

Healing Hands International

2017 Annual Report

*HHI is helping jumpstart Dorcas's small business
in Kenya, empowering her to feed her five children!*





Dear HHI Partners,

It is a pleasure to present this annual report to not only thank you, but to hopefully demonstrate the incredible impact your giving and prayers are having in so many lives. We take seriously the trust you demonstrate when you make a gift to Healing Hands. In addition to our gratitude, our pledge to you is one of good stewardship and transparency. This is God's ministry and HE has done some truly amazing things through HIS work we call....Healing Hands International.

While numbers and statistics are important when measuring progress, the other immeasurable dynamic of this ministry are the people connected to the statistics. Real people, just like you and me, whose lives have been touched and impacted.

I've said this often, but if I had one wish for each of you it would be that you could travel and meet the people you help us serve. People like Dorcas who can now support her five children. Or children like Iventa who no longer spend their days carrying unhealthy water from a contaminated source far from home.

Bringing clean, life-giving water to a village....teaching the hungry how to grow their own food....bringing indescribable joy to a child through our M.A.G.I. program....these things, and many more, are what Healing Hands International is all about. And we do these things through the resources you provide, opening the door for the gospel to be heard, and always giving God all the glory! As you read through this report and see the faces of those we've served I hope you'll be encouraged, inspired, and reminded that your partnership with us is all about people. Souls just like you and me that are in need of the basics of life and the redeeming love of Christ.

With deepest gratitude,

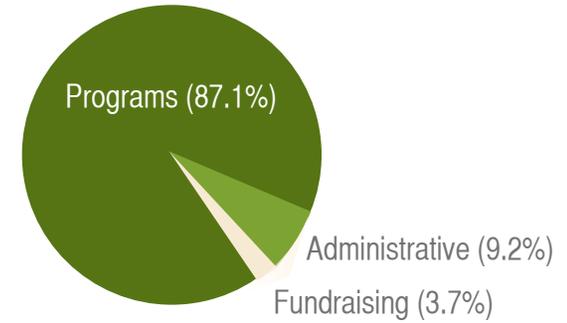
Art Woods

President



FINANCIALS

The total income for 2017 was \$4,038,340. Expenses totaled \$3,702,742 of which \$3,222,715 (87.1%) was used for programs and reserves, 341,262 (9.2%) for administrative costs, and 138,765 (3.7%) for fundraising costs. Healing Hands recognizes that all resources are entrusted to us by God and therefore, we seek to be excellent stewards. You can find copies of our audited reports and IRS form 990s on our website at www.hhi.org. If you have any questions about our financial statements, please call Chris Gingles at 615-832-2000.



CLEAN WATER

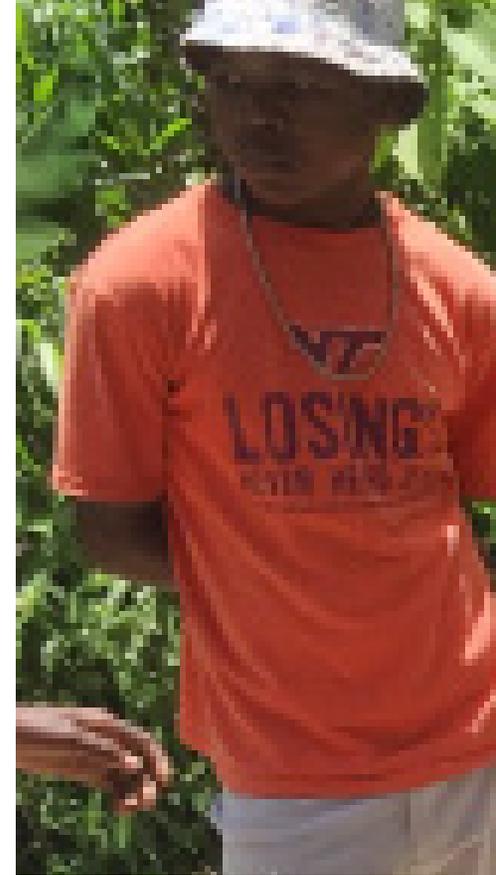
We drilled 94 clean water wells and repaired 73 this year, opening the door to share the good news of Jesus Christ. We hosted 27 Walk4Water events with a total of 2,800+ walkers raising the necessary funds for wells. We also provided 1,225 Sawyer water filters where successful water wells could not be drilled. This year, we celebrated the 970th well of our history!



SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

We hosted 61 workshops in countries all over the world, training 3,257 people in sustainable agriculture methods, empowering them to feed themselves and their families. Since it began, the agriculture program has conducted a total of 535 workshops in 35 countries, training 27,466 people firsthand. Many of our trainees are quick to share what they've learned with others, creating a multiplying effect.

According to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization "Agriculture production needs to increase 70% by 2050 to feed the world." HHI's simple, practical, affordable, sustainable agriculture training is helping to solve this problem. It is life-saving and life-changing!



Iventa is 10 years old, in the 3rd grade, and lives in the Coup Madigra Diveje area of Haiti. In this area, if a family lacks close access to water, the responsibility of providing water for the household falls on the children, even though it may take many miles each day of walking. For the past several years, Iventa has joined the other children in the neighborhood in gathering water from a “very far place” every morning and afternoon. And even when their families would drink the water Iventa and her friends had worked so hard to bring back, everyone would get sick.

This past year, a Walk4Water event in Athens, Georgia provided a clean water well in Iventa’s community. Without the need to spend so much time gathering water, **Iventa is now able to attend school!** She even has some extra time in her day to play her favorite game, hide and seek. Praise God for a new chance at life for Iventa and her little friends!





WOMEN OF HOPE

The Women of Hope program held a successful Christian Women's Business Conference in Kisii, Kenya this spring, led by local African women. We also visited our women of hope in Ghana, encouraging them in their work and faith. They have accepted 157 students to the vocational school for 2018!

The Women of Hope conference and Hope Tea provided the opportunity for over 600 women from 13 states to come together and be renewed and reminded of the hope we have in Christ and the unity we share with sisters in Christ all over the world. *Dorcas: Sewing for Jesus* groups from across the US sewed over 14,500 items that were used in M.A.G.I. boxes, medical clinics, and disaster relief shipments.



EDUCATION

We continued our native-led Education program in Haiti under the direction of Dr. Bobbie Solley. Madelene Joseph and Bernadette St. Hubert worked tirelessly in the classrooms of four schools as well as in the community with other teachers. Together with a team from the U.S., they conducted two teacher training seminars in February and again in July.



M.A.G.I.

With your help, we sent a total of 25,648 M.A.G.I. boxes (the second highest number we've ever shipped out!) this year, making a godly impact in Dominican Republic, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Texas/Mexico border, and Zambia. We partnered with 179 churches, schools, individuals, and other groups to pack the boxes and numerous ministries and mission points to distribute them.

