



HOPE HAVEN  
RWANDA

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## Renewed Hope

On the mirror above my sink, you will find one of my all-time favorite Scriptures: *“Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day”* (2 Corinthians 4:16). This quarter has definitely been one of the most unique seasons in recent human history. A global pandemic has shuttered businesses, spread fear, and upended our social

interactions. In the U.S., we’ve also experienced race riots and election-related tensions. **We will remember this period in our lives as one that drove many of us to our knees in prayer.**

In spite of the chaos, many have reported that their families have experienced a closeness that they had not felt for a while. New bonds have emerged as families spend more time together. Canceling activities and working from home strengthened family ties in many healthy families. These changes forced my own family to take a new look at priorities. We recently made intentional changes to better discover and flow with God’s rhythms and pace.

As an organization, we needed to make changes as well. Significantly, we were forced to cancel our annual Fabric of Hope event in April. This created a significant shortfall in revenue. We also have shortfalls in the ways we typically serve. Most of our U.S.-based staff were due to be in Rwanda this summer. We had big plans for what God was going to do through the hearts and hands of many guests who were planning to serve alongside us. God clearly had other plans for the Fabric of Hope and for our mission summer programs. **We are all learning to trust His perfect providence.**

In the midst of the trials of the pandemic, we have seen many miracles! There are too many to share in the update, but let me assure you that God has provided in new ways. His goodness to Hope Have Rwanda has been overwhelming!

**One way God provided was through a generous match. Many of you helped us invest in 42 students who were still waiting for a Hope Angel. Spectacular!**

These miracles have been beautiful demonstrations of the Prophet Isaiah’s prophecy about Jesus. Isaiah predicted that Messiah would come and *“in his name the nations will put their hope”* (Matthew 12:21). Maintaining hope has been difficult for some during this global pandemic. **May we all remember that ultimate security comes from our hope in Jesus, not anything this world can offer.**

And, since we have that type of hope, we can give away that type of hope.

We share with others what we have experienced ourselves. God uses our hearts, our mouths and our hands to help others experience renewed hope.

**Thank you for making a difference in the lives of these vulnerable children, their families, and the community.** We are excited about the future and what God will continue to do. Let’s help Rwandan families meet hope together!

*Dr. Jason Peters, CEO*



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# OUR PROMISE

**C** **Compassion:** We will continue to love those who are suffering deeply.

**O** **Outreach:** We will reach out to anyone in need with open hearts.

**V** **Vigor:** We will work tirelessly to meet the needs of Rwandan families.

**I** **Intentionality:** We will deliberately serve without withdrawing.

**D** **Dependence:** We recognize we are all utterly dependent upon God.

## KUGABA Korner



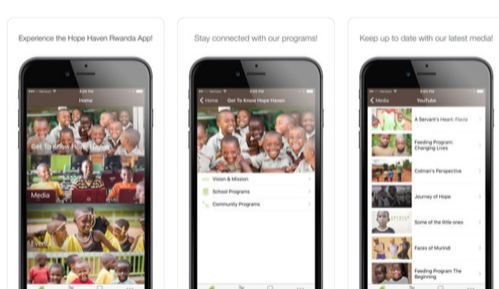
Our Kugaba family is growing! Since the beginning of April, we matched 42 more students with Hope Angels. **The challenge to find one for every student still remains, so please continue to share the program with friends and family.**

School in Rwanda is planning to resume in September and we would like to welcome each student back with a letter from their Hope Angel. **Please submit your letter by August 1** to allow time for our staff to print and organize each submission. You can log into your account by [clicking here](#). From your home page click on **My Sponsorships** in the top menu and the **New Message** icon next to your child’s name. Letter writing tips can be found [online](#).



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