



News with Seeds in HIS Garden

It has been an epic year for everyone around the world With the unceasing stories of COVID-19. Every continent has been affected physically, emotionally, educationally, spiritually and financially. People around the world have been shutdown, shut ins, shut outs, until they are ready to shout. 2020 will go down in history for change.

In one year, people's everyday movements, activities and lives have been upended. There has been death and loved ones are missed, loss of jobs,

loss of income, loss of some of our favorite places to unwind, be educated, or express ourselves, and clearly a "feeling" of a loss of freedom. Seeds in His Garden is no different.

Change is difficult, but it should be expected. Some beg for it while others reject it. What is undisputed is..."CHANGES" will always be with us, still I am assured my CREATOR remains faithful, loving, patient, forgiving, and is always there, despite COVID-19 or whatever challenges are presented.

Journey of Change

By Rebecca Adams

In 1998, I left with two suitcases filled with passion, and my white boxer who despite all the odds began the journey to create a difference in lives of children in Kenya. It was, and still is my hope that others will see what one person can accomplish. With the support and prayers from those who believed in the mission, lives have been touched, healed and transformed. So many prayed, supported **Seeds In His Garden (SIHG)** financially, visited, and volunteered.

Their faith, hope and love have allowed SIHG to accomplish its work. Everyone who participates along the journey in the change for Kenyan kids will be blessed with the knowledge they participated in helping SIHG create a healthier and improved future for children. The children at SIHG are not forgotten and are grateful for the mercies upon their little lives. Thank you ALL for your unwavering support and unceasing prayers. It is never too late to be part of something extraordinary.

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Change brings labor and sustenance



WEEDS TO DIRT TO FOOD

Seeds in HIS Garden feeds 50-70 people every day. Our farm produce foods for lunch and dinner. It provides employment to those who otherwise have none and families to feed. It provides a learning tool for children and adults alike and has admirers and followers from around the world.

Change brings altering uses



FROM DIRT TO SEED TO TREE TO FLOWER TO LUSH

Using excavated dirt, SIHG built a mound with vegetation. We cleared the garbage and weeds and developed the SIHG Arboretum that teaches the children about trees, plants, flowers, grass, birds and bugs; plus, creates a peaceful place for all to enjoy, learn and cultivate the wonders of what small seeds and growth brings.

Change brings creativity

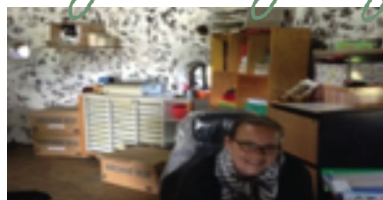


FROM RUBBISH TO RECYCLE TO UPCYCLE

From the tons of plastic bottles that we and others around SIHG accumulated we made a temporary vegetable cooling shed – no refrigeration needed. Trucks arrive the same day and it is at least 20° cooler inside. Plastic was filled with dirt, sand and 20% cement. We lined the bottles up and surrounded with cement a flat metal bar. It has led to successful pickups by buyers and clean and cool product for transport. The result of this project aided in our agricultural project that provides income to aid with more for the children.



Change brings effective building methods



FROM DIRT TO EARTH BAG BUILDINGS

From the tons of surrounding dirt we made our first earth bag building using polyurethane bags, dirt, straw, red soil, black cotton, sand, cement, cow manure (no smell), and palm leaves for the roof. Yeah! We now have a fully functioning office with power for lights and internet. We do pray every day for power (50% cost = 300% output to the kids).

Change brings transformation



Eugene before



Eugene after

FROM SICK TO WELL TO HAPPY TO SUCCESSFUL

From fearful to freedom, abused to safety, bruised to bold, hopeless to successful – these pictures are worth a thousand words. We all wish this for ALL people but especially children. Why not be part of remarkable people who are defying the odds. These children have less access to programs and assistance and are making a difference in our world.



Morgan before

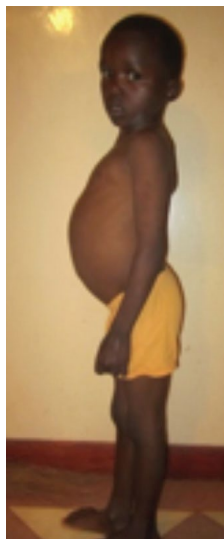


Morgan after

Change brings unlimited opportunities

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His Garden this is a key element to the development of any child that enters our doors. We ask questions, determine where they have been, and over time where they are wanting to go by assisting them in establishing reasonable and attainable goals. Some operate at full speed ahead into the opportunity and don't waste a moment in gathering more information, self-discipline, or wanting to be better at whatever they are doing. It is not only their future but the future of the society that they are living in that benefits from their decisions. Some take that opportunity and they run, push, stress, enjoy, engage, seek results. We do NOT always know who will take the new adventure and use it wisely, but what we do know, no opportunity will offer little or no chance at all to carry on and be productive for self or others.



