



Bread and Water for Africa[®]
Providing a Brighter Future for Africa's Children

2015 Annual Report



Central Freetown emergency food distribution during Ebola crises – Sierra Leone, 2015

BREAD AND WATER FOR AFRICA® MISSION

The mission of Bread and Water for Africa® is to promote positive change in Africa by supporting and strengthening grassroots initiatives for community self-sufficiency, health and education.



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings Friends and Supporters,

The following pages of the Bread and Water for Africa® Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Report highlight our mission in action and the impact it has made on the lives of thousands of orphaned and abandoned children, families and entire communities in countries throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

Since our formation in 1997, Bread and Water for Africa® has worked diligently to fund programs that offer creative solutions to meet the needs of those struggling to survive in the most difficult circumstances imaginable.

We support relief and development efforts that are self-sustaining. Funding projects that become self-sufficient after our initial investment better enables Bread and Water for Africa® to finance new and innovative ventures across the entire continent. Supporters such as you make it possible for Bread and Water for Africa®, working with our program partners, to positively impact the lives of tens of thousands in a variety of ways.

In particular this year, much of our effort has been in Sierra Leone, a country regaining a sense of normalcy following the tragic Ebola outbreak. Early in the year we provided funding for emergency food relief to the country which was suffering from massive food shortages due to a lack of agricultural production during the outbreak. Once farming activities were able to resume, we provided farming equipment to significantly increase the production of rice, a major food staple in the country.

In Kenya and Zambia we continued our support of the Lewa Children's Home and Kabwata Orphanage and Transit Center ensuring that hundreds of orphaned and abandoned children have a roof over their heads, food in their bellies and people who care for them as if they were their own instead of being forced to fend for themselves on the streets and have nowhere to call home.

My greatest joy is to be able to occasionally visit with our partners, especially Volunteer International Spokesperson Phyllis Keino at the Lewa Children's Home and

KipKeino Primary School she founded decades ago, and see the smiles on the happy faces of the children there and hear of the success stories of so many individuals who call Phyllis "mama."

It also warms my heart to speak with mothers whose lives have been saved at the health clinics we support, and the graduates of secondary school and beyond who turned the tragic stories of their early lives into success stories of today and are now looking forward to bright futures for themselves and their families.

I am also grateful, as you read this annual report, to be able to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to people such as yourself, our steadfast supporters, for placing your trust in Bread and Water for Africa® and partnering with us to reduce poverty – and save lives – through your generosity, commitment and compassion for those who you will never meet living halfway around the world.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Phyllis, our dedicated volunteers, staff, and, most importantly, the thousands of children and families we served in 2015, thank you for making a difference in the lives of so many.

I look forward to your continued partnership as we work to build a future filled with hope for the children of Africa.

Sincerely,



Bethelhem Tessema
Executive Director



*Bethelhem Tessema
with female farmers at Yankansa
village, Sierre Leone.*

WHO WE ARE

Since our inception 18 years ago, Bread and Water for Africa® has been committed to promoting positive changes in Africa. Through the generosity of our donors, Bread and Water for Africa® supports and strengthens impoverished communities and through our partnerships with local grassroots organizations, promotes self-sufficiency and improvements in health, education, agricultural practices and sustainable energy.

