

Planting Hope International

"Spreading the Gospel through improving agriculture, education, and health in developing countries"

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God has put some exciting opportunities in our path, some brought about by disaster, and some brought about by encounters with bright young people and dedicated missionaries. As we enter our 4th year of serving God with Planting Hope International, we continue to fund projects while keeping our overhead costs below 1%. Below are some of our current projects and opportunities.



A young lady being put through school in Tanzania.

Laos. We will send a second 40 ft container of grain bins, a tractor, mill, and other items to Kirby Rogers in Laos. He works with a group of Laotians to establish agriculture-based businesses as missions to help local farmers and businessmen become self-sufficient, while spreading the Gospel. The cost for sending this container will be about \$7000



Tractor and grain bins sent to Laos.



Sam and Brittany Gill, missionaries to Pakistan.

Tanzania. It is spring in Tanzania (remember, they are below the equator!) and time for students to start back to school. We are currently paying tuition for about 15 kids that are in various stages of education from 1st grade through college. We continue to feel that educating young people is one of the best ways to have a long term impact on developing countries. We get more requests than we can fund, so support for providing tuition is needed. We require all students to provide us a transcript of a prior semester so we can track their performance, and whenever possible we require the family to provide some funding. We support these students through the Valenova Foundation in Ifakara. We also continue to provide support to Baobab orphanage in Bagamoyo and we recently purchased a solar-powered refrigerator for them.

Pakistan. We continue to pay rent for a sewing center that was started by Sam and Brittany Gill, who serve as missionaries in Pakistan. They use the sewing center to teach non-Christians that come there to learn a trade. They also preach and plant churches in this country where there are few Christians.

Kenya. We have begun supporting a training program in Kenya to help young adults learn a trade. This is funded through IcFEM, and group we met a few years ago in Kenya.

Zimbabwe. We have worked with the orphanage Eden Children's Village (ECV) for about 20 years. Disaster struck in September when a wildfire from adjacent land burned down their teenage girl's home and their chicken houses. The cost to rebuild will be about \$45,000 for the teenage girl's home, \$24,000 for the layer house, and \$6,100 for the broiler house. We have committed to fund at least the broiler house. Pray that this can be used to raise awareness for the good work they do for these orphans. Earlier this year we paid part of the shipping costs for a container that left Goshen, Indiana, for Eden Children's Village with medical, agricultural, and educational supplies. Fortunately, that container will arrive soon to replace some items lost in the fire.

Current Needs.

- **Agricultural needs:** Our biggest effort now is to help Eden Children's Village get their chicken houses and teenage girl's home rebuilt. We will be helping them rebuild one chicken house at a cost of about \$6,100. We also want to raise an additional \$7,000 to equip the chicken houses.
- **Educational needs:** We continue to get requests for tuition help from kids of all ages, including some in college. Depending on their school and age, cost is from \$50 to \$1,500/yr. We continue to believe that this is a good way to have a long term impact in these countries.

- **Medical needs:** We hope to continue providing support to a clinic in Zimbabwe and providing funds for emergency medical needs in Tanzania. These needs run from \$100 to \$1000 depending on the medical situation.

We welcome contributions of any amount as we reach the lost, feed the hungry, heal the hurting, and educate the next generation so their countries can be self-sufficient. 100% of donations are used for these projects.

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James 1:27, 2:18 "care for the orphans and widows . . . show your faith through your works"



A wildfire consumes buildings at Eden Children's Village.

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