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“The most beautiful scenery in the world is when our friends come into view.”

Bob Goff

FOUNDER OF LOVE DOES

Tomorrow's
Leaders

THE POWER OF EDUCATION

Education is one of the most effective, long term ways to build peace. If the kids at our schools know peace and love and hope, we believe they will give peace, love and hope back to those around them. By investing in long term goals for these children, together we can create lasting change in areas plagued by conflict. To accomplish these goals, we purposely build schools in conflict zones. We assemble a team of amazing teachers who are passionate about taking care of the next generation and leading their countries forward. Then, we aim to equip the students with additional skills like leadership, peace building and entrepreneurship so they can enter adulthood with a strong sense of who they are and contribute to their communities for years to come.



UGANDA

Uganda



RESTORE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Restore Leadership Academy operates a nursery, primary, and secondary school in the Amuru district. This term has been off to great start and everyone is particularly excited about the Restore Leadership High School winning the Amuru District athletics for the sixth consecutive year!

A total of eight Launch Program beneficiaries have fully finished their studies and are awaiting their graduation. We have 17 continuing students and 13 vacancies that will be filled up in July.

It is with great sadness that we announce the loss of a beloved student, Laker Esther Miriam, a student at Restore Leadership High School. She passed away on June 12, 2023, after battling Sickle Cell disease. She was laid to rest at her home in Koro where staff and students from Restore Leadership High School paid their respect. In addition, Lukwiya Paul, a former chairman and board of directors, suffered a stroke on May 28, 2023, and was laid to rest on June 10. They will be deeply missed by staff, students, and friends.



UGANDA

Uganda

THERE{4} GATHERING

There{4}Gathering, an organization dedicated to inspiring the next generation of high school girls, held a mini conference solely for the girls at our safe houses. It was focused on love, confidence, and purpose. They had a beautiful day of fun, dancing, music and intentional conversation. The team remarked at how kind, joyful, and confident the girls have become. We tend to think that's the beauty of what love does.

That's what love does





SOMALIA

Somalia

EDUCATION IN SOMALIA

The second all Girls Leadership Academy launched, registering 200 underprivileged girls for the September curriculum program. Six new instructors completed 3-week training, aligning with the national education program.

The construction of the primary school in Mogadishu is nearing completion, with local contractors installing electrical wiring and windows. The school's promotional video attracted community members and parents, who visited Elman Peace in Mogadishu to enroll their children. By providing quality education, the school aims to develop social, emotional, and life skills, breaking poverty's cycle and creating a brighter future.

Elman Peace has registered 100 young girls for the 2023 middle school curriculum program, similar to the Girls Leadership Academy in Dhuusamareeb. Middle school is crucial for girls' identity, self-development, and future goals, especially for those living in poverty and facing social and emotional challenges. Access to quality education and opportunities to reach their full potential is essential.

SOMALIA

Somalia

SAFE HOUSE AND BABY HOME

The Somalia humanitarian crisis has severely impacted communities, particularly women and girls. They are disproportionately affected, with a 9% increase in gender-based violence, including domestic violence, physical abuse, and forced marriages. The crisis is linked to the increasing number of gender-based violence violations, making women and girls more vulnerable to the conflict. Elman Peace case workers have responded by sharing tools to empower the women and girls they come into contact with.

A 2-year-old girl was brought to our Baby Home by local security officials after her mother abandoned her outside a district police station. She was withdrawn and scared, unable to interact with others. After 18 days, she bonded with her caretakers, including her grandmother, who visited the baby home. Elman Peace case workers traced her extended family, and the grandmother was supported in relocating to a child-friendly home. This case highlights the potential for even the most neglected children to heal and thrive.



CONGO

Congo



PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The Aurora Primary School reopened at the end of April and students were able to finish out the school year. Schools are officially out for the summer and the teachers will be back at the end of August for their annual teacher training. Though many students have returned, families have been forced to leave the area with their children as the war has increased. As a result, enrollment numbers have gone down since the start of the war. Even in the midst of uncertainty the students are still seen smiling and singing through the hallways. The director of the Love Does school has noticed the impact and normalcy attending school has brought them. We offer psychosocial programs which continue to give them the tools to work through their pain and trauma.

