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# HAPPY THANKSGIVING

*from the Hollidays*



**DOUG & JENNIFER**  
SERVING CHRIST TOGETHER

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." *Philippians 1:3-4*

## Love In Action

### Hands & Feet



#### Adoption

When we *open our eyes*, we see children longing for the love a mommy and daddy provide. As we near the completion of our Haitian adoption, we know that God will use our story to encourage others to adopt as well. Many have already been asking us what would be involved for them to adopt from Open Door.

#### Caring for Orphans

We have seen God provide over \$70,000 for the orphanage this year, including the funds needed to complete the wall around the compound. We have 25 orphans at our Children's Home in need of sponsors. We are *opening our hearts* to sponsor two of them.

#### Feeding the Hungry

With the help of Feeding Children Everywhere, we are feeding 700 children a day in Haiti. We hope to help our friends Brad and Camie Matlack feed the 260 children at an orphanage they are helping in the slums in Kenya.

#### Caring for the Sick

With the help of the Hope Foundation, we are able to provide funds for a rural clinic in Kenya to provide medical care for its community. Open Door's clinic in Haiti cares for 1000 patients a month.

#### Educating Children

We have *opened our hands* to three girls in Palawan, Philippines, providing for their education. Along with Edith and Edline, we are also sponsoring their two older sisters for their education. About 250 others have joined us in sponsoring children at Open Door School in Haiti.

## SEE A NEED... MEET A NEED!

**W**e cannot say thank you enough for your investment in our ministry and our family.

God has used you, our ministry partners and friends, to continually pour out His blessing on our lives. This Thanksgiving, we are both humbled and grateful for all that our loving Heavenly Father has done for us. But blessing... and gratitude... require action.

A simple principle we have learned is this: Gratitude is the seed for generosity. Grateful people are giving people.

In 1 John 3:16-18 we are told, *"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him. Dear*

*children, let us not love with words or tongue, but with actions and in truth."*

First, we must **Open Our Eyes!** We must "see our brother in need." There are needs all around us. We must see a need first. Then we can meet it.

Second, we must **Open Our Heart!** We must "have pity" or compassion on those we see. Does Christ's heart beat inside of us?

Finally, we must **Open Our Hands!** We must use our "material possessions" and love "with actions and in truth." When we see a need, and God prompts our heart, we must take action. We must become the hands and feet of Jesus Christ in this broken and hurting world!





## RAISING UP GENEROUS GIRLS

### Christmas Shoebox Packing



Our girls had a blast packing Shoeboxes with toys, candy, school supplies, clothes, toiletries, shoes, crayons, stickers and other fun goodies for the children in Haiti. All together, our family packed 55 Shoeboxes to send to Open Door. We're hoping to send 700 total (with the help of lots of other friends and churches) so that every child at Open Door School will receive a special package this Christmas.



### Feeding Children Everywhere

Our dear friends Don and Kristen Campbell started FCE two years ago. I sit on FCE'S Board of Directors. They provide food for our ministry in Haiti, and will soon be sending food to our ministry friends in Africa. Our girls love participating in FCE food packing events, where in just a few hours volunteers will pack anywhere from 10,000 to 250,000 meals to be shipped to hungry children around the world. Our girls loved participating in FCE'S Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot 5K, where all proceeds went to help FCE feed children around the globe!



### Change The World

Back in 2003, we bought our girls their globe shaped piggy banks so they could begin to "change" the world. Money they have saved and given has helped to sponsor children for school in Haiti. They have also had lemonade stands, raked leaves and had garage sales where the money that was raised from their own work or the sale of their own things was given to help feed, clothe and educate children.

### Go Into All The World



When our girls turn 12, I take them on a global Daddy-Daughter Trip. Marisa went with me to Palawan, Philippines, where she helped with a VBS and got to experience God at work in another culture. Jaclyn went with me to Haiti over Spring Break this year, where she helped with our orphanage project and got to spend lots of time with her soon-to-be sisters, Edithe & Edline. How exciting for Jennifer and I to see our girls' hearts growing bigger as they love, serve and give, both here at home and around the world!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR UPCOMING

## Ministry Opportunities

### Youth Camps/Conferences

#### Speaking to students...

Several ministries have invited me to speak at their camps/conferences this January/February and June/July. Continue to pray for God to open up more opportunities for me to challenge youth with the message of the Gospel.

### J-Life Africa Summit

#### February 19-25 / South Africa

The J-Life Africa Leadership Summit is a strategic time for me to pour into leaders from across Africa and dream/strategize together for a continent-wide disciple-making movement. Last year, there were leaders representing 19 African nations at the Summit. I need to raise \$2000 to cover the cost of this trip.

### J-Life East Africa

#### April 18-28 / Kenya~Tanzania

Our training center in Kenya will open in January. Funds have been raised to purchase bunk beds, tables & chairs to outfit the facility. I'm eager to get back to Kenya to see the facility and meet with our leadership team, training young leaders and encouraging our team in our strategic initiatives in East Africa. I need to raise \$5000 for this project.

### NTM-Philippines

#### March 14-24 / Palawan

This will be my fifth year traveling back to the Tagbanwa tribe of the Philippines, training youth leaders and church planters with New Tribes Missions. Our team this year will also include doctors and dentists, and hopefully both Marisa and Jaclyn will join me on this trip over their Spring Break. The cost for the three of us for this trip will be \$5000.



**"Pray for us that God may open a door for our message!"**  
**Colossians 4:3**

"Thank you for praying, encouraging, giving & loving in 2011! If you want to make a special year end gift to help launch us into an exciting 2012 of ministry, all gifts are tax deductible and can be made payable to:

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