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#### Friends:

We have had much to celebrate in 2017: the continued health and growth of our vibrant Joy Village families; the dynamic Youth Mentor Program at Holy Family Center; the dawning of a new program to shepherd our Allamano students through the eighth grade; and the thousands of lives touched by your generosity through Boxes of Love, medical and nutritional aid, counseling, and prayer - a season shining with hope and promise that would not have been possible but for your faithful partnership.

I am humbled. Each year the mission we began over fourteen years ago sprouts another dream and another and another. And each year, your love and support flow in to nourish those dreams, to cultivate life-saving grace in a parched land.

The work we have done in 2017 has laid a strong, spirit-filled foundation for many exciting opportunities in the coming seasons. Our summer pilgrimage team helped prepare meticulous records for all of our Joy Village children so that we can continue to provide the unique support and guidance each one

needs to grow into a meaningful future. The explosive success of HFC's Youth Mentorship Program has sent shock waves of hope throughout the country, calling to attention a whole new generation of fighters in our shared battle against HIV and AIDS.

We are overwhelmingly blessed, in our calling and in you. We can't thank you enough for sharing this Kingdom vision with us, and for believing in all that could be. The difference you make is eternal.

In Him,

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Jim Wood Founding Board Member Tree of Lives





Dear Tree of Lives Partner:

It is our pleasure to provide you Tree of Lives' Annual Report for 2017, and to thank you for your support of this ministry with your prayer, time and talents, during this past year. We look forward to your support during 2018 and beyond.

Our ministry was blessed with an outstanding year. We sent 3 teams of pilgrims to Kenya to observe and participate in our ministries during 2017, and again have 3 trips planned for 2018 in January, June and October. I would love the opportunity to share more about these pilgrimage opportunities or share the wonderful work God is doing through Tree of Lives.

The Joy Village now house 61 terrific children, in families headed by loving Christian mothers. We added to the members of the 167 Club, those who donate \$2,000 to support one child in the Joy Village for one year, to provide holistic support (housing, schooling, clothing, food and education, among other things). We hope to complete building out the 167 Club in 2018, with one partner supporting each child in the Joy Village. We completed another year of the Mother to Mother program at the Holy Family Center, where, for the seventh year, not a single newborn infant contracted HIV from an HIV+ mother in the program. This performance dramatically exceeds the average for such programs. In addition to funding from Tree of Lives, we applied for and received a matching grant from the Norfolk Kiwanis Club, to expand and further improve the Mother to Mother program.

We also expanded the Youth Mentor Program at the Holy Family Center, by training youth mentors to help their peers who are HIV+ to be compliant with their drug regimens and live full and productive lives. These programs, to name just a few of the ministries of Tree of Lives, are made possible only by your support – by undergirding us with prayer, and by your donations of your time, money and talents. We cannot thank you enough for your support, which makes an eternal difference in the lives of those we together serve.

We hope you will enjoy reading and learning more about the ministries your partnership makes possible. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me, or any of the members of the Board.

Blessings,

Steve Story President Tree of Lives



# OUR MISSION

TREE OF LIVES SERVES THE POOREST OF THE POOR IN GOD'S KINGDOM BY CREATING & SUPPORTING PROGRAMS THAT STRENGTHEN THE AFRICAN FAMILY.

## OUR HISTORY



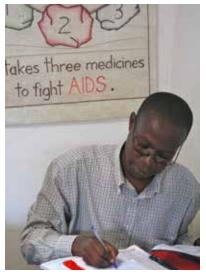
The number of patients increased and demand began to grow. The hospital opened a new wing.

1972



Medical missionaries Richard & Judith Brown helped establish Holy Family Center for HIV/ AIDS treatment on the grounds of the Nazareth Hospital.

2001



A a stand-alone facility for the Holy Family Center was constructed on the grounds of Nazareth Hospital.

2002

#### 1964

Nazareth Hospital was started by the Consolata Missionary Sisters as a small dispensary to meet the needs of the rural population around Riara Ridge.



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#### 1999

The Consolata Sisters handed the hospital over to the Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (FIHM), to continue with the healing ministry.



#### 2001

Nazareth Hospital began to provide HIV/AIDS services in 2001 under the direction of Drs. Richard & Judith Brown.