The Love Does Primary School has been a pillar for many and has continued to grow and thrive. We are thankful for the amazing director and staff for creating a nurturing, safe space for our students. We are excited to continue to see how the school continues to expand.





AFGHANISTAN

Afghanistan

PRIMARY SCHOOL

The school successfully renewed its license for two years, despite the ongoing challenges in the country. Over 90% of students performed well in the second quarter of 2023, with 10% needing extra support.

The administration and teachers will spend more time with these students after school and allocate special time for summer holidays. All students can now read and write in the local language of Dari, and progress is being made in reading, writing, and speaking English.

Students in grades four and five have requested computer skills training, as they currently lack access to computers at school and home. Private schools are now being ordered to build a science lab for grades four and above. We hope to build a playground as well as add two to three additional rooms for the lab, computer lab, and dining hall/cafeteria.



AFGHANISTAN

Afghanistan

TESTIMONIAL

Salma, an 11-year-old girl in fifth grade at the Love Does Afghanistan School, has a strong desire to become a teacher. Six years ago, she and her brother collected plastic bottles from garbage dumps and helped her father make "yakhak," a local inexpensive ice-cream sold to street children. Salma's family has three brothers and one sister, with one brother having an intellectual disability. Salma has recently started teaching six children from her neighborhood, providing the space in her father's rental mud-house for them to gather in the late afternoon. She believes she can become a teacher formally one day and hopes to provide education to children who have not had a chance for a better life.

Salma is now able to read and write in Dari, Pashto, and English languages. She believes in her future and her peers, and loves all subjects, especially math and drawing. She believes in her future and those of her peers. She said poetically, "I am a little sprout from this school and I hope to grow up like a fruitful tree in the future."

She believes in her future

NEPAL

Nepal



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Our After School Program is thriving with anywhere from 50-60 students attending each week. Students are preparing for exams, while others are getting ready to graduate and move onto college.

BRICK FACTORY SCHOOL

Our Brick Factory School is not currently running as it is the off season, but we are happy to announce that we are officially in the process of opening a second Brick Factory School. We are scouting for potential locations and are excited to include kids in another community who are also in need of education.





INDIA

India

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Students at after school program in India have been promoted to the next grade since successfully finishing their school year. Due to 73 million people living under the poverty line in India, we have continued to provide daily resources including groceries, scholarships and school supplies to students and their families.

With the impact of Covid back in 2020, many students were unable to continue their studies. We are currently in the process of bringing them back to the program. We're thankful for your continued support!

We look forward to opening a Children's Home in another region in India this fall and are excited to share more details soon.



UKRAINE & POLAND



LOVE DOES SCHOOL IN POLAND

Our team in Poland hosted some of the Love Does team this quarter. We all hosted a joy festival for the kids and families!

In addition, Never Alone Widows ministry traveled to Poland and hosted a conference for the women in the refugee center.

At the school, we're currently on our summer schedule . During the summer, children have their academic classes for 2-3 hour per day followed with a fun activity. The fun activities include a weekly adventure, science experiment week with drones, VR, and 3D printers, and sports classes from swimming and dancing to soccer.

The official school year will start in September!



UKRAINE & POLAND

*Ukraine
& Poland*



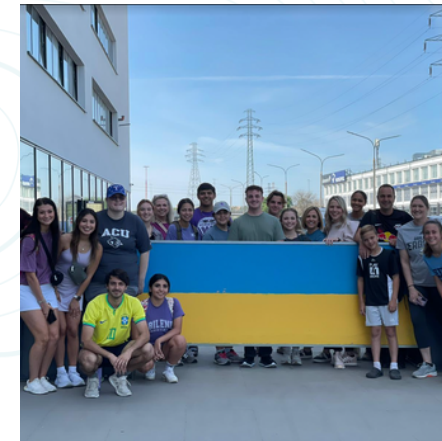
PLAY4MORE SOCCER

For years, Play4More Soccer and ACU in Abilene, TX has hosted summer soccer camps for refugee children who've resettled there. But this summer, they took their game to our refuge center in Poland, hosting a 4 day soccer camp for all the kids.

We connected the Love Does country director with the founder of Play4More soccer, Jason Morris.

“Play4More has a mission to serve refugees. That’s a core part of our project. We’re refugee soccer ball designers,” Morris said. “And so part of our outreach is doing soccer camps. And high on my list was serving those Ukrainian children coming over after migrating from their country during wartime.”

