

Feed my Lambs

FOOD FOR ORPHANS NEWSLETTER



Hello my Friend,

2011 is ready to end and 2012 looks to be a better year for us all. I am very appreciative of the many donors that have given thanks to God for their blessings by sharing some of their food with hungry orphans. I truly cannot do anything without you and your help. **Thank you.**

This newsletter is a brief overview and report on some of the projects you support and some of the orphans you feed.

Please remember to end the year with your



best gift yet. Every gift is fully tax deductible by the IRS, so take advantage of that by postmarking your donation or going online to make a donation before midnight on December 31st. You can make an online donation at www.foodfororphans.org.

God bless you,

Gary VanDyke

President
Food for Orphans

Food for Orphans has fed hundreds of orphans in **Central African Republic (CAR)**, a very poor country. The most recent distribution of food took place on the morning of Thurs. Nov. 13, 2011, at eight different locations. The distributed food was composed of rice and oil.

When they reach an appropriate age, the orphans are given vocational training, such as farming, sewing, or carpentry.

SEWING

The sewing apprentices continue their internships in the sewing shops in order to reinforce what they have learned so that they are prepared to enter the market place. The sewing internship is 3 months long.



CARPENTRY

Orphans in the carpentry training class are well aware that Jesus was a carpenter. The

Central African Republic Update

carpentry activities are centered around: building bunk beds, single beds, armoires, and double-caned arm chairs. The apprentices normally go to their internships, but their teacher pushed back the date because they are needed for certain activities at the Guest House.



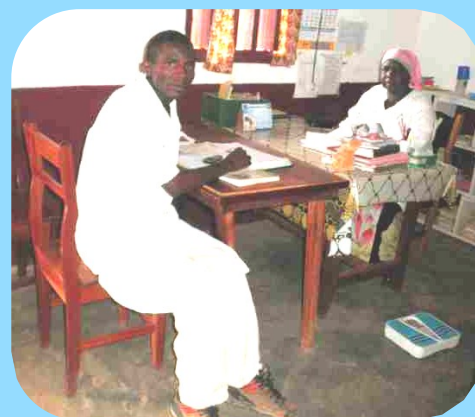
FARMING

The farming project had a good harvest this year! The building on the 350 acres has been accelerated ahead of schedule. Large machinery has begun arriving in steel shipping containers. ICDI, one of our partners in CAR, has hired local agricultural specialists to study and research the best plants to grow and make the farm an even more productive and profitable program.

HEALTH

The new nurse, Benoit, and the staff treated and helped 76 sick orphans. Some of these orphans were transferred to the pediatric clinic for supplemental exams. The orphan Françoise was admitted for an operation on her right eye. She is doing well and is receiving follow-up care.

Evodie, whom we suspected had TB, has been put on a diet for those suffering from malnutrition. With Mme. Dounia and Evodie's grandmother, she was taken to the pediatric clinic for her exams. Thankfully, the results revealed that Evodie does not have TB. She is being cared for at home with additional food to strengthen her. Please continue to pray for her health.



Peru Update

Food for Orphans supports two orphanages in **Peru, South America**. One is in **Ayacucho**, high up in the Andes Mountains, and another is just outside the capital city of **Lima**.

There are 53 children at home in Ayacucho now, an all time high. Small 11 year old **Leah** is one of the new children. Her alcoholic mother abandoned her. Beaten & starved, the neighbors reported her to officials. After 11 years of torture, she is still very sweet, but has a low self-esteem. Another new orphan, Ruben, is a newborn baby who was abandoned at the hospital.

Luis and Jose are 8 & 10 year old brothers with alcoholic parents. When police arrived at their home to pick up the boys, they found a small home with no furniture ... the parents had sold everything to buy alcohol. The boys are very small, thin, and malnourished.

Remember **Esmeralda**, the girl born with only 1/4th of a brain because her mother tried to kill her while she was still in the womb? Well, she is seven years old now, but recently had a very serious convulsion. Please remember her, the other orphans, and the orphan caregivers in prayers.



The other orphanage, **Hope House**, is our newest project and is located outside of **Lima**. 25 orphaned girls now call Hope House their home. With your generous help, part of our recent donation to Hope House was used to build and stock a chicken coop so the girls can have healthy, nutritious fresh eggs every day.

Zimbabwe Update



Zimbabwe is located on the Eastern side of sub-Saharan Africa. They report that they still have no rain, and the whole Southern part of the continent is in drought. The weather is very hot and is affecting all food

sources. All the creeks are dry so no watering of gardens is now possible. Food prices have gone up about 30% since the drought started, so please pray for rain.

The project leaders were able to buy simple porridge for the orphans to eat. But after a few weeks, they discovered that little **worms** had infested the dry porridge. With nothing else to eat, the orphans were left with no choice and had to pick out the worms and eat the tainted cereal. Our goal is to ship them healthy food.

Three orphans have been admitted to the hospital. One has a broken leg, and seven orphans have been tested positive for AIDS.

This picture is of 11 year old **Tendai**. Her mother died when she was very young and she has very little memory of her. Tendai never knew her father. She received her uniform three years ago; and as you can see, it is due a replacement. All she asked for is a new uniform ... one that fits and is not torn. After all, she's waited 3 years.



Most orphan households here lack food for even simple meals. For instance, corn meal was the only food a 98 year old woman had for her and her two orphaned great grandsons. In fact this meager food had been borrowed from a neighbor. Sometimes, a plain corn meal dinner is prepared with nothing else added ... not even salt.

We met a group of **200 orphans** there that desperately need our help. The orphans work hard at their studies, many of them having to walk 10 miles to school every day. Pray for this new group of orphans and ask God to help us raise the funds to feed them.

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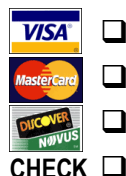
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