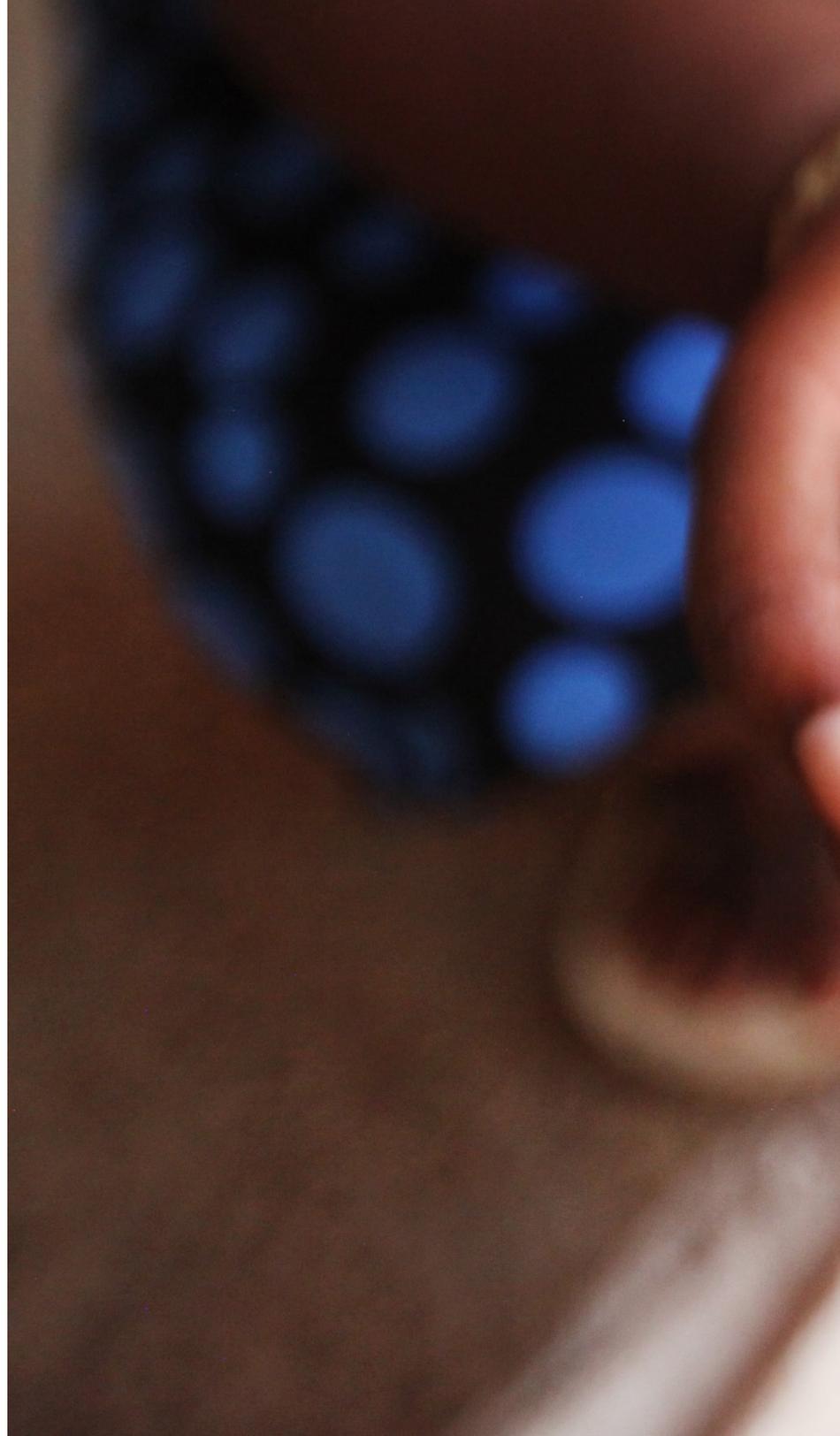


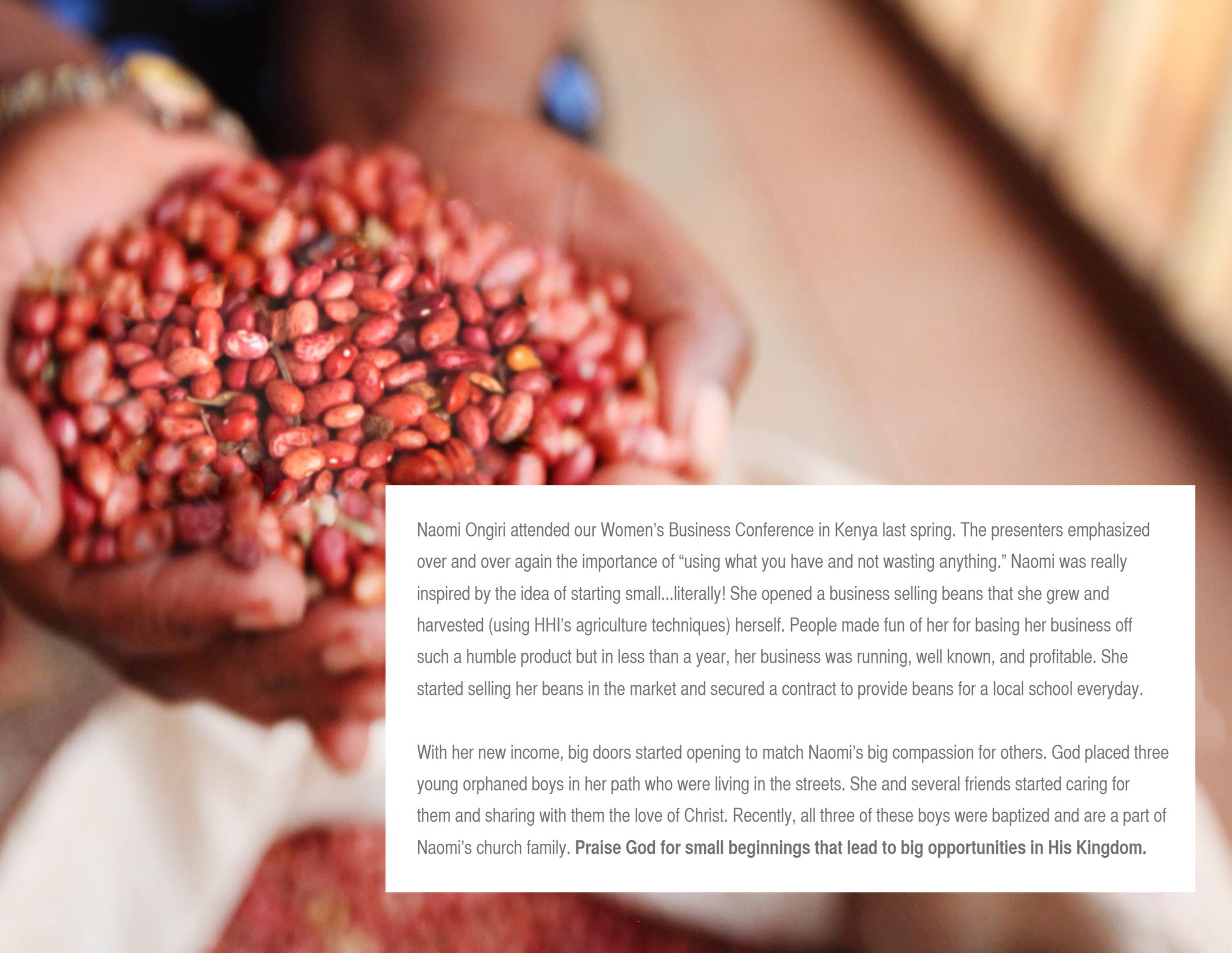
DISASTER RELIEF

Early in the year, we wrapped up our Hurricane Matthew relief effort in Haiti by providing the funds to rebuild houses that had been badly damaged in the disaster. This fall, we responded to the earthquake in Mexico as well as in the Caribbean.

For the first time, HHI worked with Churches of Christ Disaster Relief to send a container to Puerto Rico. Funds and resources were also sent to Dominica, St. Thomas, St. Croix, Haiti, and St. Martin. Supplies were distributed to 14 different congregations and others in Puerto Rico. We will be updating you as we send additional shipments and resources to Puerto Rico in 2018.