We're thankful for people who go out of their way to be love in action.



BURKINA FASO

Burkina Faso



PRIMARY SCHOOL

Education is one of the most effective, long term ways to build peace. By investing in a child's education and character development, we can create lasting change in areas plagued by conflict.

In Burkina Faso, a country with a deep history of instability, we've had the pleasure of working with a community determined to change the narrative. Watch [this video](#) to learn more about the impact this school will have!

The construction of the Primary School is now complete. The school is set to open its doors to students in October!



ISRAEL

Israel



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

We opened our doors for the After School Program in Israel on March 22nd, welcoming our first students and ended the year at capacity. In a high conflict area, opportunities for supplemental education gives hope and peace in an otherwise restless and volatile environment. The program is already proving crucial for students' overall academic performance and wellbeing. Feedback shows the kids are doing well and are experiencing a safe and loving atmosphere. The parents are thankful to have their children attend. We are brainstorming ways to expand in the upcoming year so more students can be included.

Ramzi, a shy and smart boy, joined in May. Despite his shyness, he showed potential and improved in his performance each day. But more importantly, after two visits, his teachers noticed a difference in his behavior. After three weeks, Ramzi started getting better grades and his personality changed. His mother expressed gratitude for the impact Love Does had on his life, stating that he is now happier and more focused.

With summer underway, our amazing team in Israel is planning activities which aim to empower the kids in the program and promote fun. We are also very excited to establish a library to enhance children's reading, comprehension, writing, and imagination skills.



Love for all



DOMINICAN *Dominican* REPUBLIC *Republic*

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

Our Women's Resource center is continuing to thrive creating a beautiful environment where everyone supports and encourages one another. The last few weeks were filled with celebrations. We had graduates in our Women's Center, English classes and preschools. This was the first year we had end of year celebrations in all of our programs. It's been remarkable celebrating and encouraging the women in the center.

We are excited to expand our impact with the launch of our new preschool as well as adding to our team with a new hire to help with all the logistics to keep the programs running. Plans for our new coffee shop are well underway as we start to plan the construction date.

UNITED STATES

United States



FOOD PROGRAM AND REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

The Love Does Mobile Food Pantry has fed over 8,000 people, hired a driver, packed 50,000 meals, hosted a luncheon, and collaborated with Feeding San Diego.

We have continued to expand our resettlement program to include homeless families, sheltered Monarch school students, young moms, and Ukrainian families.

We had an incredible night serving with our community and friends from Lifeline and CityView Church packing 30,000 meals. Each meal contained beans, rice, protein powder, fruits and vegetables.

We evacuated two adults from Ukraine for a reunification with their loved ones in the US and we resettled a family in Brazil.

Monique, a Monarch mom, faced homelessness for years, living in cars with her four children. Her faith and prayers led to the resettling of her family. We had the chance to provide each child with a bed, something they asked Santa for. Changing their lives and inspiring ours that hope is never lost.



UNITED STATES

United States

PRISON PROGRAM

San Quentin

We are continuing our StoryTellers Workshop. We have seen so much personal growth and reflection in the inmates. Our scholarships were announced this Spring! 5 inmates were awarded scholarships to further pursue their education.



UNITED STATES

United States

LOVE DOES HOME

The Love Does Home opened in March, and now serves 3 first time single moms. Two of the three recently graduated and are starting college. A Mother's Day event at the park attracted over 20 moms, and life skills workshops were launched in June. The organization offers monthly workshops, access to the Love Does Boutique, and weekly food assistance to moms in need in the community.

The increase in young moms applying for housing highlights the need for increased accessibility. The Love Does Boutique and food distribution have made a significant impact, and more programs are needed to support more mothers.

A 30-year-old mom with four kids, including twins, was encouraged by a local college student at Love Does Boutique. Despite the clothing being for babies and toddlers, she found a few items for her family, including groceries and a linen jacket for her son. "While it may not be the most practical thing, Luke adores his coat and says it is never coming off." The boy felt special and grateful for the support provided to moms and their families.





THANK YOU

Thank you

Thank you for loving and advocating for our friends around the world. Thank you for taking action. Thank you for giving, praying, and sharing. You are making a difference and we couldn't do any of the work we do without you.

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