OUR PARTNERS

Cameroon

Hope Services
Hope Outreach Foundation

Ethiopia

Haramaya University Health Center
Yeteem Children and Destitute Mothers Fund

Kenya

Baraka Farm
Kipkeino Primary School
Lewa Children's Home

Sierra Leone

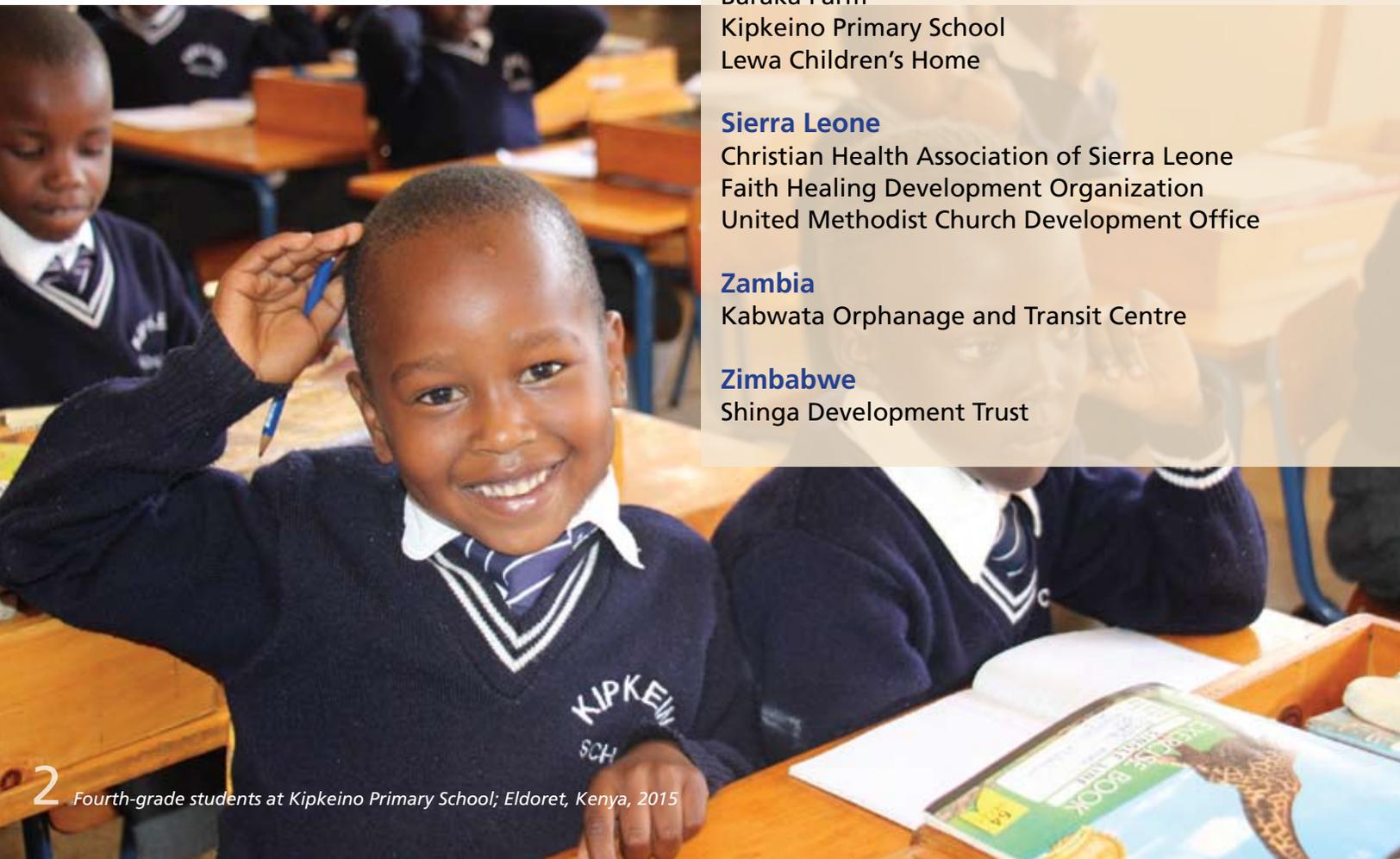
Christian Health Association of Sierra Leone
Faith Healing Development Organization
United Methodist Church Development Office

Zambia

Kabwata Orphanage and Transit Centre

Zimbabwe

Shinga Development Trust



THE CHALLENGES

- In sub-Saharan Africa, approximately 400 women die each day from preventable causes related to pregnancy and childbirth. The risk of maternal mortality is highest for girls under 15 years old and complications from pregnancy and childbirth are the leading cause of death among adolescent girls in developing countries.
- Children in sub-Saharan Africa are 15 times more likely to die before the age of 5 than children in developed countries. More than half of under-five child deaths are due to diseases that are preventable and treatable through simple, affordable interventions.
- One third of young people in sub-Saharan Africa – more than 56 million people ages 15 to 24 – fail to complete primary school and lack skills for employment.
- 40 percent of the 783 million people in sub-Saharan Africa do not have access to an improved source of drinking water. Piped-in water is non-existent in the poorest 40 percent of households, and less than half of the population use any form of improved source of water.
- 115 people in Africa die every hour from diseases linked to contaminated water, poor sanitation and poor hygiene. In sub-Saharan Africa more than a quarter of the population spends more than half an hour per round trip to collect water.
- Malnutrition is linked to nearly half of all childhood deaths. Children who are malnourished are smaller and more likely to get very sick from ordinary infections, and for some, development of the brain can suffer as a result.
- Care for orphans is a major issue throughout Africa. An estimated 153 million children and adolescents, the majority in low- and middle-income countries, have lost one or both parents. Compared to those living with parents, orphans are at a higher risk of HIV infection, malnutrition, childhood diseases, stigma and discrimination.
- African farm yields are among the lowest in the world. While agricultural performance has improved since 2000, the rate of growth is not fast enough. Growth has been mostly based on area expansion, but land is scarce and many countries are facing limits to further expansion.

