



LEFT TO RIGHT: JONATHAN, LEWIS, DOMINIQUE, COMFORT, SAMMY

WHAT'S INSIDE

Letter from the CEO
2023 Recap
Goals for 2024
Upcoming Team Trip

IT HAPPENED.

After my ninth trip to Zambia and fervently praying for God to reveal the desires of my heart, it happened.

The desire that God had placed in my heart, in His perfect timing, was to partner with my dear friend, Pastor Davis Daka, in a bold act of faith. In line with the teachings of Psalm 37, I trusted in the Lord, found joy in serving Him, sought His guidance, and committed my ways to Him. I trusted and HE ACTED.

“Trust in the Lord and do good: dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; Trust in Him, and HE will act!”

PSALM 37:3-5

“AND HE WILL GIVE YOU THE DESIRES OF YOUR HEART.”

a letter from the CEO, Don Ewing

Based on the overwhelming interest, prayers, and generosity, the Land of Hope is blessed. The gardens are blooming and flourishing. We hear songs of joy and celebrations throughout the farm. The villagers surrounding LOHA visit with thankful hearts as they receive daily clean water blessings. Widows smile and rejoice each morning to assume the care and responsibilities offered. The LOHA children and many village kids love attending our school. The children take pride in their responsibilities, like gathering upwards of “500 eggs” daily and many other life skills. God has impacted the lives of the children and village community surrounding Land Of Hope, and indeed, our Lord is increasing the “Heart desires” of Pastor Davis, myself, and each of the LOHA board directors.

During our fall LOHA board planning meeting, we prayed for guidance in providing for the children under our care. We recognized the need to focus on preparing our older children for their lives after graduation. We have embraced the mantra “LIFE BEYOND LOHA!”. We are committed to dreaming big and praying big for God’s guidance, resources, and expertise to ensure each child has a healthy and productive “life beyond LOHA”.

We’ve already seen God do amazing things in the last four years. With the prayers and generous support of time and resources, I have no doubt God will expand our support base. I trust God and believe “His Desires” will become the “heart desires” of many of our growing LOHA partners.

2023 LOOK BACK



BRANDINA

VILLAGE STUDENT

A YEAR OF GROWTH

The year 2023 represented a year of growth for LOHA. The 35 children who call it home are getting bigger; they're increasing their education skills, including English speaking, showing pride of ownership in their daily chores, and establishing strong connections between the staff and children within the family-like environment. In addition to the children growing, the operations of the grounds have seen a significant undertaking. We installed a third water well that supports a complete irrigation system throughout the garden grounds to maximize the sustainable agriculture processes in place. Additionally, our education program saw considerable improvements. We transitioned into a certified public school, Abundant Trust Academy, where we could accommodate more children, including students from nearby villages.



JAYDEN

HIGHLIGHT OF THE YEAR

A week-long bible school was conducted at LOHA during the spring missions team visit. During this special time, the team engaged in arts and crafts activities and worked side-by-side with the children in the classrooms. Through this experience, they developed a stronger bond with each child, gaining insight into their life stories, their challenges, and the journey that led them to the Land of Hope.

After this visit, it was clear that the children are embracing a life full of growing hope and a deeper trust in Jesus Christ.

OUR PRAYER

As you review the below, please join us as we commit to pray for God's direction to:

"Train up a child in the way they should go, so even when they're old, they will not depart from it."
-- Proverbs 22:6

2024 GOALS

- Build 2 classrooms
- Construct an administration office
- Hire 2 additional teachers
- Build 2 orphan homes
- Acquire land for future medical & dental clinic
- Access the local power grid for electricity

SPRING TRIP

When: May 23-June 1

Team: 16 people

Theme: "Sports Camp"
A week long olympic style competitions to encourage play and movement with the children (track & field, soccer, volleyball, etc).

Focus: Faith outreach
Invitation and event to share the gospel to village children.