



A SIMPLE GIFT

Imagine that you are a young girl living on an island off the southern coast of Honduras. Your family fishes for a living and your home is a basic hut made of wood slats. You own two outfits that you share with your sister. You're not sure where the clothes came from, but you can never remember seeing them without stain and the colors are faded. Now imagine that some kind people come to visit your island one day. You cannot understand much of what they say, but they are wearing smiles on their faces and they come bearing gifts. A translator explains to you that they are Christians from the United States and they are there because they want you to know that God loves you. Before they leave, they present you with a brand new, brightly colored dress of your very own. It is just your size and it is clean and fresh. You have never seen anything so beautiful in your life. Imagine...



WOMEN OF HOPE

The Dorcas Ministry is just one of the many ways that women like you are making a huge impact for Christ through Healing Hands International.

There are a special group of women that bring hope to the world through efforts like the Dorcas Ministry, the Magi Project and the Women Worth a Million program and we call them "Women of Hope". To learn more about each of these ministries or to become a "Woman of Hope" visit our website at www.hhi.org and click on the Woman of Hope tab at the top of the page.



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DORCAS MINISTRY

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✿ ACTS 9:36 ✿

*"In Joppa there was a disciple
named Dorcas; she was
always doing good and
helping the poor."*



How Can I Be A Dorcas?

Healing Hands has encountered some amazing women from all over the country who have a heart and a talent for sewing. Some are great-grandmothers who want to share their talents with the next generation and others are young moms who want to create special memories with their young children.

No matter their age or skill level, each of these women have proven themselves to be true *"Women of Hope"*! Whether it's a simple sundress for an orphan girl in Honduras or a practical cloth diaper for a grateful mother in Haiti, the gifts that these ladies create are priceless and beautiful.

We invite you to join them. It doesn't matter what your skill level is, there is a part for you. Some women cut out fabric, shop for supplies and iron the finished products. Others create new patterns and teach novices the talents that they have honed over a lifetime.

If you already have a sewing ministry at your church, we encourage you to get involved and share this ministry with your group. If not, then why not start one?

A great way to begin would be by coming to the Dorcas Workshop at Healing Hands this August. You will have the opportunity to learn new patterns, meet experienced "Dorcas" ladies, and even get some hands-on training! See the chart on the next panel for more information. We hope to see you!



SUGGESTED PATTERNS:

Some of the items that we are able to use most frequently are:

- Cloth Diapers
- Cloth Kotex
- Sundresses
- Small blankets
- Scarves/hats/gloves

Each of these patterns will be demonstrated at the workshops in August, but you can also request more information by contacting Cindy Herring at (615) 832-2000 or cherring@hhi.org.



2011 WORKSHOP INFO

DATE:	AUGUST 11TH OR 12TH
TIME:	9 A.M. - 3 P.M.
LOCATION:	HEALING HANDS NASHVILLE OFFICE
COST:	\$5 (INCLUDES LUNCH)
*SPACE IS LIMITED	CALL TODAY! (615) 832-2000