1 <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs348/en/>

2 <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs178/en/>

3 <http://en.unesco.org/gem-report/one-third-young-people-sub-saharan-africa-fail-complete-primary-school-and-lack-skills-work>

4 <http://www.un.org/waterforlifedecade/africa.shtml>

5 <http://www.un.org/waterforlifedecade/africa.shtml>

6 <http://www.unicefusa.org/mission/survival/nutrition>

7 http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2015-08/iu-bio081215.php

8 <http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/COUNTRIES/AFRICAEXT/0,,contentMDK:21935583~pagePK:146736~piPK:146830~theSitePK:258644,00.html>

OUR PROGRAMS



Orphan Care Program

Provide loving homes for orphaned and abandoned children, including the basic necessities of food, clean water, and health care, and an education so they can build a better life as they enter adulthood.



Education Program

Offer quality education at preschool, primary and high school levels, as well as vocational training to give children and young adults the best opportunities for self-sufficiency.



Clean Water Program

Build clean water wells to provide life's most vital resource.



Food Security/Agricultural Program

Train individuals in sustainable farming methods to provide food for their families and surplus to sell at local markets.



Healthcare Program

Provide essential medicines, medical supplies and equipment in order to save lives.



Basic Relief Program

Provide basic relief support for unexpected disasters and crises such as the Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone in 2014.



