual walk is held to honor the Legacy of Larry McAlpine and raise funds for world missions. Since the beginning, the walk has raised over a million dollars, providing over 90 wells in 5 countries serving over 65,000 people. Funds raised this year will drill wells in Liberia.

World Hope International Dinner

Gary (WHI board member) and Connie Ott hosted a lovely dinner at their ranch home in Marion, IN, to introduce WHI's Enable The Children (ETC) Program Director and Physiotherapist Anna Vines and the ETC work to their friends and



family. Over 40 people attended to hear about Gary's recent trip to Sierra Leone and Anna Vines' powerful testimony about the ETC ministry to serve over 1,000 children living with disabilities.

Grand Rapids Marathon

On Sunday, October 20, 80 runners from, Daybreak Church (Hudsonville, Michigan) competed in the Grand Rapids Marathon with over 1,000 other runners. Led by Ron Bussa, assisted by John Van Laan, Terry Ven Huizen, and Matt LaPoint, this group raised over \$71,000 for clean water in West Africa. Lead Pastor Wes Dupin, a long-time supporter of World Hope International, has a desire for Daybreak Church to impact the community where they worship, but also vulnerable children and families around the world. For 189 days, these runners have not only trained but have grown together as a community. The Saturday night race rally before the event helped to remind the

runners they are doing all of this work to run a marathon to help others in need.



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Kristopher Meyer, Chief Operating Officer

Kris Meyer has almost three decades of operations, planning, and assessment experience across a wide sector

of government and non-governmental work. A retired US Navy Commander, he has served in locations around the world conducting everything from direct patient care as a Hospital Corpsman, to planning for major contingencies in the Western Pacific as a Naval Planner, to maintaining continuous airborne alert as a Naval Flight Officer in preparation for strategic crises in the United States. As the Public Private Cooperation Division Chief at US Southern Command from 2015-2018 he supported World Hope International's disaster relief water production deployment to the Turks and Caicos immediately following Hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017 and facilitated World Hope International's medical volunteer support to the US Navy's USNS Comfort hospital ship missions in Latin America and the Caribbean in 2018. He has directed operations for one of the largest US Navy aviation squadrons and most recently served as a principal assistant for operations aboard a US Navy aircraft carrier during an around-the-world deployment.

A strong proponent of partnership across all levels to maximize collective efforts in areas of common concern, Kris has a Master's in Public Administration from Harvard Kennedy School of Government, a Master's in Human Resources from Towson University, and a BA from the University of North Florida. He is Project Management Professional certified and has completed additional training programs with USAID, OFDA, Naval Postgraduate School, and Defense Acquisitions University.

Tim Murphy, Chief Financial Officer

Tim has joined World Hope as CFO, coming to us from Urban Ministries, a distributor of African American religious

materials located in Chicago, IL, where he served as CFO and was responsible for Accounting, Procurement, I.T. and Distribution. He has experience as CFO in several other companies as well, and before that, worked at Oshkosh Truck Corporation for 9 years as a Controller responsible for 3 divisions of the company including the Mobile Medical, Command, and Flight simulator divisions in Illinois, Florida, and California. Prior to that, Tim spent 9 years as a Controller at Whiting Corporation in Monee IL, with multi-site responsibility in Chicago and Turlock, CA, after starting his career with Arthur Andersen as an Auditor. Tim earned his M.B.A. in Finance/Accounting from DePaul University and a B.S. in Finance from Illinois State University.

Zachary Lawless, Director of Development

Located in Cincinnati, Ohio, Zachary leads WHI's grant positioning, pursuits, and acquisitions for WHI. With 10+ years

of business management experience, including 7 years in business development, Zachary has led business development efforts across several relief and development sectors in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, and Latin America for several organizations, including Samaritan's Purse and World Vision. With Samaritan's Purse, Zachary lived/worked in Liberia to lead post-Ebola recovery new business efforts. Most recently with World Vision, Zachary managed the USDA McGovern – Dole Food for Education portfolio out of the Food Security and Livelihoods department in Washington, DC. Obtaining degrees in Intercultural Studies and International Development coupled with working on projects in 25+ countries, Zachary is committed to designing projects that best meet the needs of vulnerable populations in developing countries in hopes that transformative, sustainable, and holistic development can be attained.

Kelsey Rwayitare, Chief Legal Officer

Following the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina, Kelsey drove her beatup Pontiac down to New Orleans and



joined the United Way in the rebuild effort. She lived in a tent city with displaced locals, cared for children in a FEMA trailer park, and learned the necessity of active community service. Kelsey went on to serve in the areas of poverty alleviation, human rights, and women's empowerment, specifically by legal consulting for the Supreme Court of Rwanda, advocating for Habitat for Humanity, representing immigrants in their quest for political/ religious asylum, and teaching in Central Africa, Japan, and Germany.

Upon graduating from law school, Kelsey joined Collins Aerospace where she led teams in multi-million dollar negotiations (over \$1B in revenue) and equipped women leaders as the Women's Forum Co-Chair. Kelsey joins World Hope International's team as General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer



TOGETHER, LET'S UNLOCK THE POSSIBILITIES

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When you make a gift to The Hope Fund, you are helping us continue to provide access to clean water, medical services, shelter, safety, training, resources, education, and economic opportunities. When you make a gift, you are empowering us to strategically strengthen our programs so we are able to provide solutions when a challenge or opportunity arises. And by investing in The Hope Fund, you are enabling us to respond to crisis locally, nationally, and internationally when disasters and emergencies break out—and to build resiliency ahead of time.

Together, we can make a difference when and where it matters and unlock the possibilities for a better, brighter future for the vulnerable; a future running over with opportunity, dignity, and hope.

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We know that choosing the right planned gift arrangement depends on your personal circumstances and financial goals, and we encourage you to consult your financial advisor to determine the right option for you.

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Questions about any of these options?

Contact Nancy M. Green, Chief Development Officer at

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