



# Q3 2023 IMPACT UPDATE

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#### WELCOME

### **NEW PARENT PARTNERS**

This past quarter we celebrated the Parent Partnership of three children. Thank you to these special families who answered God's call to serve these orphaned and abandoned children.



We still have four children who need Parent Partners. Are you interested in stepping into the life of a child in need of a loving family, from your home? We would love to talk to you more about this life-transforming opportunity!









#### STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITY

## NEXT STEPS UPDATE

We are thrilled for veterinarian Next Steps student Mengsue! Mengsue arrived in Israel this past week to kick off a year-long adventure in a study-abroad program, Agrostudies, for agricultural students from countries like Cambodia. His friends from the Next Steps discipleship group gathered to wish him well and will miss him. Pastor Sihok and fellow Next Steps Student Buntheang joined Vannsing, Mengsue's brother, to send him off at the airport. This year will be a challenge for Mengsue as he adjusts to a new life, but he is prepared and looking forward to the amazing opportunities ahead of him in Israel. We're proud of you and praying for you, Mengsue!









#### FUNDRAISER SUCCESS

## TENNIS AND PICKLE FOR SUSAN

In August, we hosted our 6th Annual Tennis and Pickle for Susan event at Marietta Country Club and Oregon Park. More than 120 champions came out to support us and enjoy a day of friendly competition . . . on the courts *and* in the auction, raising a total \$60,000! Wow!

We want to send a very sincere thank you to all who supported this event through donations, prayer, and participation. Your support will truly impact so many lives, as you can see in the Impact Board below. You are championing a brighter future for these wonderful children God allows us all to serve.











**OPEN DOORS THROUGH** 

**ENGLISH LEARNING** 



NEXT STEPS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS



MISSION TEAM LEADERS TO Serve our partners



LOVE OFFERING FOR OUR MISSION PARTNERS



THE GIFT OF LEARNING MUSIC



RETREATS FOR NEXT STEPS STUDENTS AND DISCIPLESHIP LEADERS



#### LADIES NIGHT WITH MO AIKEN

## CHAMPION EVENTS

Our Associate Board and partner church, NorthStar, hosted "Ladies Night with Mo Isom-Aiken" in July. The evening included a special time of worship, an uplifting message from NY-Times Bestselling Author and speaker Mo, the sharing of the story of Miriam, a young lady in our Next Steps Program who found Purpose and is flourishing in nursing school, and a time of dessert and fellowship. Over 120 attendees left blessed, motivated, and encouraged.

Our team has already seen the amazing results of God's work in this event, including several who committed to and are now Parent Partners, and over \$13,500 raised for our Next Steps Program.









#### THE GARDEN PARTY AND NORTHSTAR MICROEVENT

### **CHAMPION EVENTS**

In June, Doug and Sherry Anderson hosted a beautiful evening in their home to thank our amazing Next Steps Scholarship Program supporters. Special guests, Sokion and Katie Ki, shared stories of their work as our discipleship pastors in Cambodia and the impact, not only in the lives of the students, but in their lives as well. Our attendees also enjoyed a special message from Guatemala Next Steps discipleship pastors, Weslye and Keren Salguero, and from the students they serve. Thank you Next Steps Champions!

This past September, our team hosted a gathering with NorthStar Church in the home of Jason and Tara Nieves. Tara recently traveled with Tracy to Guatemala to visit her partnered child and shared her experience and her heart for serving with Saving Susan Ministry. Jay Arntzen then shared his vision for Guatemala as we look to expand our reach to more children in need of loving Parent Partners and opportunities in education.

We love partnering with like-minded churches as we all strive to follow Jesus' words in The Great Commission: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you..." (Matthew 28:19-20)

















#### MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT

# CAFO CONFERENCE

In September, Tracy Arntzen and Adam Reiley traveled to Oklahoma City to attend the annual CAFO (Christian Alliance for Orphans) Summit. There, Tracy presented in two workshop sessions on healthy connections of churches with nonprofit ministries. Both leading and attending provided us with the opportunity for encouragement, prayer, sharpening, learning, and fellowship with over two thousand likeminded believers committed to serving and bringing light to orphaned and vulnerable children across the world. What a blessing to experience such an uplifting event!









#### **EVENT INVITATION**

### **GREEN TIE GALA**



#### SAVE THE DATE

### 2024 TEAM TRIPS