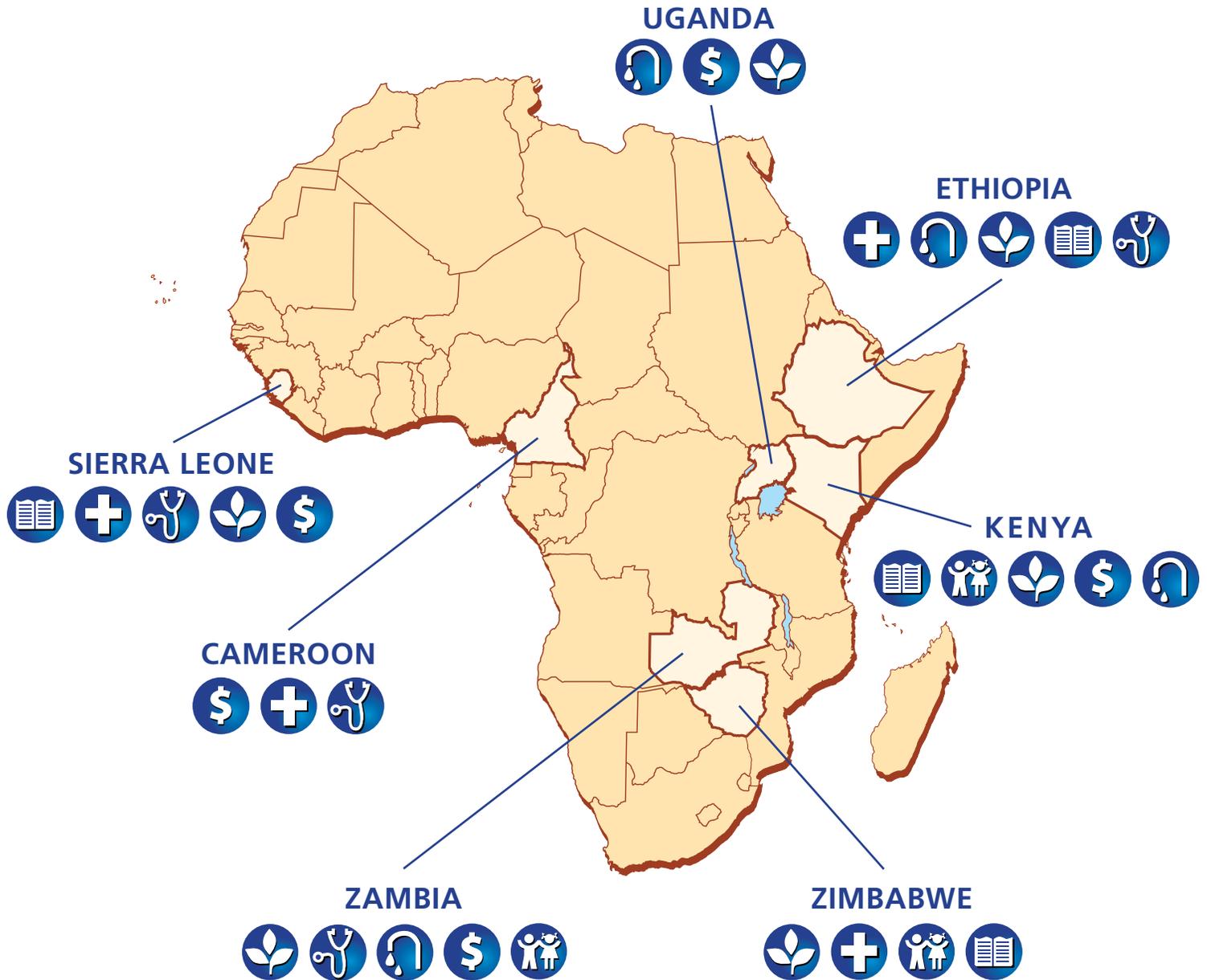
Income Generation Program

Provide the initial funding to our program partners to create income generating projects to help sustain their program's future funding needs.

“BWA you have left an indelible mark in the minds of many Sierra Leoneans during Ebola crises. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!”

Reverend Francis Mambu Executive
Director for Faith Heling Development
Organization, Sierra Leone

WHERE WE WORK



ORPHAN CARE



For nearly two decades, Bread and Water for Africa® partners operating on the grass-roots level in African villages and local communities have been working to provide loving homes for orphaned and abandoned children. This includes the basic necessities of food, clean water and health care, as well as an education so they can build a better life as they enter adulthood.

2015 ORPHAN CARE HIGHLIGHTS

- 66 orphaned and abandoned children lived at the Lewa Children's Home and received food, health care and other basic needs, an education at the Kipkeino Primary School, and a loving place to call home. (Kenya)
- 130 orphaned and abandoned children lived at the Kabwata Orphanage and Transit Centre, providing them with food, shelter and their meeting educational and vocational needs, giving them hope for the future. (Zambia)
- 250 children were fed regular meals through a feeding program operated by the Shinga Development Trust. (Zimbabwe)



Dinner time at Lewa Children's Home; Eldoret, Kenya, 2015

Kangwa Mukuka: Turning Tragedy into Triumph in Zambia



Kangwa Mukuka doesn't remember much about her life before age 7.

She does know her mother died of serious sickness, and, as for her father, he is in prison for life.

Despite a story with a tragic beginning, Kangwa is among the few fortunate ones in Zambia.

She is fortunate that she was not separated from her two younger brothers after the death of her mother.

And she, and her two brothers, are fortunate that there are people in the world such as Angela Miyanda, founder of the Kabwata Orphanage & Transit Centre, and organizations such as Bread and Water for Africa® and our supporters who make it possible for us to provide assistance to orphaned and abandoned girls and boys such as Kangwa and her brothers.

We are overjoyed to hear recently from Kangwa who is now a successful young professional working as a data entry clerk for the country's national communication company.

"Today, I am able to work because I was sent to school," she said. "It's a big achievement for me because most people would love to work in such a place."

But Kangwa isn't just thankful for her own success, but also for the thousands of lives saved by Angela with assistance from Bread and Water for Africa®

"I would like to thank you for being helpful and for your support," Kangwa told us. "Not just to me but also to the children here you have been supporting."

Kangwa reported to the "Bread and Water for Africa® team" that she and everyone there at Kabwata are so grateful for the assistance provided to the orphanage.

On behalf of all the children here at the Kabwata orphanage, I am so grateful,"

"Our mother here uses it to buy food for us, and she uses it for school fees," she said, noting it was funding provided by Bread and Water for Africa® which made it possible for her and two other girls to take a three-month computer class after graduation from secondary school and that ultimately led to her getting not just a good paying job, but allowing her to embark on the career of a lifetime.

"On behalf of all the children here at the Kabwata orphanage, I am so grateful," Kangwa said. "May the Good Lord bless you and your families."

