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# HOPE FOR LIBERIA

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Many of us are excited to get back to some kind of “normal” as we enter into the early stages of a “post-COVID” world. Several people that I have spoken with are saying the same thing. They stress how COVID lockdowns and restrictions helped them **prioritize what really mattered** to them and how much less they were actually able to live with. The value of connecting with family and friends went up exponentially. I hope and pray that you will be able to get out and enjoy the much anticipated summer weather.

I'm also anticipating **my next trip to Liberia in September**. All my trips have been special, but I'm extra excited about this one. I'm excited because we will be **dedicating and welcoming students to our new school on September 27th!** The building process is really coming along and the construction crew is hard at work. Many of the workers are

sleeping on-site because they want to be able to work as many hours as possible to complete the project. That's how excited they are!

This has been a massive undertaking for a ministry as young and small as we are. **We stepped out by faith and God has met us every step of the way.** We're not where we want to be, but we are thankful that we are not where we used to be either. Every day takes us one step closer to completion. Please see the other side of this newsletter for a list of materials and funds needed to complete the building.

As I think back to May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019—the day that the Lord gave me **the vision for what is now the “Community of Hope”**—He showed me a **school** and a **community centre**. And to my amazement and wonder, both buildings are now on the property. As I have continued to minister in Liberia, God has

continually expanded my love, my passion, and my vision for the land and people.

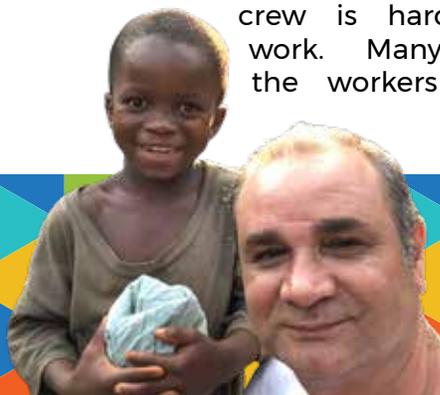
We began helping widows and orphans around the country. After a while, the Lord put it on my heart to build our own **orphanage / dormitory**. Thanks to your prayers and financial faithfulness, this new new building is under construction as well! **This facility will be a major blessing to those who are most vulnerable in the community.** Together, you and I are fulfilling one of the most important mandates of Scripture...

*Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.*  
~James 1:27

May God bless you!



*Joe & Karen*



## WAYS TO GIVE:

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*Giving by e-transfer allows the most money to be sent to Liberia.*



# UPCOMING PROJECTS

## School



**THE NEED: \$25,000 CAD**

We are currently raising funds for the students to be able to provide them with: desks and chairs; uniforms; backpacks; shoes; and school supplies.

Some of our students, who would otherwise never receive an education, will be bused in from the blind community. We are so excited and so are their parents! They broke out into applause when they heard.



## Orphanage



**THE NEED: \$20,000 CAD**

The orphanage and dormitory for students who will stay there from Monday to Friday due to distance from the school need: bunk beds; mattresses; washrooms; a kitchen; and laundry facilities.

Staying at the facility, sleeping in their own bed, and eating three meals a day will give these precious children a much needed advantage of succeeding in school and in life.

## Chicken Feed



**THE NEED: \$3500 CAD**

Buying chicken feed is both expensive and challenging. Due to the lack of chicken feed producers in Liberia, the prices can rocket without a moment's notice, and stock can be limited and often non-existent. Our chicken farm is crucial in providing protein for the community. Acquiring our own machine and growing the ingredients on our land will ensure a steady flow of eggs for those who need it the most.

## Yes! I want to help the people of Liberia!

I would like to give my donation of \$ ..... to help with our upcoming projects.

I would like to give by: Cheque  Visa  MasterCard

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Town/City: ..... Province: ..... Postal Code: .....

Phone: (.....) ..... - ..... Email: .....

Name on Credit Card: .....

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