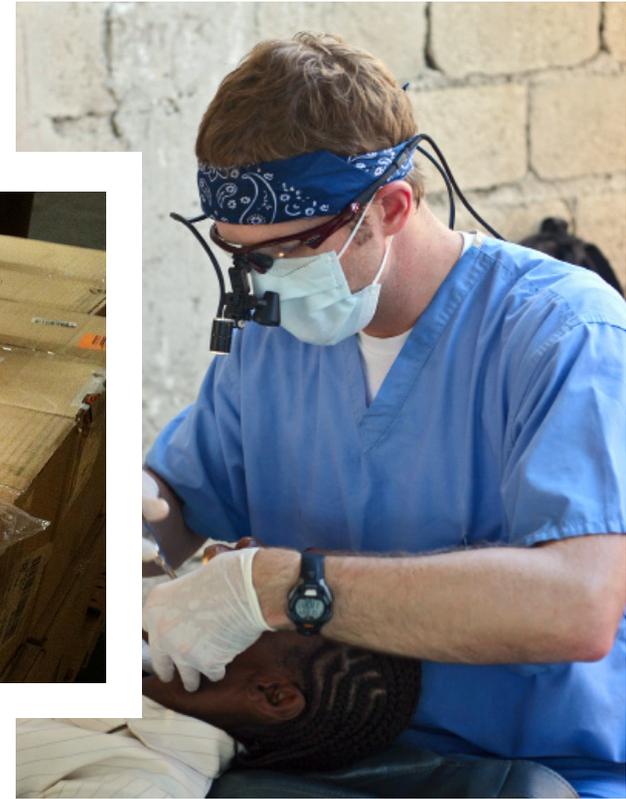


Naomi Ongiri attended our Women's Business Conference in Kenya last spring. The presenters emphasized over and over again the importance of "using what you have and not wasting anything." Naomi was really inspired by the idea of starting small...literally! She opened a business selling beans that she grew and harvested (using HHI's agriculture techniques) herself. People made fun of her for basing her business off such a humble product but in less than a year, her business was running, well known, and profitable. She started selling her beans in the market and secured a contract to provide beans for a local school everyday.

With her new income, big doors started opening to match Naomi's big compassion for others. God placed three young orphaned boys in her path who were living in the streets. She and several friends started caring for them and sharing with them the love of Christ. Recently, all three of these boys were baptized and are a part of Naomi's church family. **Praise God for small beginnings that lead to big opportunities in His Kingdom.**

MEDICAL

We distributed medical supplies to mission points in Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Malawi, Mexico, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zambia.



SHIPPING

We shipped 24 containers of relief supplies, missionary belongings, well drilling equipment, and M.A.G.I. boxes to 15 different countries: Cameroon, Dominica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Nicaragua, Panama, Puerto Rico, South Africa, and Zimbabwe.



OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED:

- **Pray for the work going on through Healing Hands International.** We covet your prayers for the wisdom needed to bless others in the way that God calls us. Please especially remember the members of our team who work in foreign countries.
- **Host a Walk4Water at your church, school, or workplace.** This is a four mile walk to raise money for clean water projects.
- **Join the Hunger Fighting Team.** Join others in committing to give monthly to the fight against hunger worldwide.
- **Participate in the M.A.G.I. project.** This project brightens the lives of children in developing countries by sending boxes of gifts.
- **Plan to attend the Women of Hope Conference** in the spring (Nashville, TN area) or **the Hope Tea** in the fall (Arlington, TX area).
- **Host a Hope Party in your home or church or sponsor business education** through the Women of Hope program.
- **Plan to attend a Dorcas: Sewing for Jesus workshop** in the Carrollton, TX or Nashville, TN area.
- **Sign up with Amazon Smile under Healing Hands International.** By doing this, we receive a portion of every purchase you make on Amazon with no cost to you.

Sewing Workshops in TN & TX



Host a Hope Party



WOMEN OF HOPE CONFERENCE & WOMEN OF HOPE TEA



For more information on any of these activities, please visit our website at www.hhi.org.

*Our mission is to aid, equip,
and empower those in
need around the world in
the name of Jesus Christ
so they might experience
God's healing grace.*

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