We are so proud of Kangwa for turning tragedy into triumph and can't wait to hear in a few short years that her younger brothers are following in the footsteps of their big sister.

HEALTH CARE



Access to adequate healthcare services in communities of sub-Saharan Africa is vital to the survival of the residents there, especially infants and children under five years old and their mothers. The most common illnesses treated in 2015 included malaria, Typhoid fever, hypertension, gastritis, measles, respiratory tract infections and HIV/AIDS. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, Bread and Water for Africa® is able to provide our partners with life-saving medicines, medical supplies and equipment. In addition, our efforts in drilling wells in Sierra Leone have resulted in improved health for entire communities.

2015 HEALTH CARE HIGHLIGHTS

- 66 orphaned and abandoned children lived at the Lewa Children's Home and received food, health care and other basic needs, an education at the Kipkeino Primary School, and a loving place to call home. (Kenya)
- More than 4,500 Cameroonians benefited from health care services provided by Hope Outreach Foundation and Hope Service. (Cameroon)
- More than 11,000 people received medical care from clinics and hospitals operated by Faith Healing Development Organization, the United Methodist Church and the Christian Health Association of Sierra Leone. (Sierra Leone)
- More than 10,000 people benefit from a well drilled in the village of Waterloo, located on the grounds of a primary school which not only serves the students at the school, but a nearby clinic as well as the entire community. Having access to clean, safe water prevents waterborne diseases such as cholera, dysentery, Typhoid fever and many others. (Sierra Leone)
- More than 120,000 received medical benefits from the Haramaya University health care program through five hospitals and one clinic. (Ethiopia)



FOOD SECURITY/ ARGICULTURE



Many of the poor living in rural Africa, if they have nothing else, at least have a small tract of land to call their own. Bread and Water for Africa® partners are working to provide training on how to get the most from a small plot by using best practices and sustainable farming methods to not only provide food for their families, but in many instances, enough surplus to sell at the local market.



*Baraka Farm
worker milking
a cow; Eldoret,
Kenya, 2015*

2015 FOOD SECURITY/AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS

- 34 local farmers were trained in Napier grass management, cattle feeding, calf rearing, milking and milk hygiene through the Baraka Farm Practical Dairy Training Program. (Kenya)
- More than 250 local female farmers and 300 lactating mothers benefited by Faith Healing Development Organization's cultivation of 100 acres of rice. (Sierra Leone)
- 250 orphans and 225 elderly people and destitute families per year benefit from Hope Outreach's farming produce. In addition, the farming operation is an income-generating project for Hope Outreach to support its education and health care programs in the Bueu region. (Cameroon)

*"BWA has really
removed disgrace
from by helping me
and family survives
during these crucial
moments in the coun-
try. God bless you."*

*Emergency food distribution
program beneficiary at
Grafton, Sierra Leone*

EDUCATION



At Bread and Water for Africa® we strongly believe that educating children is not just an investment in the future of Africa – it is the future of Africa. Our partner organizations strive to get the youngest children off to the best start possible, beginning even before primary school, as well as helping young adults acquire vocational skills to build a career or even start their own business.

2015 EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

- 64 students benefited through a school fee support program offered by Shinga Development Trust. (Zimbabwe)
- 767 students received primary and secondary school education programs provided by Faith Healing Development Organization's four nurseries, four primary schools, and three secondary schools for five months after the schools reopened in February following the waning of the Ebola outbreak which had caused the schools to close for several months. (Sierra Leone)
- 460 children from the Lewa Children's Home and the surrounding area received quality nursery school and primary school education at the Kipkeino Primary School. (Kenya)
- 162 vulnerable children received financial aid for school tuition from the Lewa Children's Home outreach programs in the Eldoret and Kapserte communities. (Kenya)
- 44,938 high school and 16,696 primary school students will benefit each year from the primary and secondary school books. A total of 22,000 books were distributed to 44 high school and 17 primary school libraries. (Ethiopia)



Books to Ethiopia Leads to 100 Percent Pass Rate for University-Bound Students

Haramaya University Model School is one of the best schools in the Eastern part of Ethiopia attracting the country's best and brightest all eager to learn and succeed in life.

School principal Getahum Miliyon has every reason to be proud of all of the students attending the school – after all how many principals can report that every single student taking the university entrance exam in 2014 passed?

“This is impossible without the support of your organization, Bread and Water for Africa,®” he told us.