First Presbyterian Church in Norfolk, Virginia became involved in the Browns' work in Kenya and helped expand opportunities at Nazareth Hospital and the Holy Family Center.

2003



2005

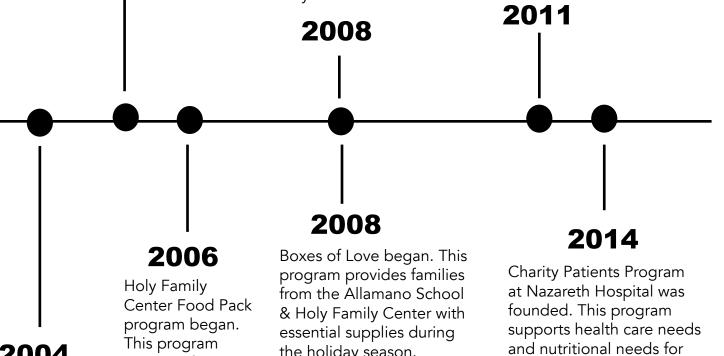


ICU opened at Nazareth Hospital to care for the critically ill.



Tree of Lives & Nazareth Hospital pooled their resources to open Joy Children's Village, a family-modeled orphanage to care for abandoned, abused and neglected children of Kenya. 167 Club was founded.

the neediest of patients.





Tree of Lives was founded to provide financial and medical support for the doctors, administrators and patients of the Holy Family Center.



This program provides food packs & formula tins so patients have enough to eat.

the holiday season.



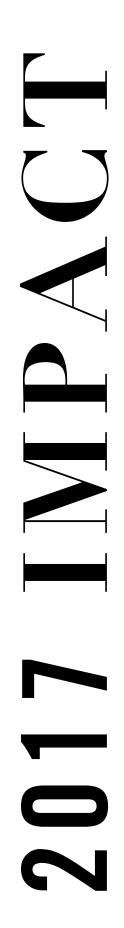
# OUR VISION

WE HAVE A VISION WHERE ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN CAN CLAIM THE PROMISES OF JESUS WITHOUT WORRY FOR MEDICAL CARE, EDUCATION, FOOD OR A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE.









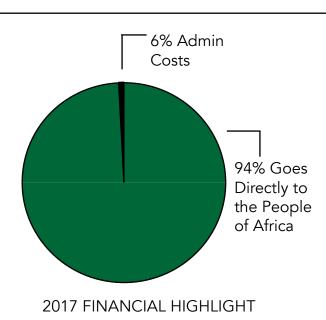
### 2017 Financial Highlights

#### Consolidated Statement of Activities

Revenue	
Cash Contributions	233,331
167 Club/Joy Village Child Sponsorship	59,422
Special Events Revenue	29,558
Grants	3,000
TOTAL REVENUE	325,311
Expenses	
Administrative	19,031
Kenyan Based Grants	147,231
Nazareth Hospital Charity Fund for Needy Patients	
Holy Family Center Youth Program	
Holy Family Center Food Pack & Infant Milk	
Holy Family Center Patient Support	
Boxes of Love	
Mother to Mother Program	8,000
Allamano School	
Chogoria Women of Worth	11,821
Slum Child Foundation for Korogocho Children's Support Program	4,000
Mutomo Children's Feeding Program	15,000
Mutomo Youth Mentorship	4,100
Nazareth Hospital Pastoral Care & Counseling	
Consolata Mentorship	
Joy Village	88,000

#### TOTAL EXPENSES





## In 2017...

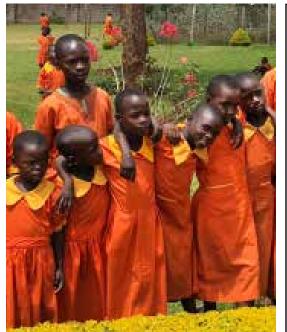
from the Joy Village continued their education at boarding school, which they would not be able to attend without Tree of Lives' support. 2 YOUTH mentors were added to the Holy Family Peer Counseling Center to mentor HIV+ teens and help encourage drug therapy, social outings and fundraising.

250 FAMILIES at the Allamano School and Holy Family Center were given rice, flour, soap, oil, sugar and shoes for 8 weeks through Boxes of Love.

