

Hello Friends and Family!

We had an amazing first year in 2019! From evangelism to farming, God has been at work in our South Sudanese refugee community. Thanks to the generosity of New Hope Church in Florida, Church of the Savior in Kentucky and individual donors, we distributed audio Bibles to reach many people who cannot read or did not have their own copy of the Bible. We partnered with YWAM to launch a refugee garden project aimed at reducing hunger in our community through sustainable agriculture. Additionally, thanks to your generosity, we have books for children, a new pit latrine, a solar panel light system, a 2,000 liter rain water collection tank and so much more! I look forward to partnering with you in 2020 to win souls for Christ and to build physically and spiritually healthy communities.

Meet Marcus

Due to war, poverty and the complexities of polygamy, Marcus found himself responsible for his ten nieces and nephews and his aging mother when he was just a single man in his early twenties. A refugee himself, it seemed impossible to provide for all of them. Marcus also faced a physical challenge. Because he had permanently damaged his shoulder as a child —doing heavy lifting jobs to pay for his elementary school education —physical labor like building and farming was not an option.

One day as I was walking in the refugee camp, I stooped to get a closer look at the rocks the farmers had been complaining about. The ground was sparkling! Crystals were everywhere! Marcus and I began praying, dreaming

and planning what it might look like for him to start a jewelry business. He had taken a class in jewelry making but had gotten discouraged because he had no money for start-up supplies. With your help purchasing basic supplies like wire and pliers, a business was born. From my U.S. sales, Marcus has already made enough to buy a mattress for his mother, repair a roof for his niece and more.



Pray for Lillian

Lillian, 22, is a refugee and an orphan. She has faced many setbacks, including health issues. She is graduating from high school this year at the top of her class and she wants to go to college to become a nurse. We take care of her medical, toiletry and food needs but also hope to offer her a college scholarship in the coming year!

Meet Bosco & Victor



We are raising up thirteen core disciples to be church planters. These young men and one young lady will not be able to support their family on tithes and offerings from small refugee house churches. They need an occupation and that is where Planting Hope comes in. We are there to provide money for skills training and start-up capital for small businesses.

Victor and Bosco expressed their interest in farming. We sent them to a ten-week intensive agricultural program and Victor continued his studies at YWAM Agriculture School. They are both partnering with YWAM to train refugees and plant a community garden. Even though this is supporting him and his sisters, Victor has a vision for more. He had two prophetic dreams from the Lord encouraging him to create “Planting Hope Farm” to help the hungry and vulnerable in the refugee camp.

I couldn't be more proud of these hard working young people as I come alongside them to help make their dreams a reality through Planting Hope.

2020 and Beyond

With your generous support, I plan to expand Planting Hope to start more small businesses, offer more school scholarships and skills training as well as enlarge our farm. **All this and much more can be accomplished with your help!**

I have 50% of my 2020 budget raised. In addition to the projects listed above, I am turning my house into a ministry house for prayer and Bible study gatherings. That requires furniture! Would you partner with me, monthly, towards my general fund? If you would like to give specifically for furniture, please leave a comment on the Planting Hope donation form online or write it in the memo line of your check. **See below for instructions on how to give online and by mail.**

Support

Thank you for partnering with Planting Hope in seeing His Kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven! Thank you for your gifts and prayers. Reach me by email at crystal.king@cornerstoneinternational.org.

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