STAY TUNED for what happened to this malnourished, physically abused boy of eight. Where is he now? What does the future look like? How are his decisions being made? What can he expect? What can we expect? What can YOU DO to help this boy and others?

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INTENTIONAL GIVING – for your consideration

- Find your passions or where your heart often returns
- What will be the impact? Is there a history?
- How will it impact you?
- What will be the impact on your giving?
- What will be the impact on charity?
- What will be the impact on the world?
- Do not become too strategic – look at immediate needs.

We live our life intentionally, why not give the same way? Randomness often lends to giving less and receiving less results.

“The meaning of life is to find your gift.

The purpose of life is to give it away.” – Pablo Picasso

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PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Safety** – Election Year in Kenya, child abuse rescues
- **Children** – Health – (Angel, Luke, Morgan, L. Paul), Education -
- **Community** – FGM Programs, Teen Pregnancy (Covid-19), Rescues
- **Linda** – Health (personal and parent's) Leadership (support and wisdom)
- **Becky** – Health and transition in U.S.
- **Staff** – Commitments, training and incentive programs
- **Finances** – Sufficient to meet the current commitments and future goals

GOVERNMENT MANDATE for COVID-19 – Around the world, effects of being shut down or shut in are felt. For SIHG, we have been in a government lock down since March as a home for children. No one in or out, except for essentials. Protocols in place for those in. No outside support or construction crews permitted until lock down is released from government order. Current order – stay in or be out. Linda does essential shopping and is careful to keep social distance. Some of the children have low immune systems and need protection from outside carelessness.

Countless projects for consideration

“Let him that would move the world first move himself.”

– Socrates

Some of these projects are used as training tools for larger projects. These projects are thought out and planned sometimes years in advance. Some projects are to increase funding into the home, such as the farm, goats, and dogs; while some projects are for the development of the children, such as the fitness center, or dogs which are helpful in confidence building and therapy. Some projects are designed to bring about vocational skills for staff or children who chose or may have been unable to continue in the mainstream academics. All projects are designed for a much larger picture than just our site and children; they often serve the community around us. Do any of these projects interest you? We can share our challenges and dreams, needs, objectives, we ask that you communicate with us. What you would like to see or know more about? *There are additional project – please ask for a complete list.*

- Children Education
- Children – Social & Physical
- Activities
- Buildings – Developments and Repairs
- Permaculture Projects – Water, Trees, Tilapia, Forests
- Self-sustaining Projects
- Agriculture
- Animals
- U.S. Fund-raising support teams
- Staff Support
- Administrative Support

“I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the water(ocean) to create many ripples.”

– Mother Teresa



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Change brings unlimited opportunities

No school and no promise of it to come often leads to no hope for a future and therefore no contribution to others. When one thinks of education there are more often our own memories although some have been created from outside sources. There are visuals from our past that we can draw from, maybe friends, teachers, subjects, sports, or exactly what we learned and who taught us. When we are operating from the future and reflect to particular times of our education, we have our opinions and then we also carry facts. What happens when the education available is purely what life throws at you? Let's say that you have been abandoned at an early age, and the streets and those living on them, welcome you. At five years old you gladly accept this open acceptance, freedom, and sense of belonging. You are happy! You reason in your mind what is scary and what is sad, or painful, for the feeling of having friends and someone who appears to care about you. There are millions of children around the world that experience this

“Since you get more joy out of giving joy to others, you should put a good deal of thought into the happiness that you are able to give.”

– Eleanor Roosevelt

daily. New child recruits join every day in the life of street knowledge and an education that takes you nowhere. Glue and drugs numb the feelings that increase as you begin your “journey of belonging”, but only to those who are on the same path. Certainly, some have chosen, even after an education, a life that is void of their passion to make a difference for self or others. However, many have not been given any other options. Those on the streets share often their desire for an education. For many it is almost too late as drugs to numb have affected their cognitive abilities. What are the effects in a society without education? Do we need to be reminded? Please take a moment and see what comes to mind when the word education is being read, or spoken, or presented as a topic? Is it this? Of course not! But many find that the streets are their school. It is all they have known and for many it will be all they will ever know or have memories of. At **Seeds in**

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Our mission is to provide care for abused, neglected, needy, abandoned and orphaned children in Kenya and prepare them to be Africa's future leaders. We seek to provide the children with physical, emotional, academic and spiritual tools needed to develop their full potential.

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