This past year, Bread and Water for Africa® shipped a 40-foot container filled to the brim with thousands of books for schools in Ethiopia, including the Haramaya University Model School.

Here's how Mr. Miliyon puts it:

“Concerning the importance of the books we received from Bread and Water for Africa®, what I am going to say is that they are very, very valuable, interesting and filling a knowledge gap in books for our school. As a result of these books, our students got alternative reference materials.”

The books not only benefit the students, but the teachers as well, Mr. Miliyon explained.

“The students use them to broaden their knowledge on the topic they discussed in class and to make the lesson natural.

“On the side of the teachers, the books help in many ways,” he said, such as making the lessons very attractive to students and providing them with additional resources so that the teachers themselves can increase their own knowledge on the subject with the latest facts and data and impart their wisdom on to the students.

“In general, the books that we got from Bread and Water for Africa® helped us in order to improve the performance of our students,” Mr. Miliyon told us.

Not only did all the students pass the university entrance exam, but the scores of the younger students increase as well, helping to ensure that when the time comes for them to take the university entrance exam, they will be fully prepared as well.

“Finally,” Mr. Miliyon said, “what I want to say is what Bread and Water for Africa® did for our school is something which I lost the word to express.

“So simply, thank you.”



Mr. Getahun Miliyon from Haramaya University Model School

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

In 2014 and 2015 Bread and Water for Africa® made a concerted effort to provide assistance to those battling the Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone. Bread and Water for Africa® shipped medicines, medical supplies and equipment to clinics operated by our partner Faith Healing Development Organization to ease the suffering of those who contracted the deadly virus, as well providing hundreds of Tyvek personal protection suits to valiant health care professionals literally putting their lives on the line to save the lives of their fellow countrymen.

In addition, Bread and Water for Africa® provided emergency grants to purchase basic staples to help meet the immediate demand for food and over 1,200 households received the assistance they need.



Thankfully, in 2015 the outbreak began to wane, but there was another great challenge looming – mass starvation. Due to nationwide quarantines agricultural production had to be ceased. As the farming operations resumed, Bread and Water for Africa® provided assistance for Faith Healing Development Organization to be able to significantly increase rice production on its farm by providing FHDO with a rice planter and harvester just in time for the growing season.

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THANK YOU

Thank you to the many individuals and organizations that fund our work, for your contribution of time and funds. Each gift, large or small, helps us to meet the urgent needs facing children, women, families and communities of Africa. Your loyalty and unwavering commitment to our mission helps improve the lives of so many and truly makes a difference.

Financial Statement

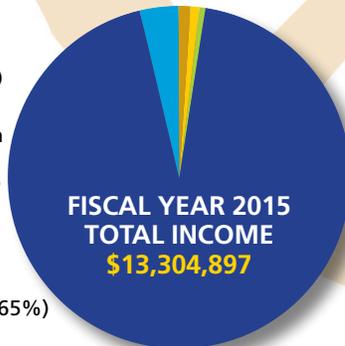
Statements of Activity-year ended June 30, 2015. The financial results depicted here are derived from the Bread and Water for Africa® June 30, 2015 audited financial statements, which contain an unmodified audit opinion. Our complete audited financial statements can be obtained at www.africanrelief.org by calling 1-888-371-6622 and requesting a copy.

"You are impacting and uplifting living standards of our people through your sponsorship. Thank you for bringing change."

Margaret Makambira, Shinga Development Trust Executive Director, Zimbabwe

SUPPORT & REVENUE

- Workplace Campaign = \$144,625 (1.09%)
- Cash Contribution from Affiliates = \$481,500 (3.61%)
- Non Cash Contribution from Affiliates = \$12,592,667 (94.65%)

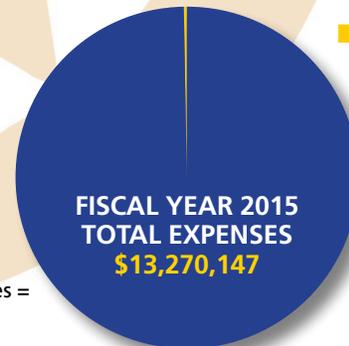


- Investment Income, Net Wills & Bequests/ Other Income = \$4,428.00 (0.04%)
- Other Cash Contributions = \$81,677 (0.61%)

- Program Services = \$13,241,688 (99.79%)

EXPENSES

- Management & General and Fundraising = \$22,922 & \$5,537 (0.21%)





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