HIV transmission rate for 151 children born to HIV+ mothers through the Mother to Mother program.

Through your generous gifts, last year Tree of Lives was able to bring healing, fulfillment and purpose through His Word to the neediest in Kenya.

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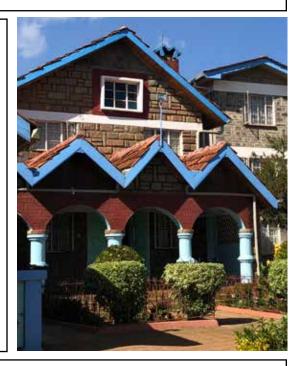


#### ALLAMANO SCHOOL

- Provided a Box of Love to every student at the Allamano School. Each box contained enough food and supplies for the child's entire family for one month.
- Completed renovations at the Allamano School, including a new roof and painting the buildings.
- Created a new program to oversee the education of students upon finishing the Allamano School at third grade. This year the program placed fourteen students into individually selected day schools where they will receive support, guidance and mentorship from 4th-8th grade.

#### JOY VILLAGE

- 61 children received unconditional love, education and support under the care of six mamas.
- 17 children who needed dental cleanings and dental work received treatment.
- In an effort to foster relationships with their biological families, 57 children had home visits during the summer and winter holidays.
- Completed renovations on the seventh house, planning for future growth of the Joy Village. Currently, the house is used for Tree of Lives pilgrims when they come to spend time with the families.





#### NAZARETH HOSPITAL

- Helped 150 needy patients through the Charity Fund in 2017. This fund helps supplement and pay for medical services.
- The Kenya Medical & Dental Board granted Nazareth an upgraded status, allowing the hospital to now offer specialized services. The higher classification also allows Nazareth patients to get better benefits through the National Hospital Insurance Fund.
- In recognition of their services to the people of Kenya, Nazareth Hospital was presented with a new ambulance.
- More than 3,600 patients were counseled by our Nazareth Hospital pastoral counselors.



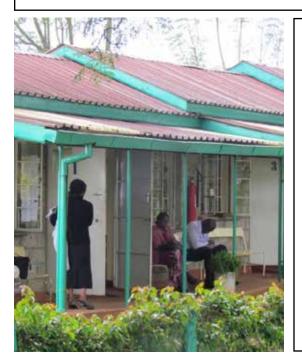
#### TEEN PROGRAMS

- Held first annual Nazareth Youth Platform retreat. This event brought together youth and young adults from surrounding clinics to develop peer leaders, share best practices on HIV care and treatment, and build community.
- Youth Mentors visited elementary schools and presented programs on HIV prevention and how to handle diagnosis of family members.
- Provided 1,200 HIV+ youth with counseling, fellowship opportunities and incomegenerating skills and training.

#### **MOTHER 2 MOTHER**

- Launched a full-family counseling service and social activities that included fathers and siblings, as well as the mothers.
- 100% success rate of non-HIV+ children born to HIV+ mothers. All 151 births resulted in a negative HIV test at age one of the children.
- Rolled out satellite clinics that also produced a 100% success rate in non-HIV+ births to HIV+ mothers.





#### HOLY FAMILY CENTER

- Distributed 175 food packs (rice, oil, flour) per month to needy families.
- Provided 10 baby formula tins per month to needy orphaned babies and children whose mothers were not able to care for them.
- Assisted 65 patients per month in receiving treatment and supplies such as lab tests, scans, drugs and medication, ultrasounds, transportation and consultation fees.
- More than 4,000 HIV+ patients received medical testing, counseling and food support.

## OUR MAJOR DONORS

We extend tremendous gratitude to our generous and valued donors. We rely on the help of many donors, partners and individuals. There is no better community of support than the special donors who make Tree of Lives ministries thrive.

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## SPONSOR A CHILD Support the 167 club

Change the life of a child! It takes \$167 each month to provide housing, food, clothing, medication and education to each Joy Village child. Help us help the children by joining the 167 Club and providing for all or some of these essential needs.100% of your donation will go towards the care of children. Visit **treeoflives.org** to find out how you can make a difference!



Jesus + a mother's love = priceless