

IMAGINE A WORLD WHERE EVERY CHILD HAS A FAMILY.



2019 ANNUAL REPORT



BEYOND WHAT THE WORLD IMAGINED.

YOUR FAITHFUL GIFTS WERE A LIFELINE FOR CHILDREN IN A YEAR OF SEVERE DROUGHT.

Reflecting on 2019, I can see God's hand moving in the midst of a very difficult year for the country of Zambia. You may have heard last year that Zambia faced its worst drought in forty years, resulting in the widespread collapse of crops, plummeting wages, and doubled food prices. The country was teetering on the brink of a famine with no end in sight.

That is exactly when your faithful gifts became a lifeline for every one of the babies and children we serve. Through shelter, food, and education, you showed 2,688 children that God's love is bigger than the challenges they are facing.

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Children who lost family were rescued and adopted. Families in crisis found food relief and earned their first kwacha with new job skills. And children who would never have attended their first day of school marched through town to celebrate their graduation day.

These are more than victories—they are miracles! These life-affirming moments went beyond what the world imagined or expected in the midst of severe drought. Together we demonstrated that whenever the family of God shows up, God shows up, too. And we know "with God all things are possible" (Mt. 19:26).

This annual report shares how you were part of God's work in Zambia on behalf of orphaned and vulnerable children in 2019. Thank you for being a vital part of helping thousands of children survive the drought and grow up in secure families, schools, and communities.

I will never forget my first year as the executive director of ACE. As we look to the year ahead, I am so glad to be on this journey with you and look forward to seeing where God leads us!

In gratitude,

GABRIEL WALDER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

IN THE FACE OF **BIG CHALLENGES...**



6 in 10

Zambian children growing up below the household global poverty line of less than \$2 per day.



200%

Rise in the cost of food staples in a year's time, now entirely out of reach for families experiencing poverty.



#5

Zambia's ranking amongst the hungriest countries in the world, called an 'alarming' level by the World Hunger Index.



2.3 million

Zambians living on the brink of starvation due to the drought, with 430,000 living in an 'emergency' situation.

...YOU SHOWED GOD'S LOVE.



32

Orphaned and abandoned babies rescued in our crisis nurseries, and forty-five who joined permanent families through reintegration, foster care, or adoption.



369

Children protected from family separation in our Family Preservation and Empowerment Program.



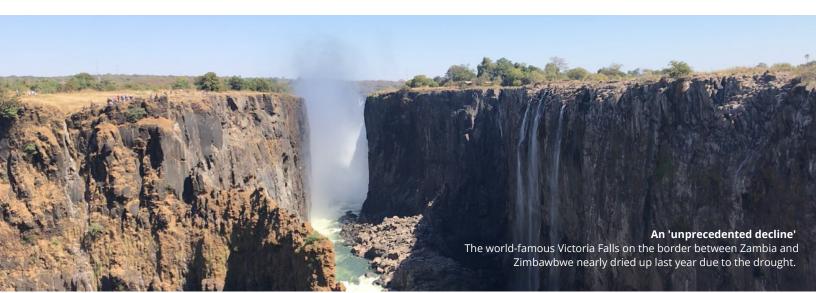
2,237

School-aged children who received education and a daily meal at our FaithWorks primary schools and HDCS secondary school.



748,808

Hot lunches served to students. You support one of the largest school feeding programs in the city, serving almost as many students as the government in Lusaka.









Your impact on the kingdom in 2019

Thank you for helping children like Baby Naomi from Give the Gift of Family; the Phiri triplets from #GivingTuesday; and Matildah from Team with Teachers

YOU STOOD UP FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

In 2019, you gave generously to our campaign appeals to meet the urgent needs of the children and families we serve. Your gifts provided help to 2,688 children in Child Welfare, Family Preservation and Empowerment, and Education programs.

Mothers in Need of a Miracle (April) protected Zambian mothers and children from separation due to poverty, and enrolled them in the Family Preservation and Empowerment Program. You gave \$10,590 of the \$10,000 goal!

Our **HDCS campaign** (April) covered tuition so every Grade 12 student made it to their graduation day. **You gave \$9,806** of the \$10,000 goal!

Team with Teachers (September) provided daily food and education to every one of our FaithWorks primary school students. **You gave \$21,751 of the \$20,000 goal!**

#GivingTuesday (November) gave emergency food relief to FPEP families experiencing hunger. **You gave \$17,540** of the \$5,000 goal!

Give the Gift of Family (Nov. to Dec.) provided safe shelter to orphaned and abandoned children and set them on a path toward permanent families through reintegration, fostering, and adoption. You gave \$128,055 of the \$100,000 goal!

Thank you for helping children and families in Zambia!

FINANCES

OPERATING EXPENSES

71% Program Services

15% Admin

14% Fundraising



PROGRAM SERVICES

48% Child Welfare

40% Education

12% Family Preservation & Empowerment



Private cash Public grants Gifts-in-kind	\$517,336 \$854,432 \$140,000	\$550,556 \$471,705 \$232,000
Total revenue	\$1,511,768	\$1,254,261
OPERATIONS	2018	2019

2018



Total expenses

REVENUE





\$1,415,442

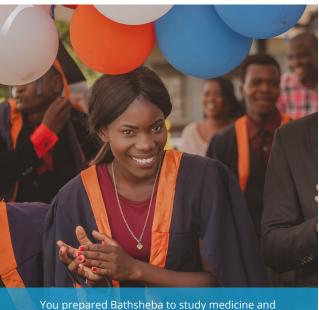


\$1,179,191

2019

You rescued baby Justin from danger and brought him into a loving family.





provide life-saving care to her neighbors.

YOU **CHANGED LIVES.**

CHILD WELFARE

In the middle of the night, a married couple were startled awake by a noise just outside their window. They discovered an infant boy lying alone on the ground, wrapped in a blanket and crying his eyes out. The couple rushed him to the hospital where he was examined and monitored for a few days.

Once discharged, baby Justin came to the House of Moses in July for safe shelter. After police exhausted all efforts to locate his biological family, baby Justin was cleared for adoption. In October he went home for the first time and is thriving. Thank you for giving Justin safe shelter and a path toward family.

FAMILY PRESERVATION AND EMPOWERMENT

Mrs. Mulenga came to us after giving birth to her twins. She was unable to produce enough breast milk to feed them, as she herself struggled with food insecurity and hunger. Unable to afford the high cost of infant formula, Mrs. Mulenga's twins were in danger. Thanks to you, we immediately provided Mrs. Mulenga with emergency food relief including formula.

When the babies grew a little more, Mrs. Mulenga began to attend tailoring classes. "This has always been a dream of mine," Mrs. Mulenga told us recently. "I am saving money to buy a sewing machine so I can sell the clothes that I make." Thank you for helping to make Mrs. Mulenga strong for her children!

EDUCATION

Bathsheba was raised by a single mother in one of the poorest neighborhoods in Lusaka. As a child, she remembers waiting in long lines to see a doctor. Without a permanent clinic in the neighborhood, Bathsheba saw her neighbors die in line before they could get help.

Thanks to you, she attended school at HDCS and became the first in her family to graduate from secondary school. Bathsheba has begun her university studies and plans to open a medical clinic in the neighborhood where she grew up. "I want to help millions," she says. **Thank you for helping this bright young woman a to a make a difference in the world.**



WE ARE SO **GRATEFUL FOR YOU!**

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We want to express our deep gratitude for the faithful leadership

of Cari Armbruster as the outgoing executive director; and Sandra Levinson as the co-founder of programs in Zambia and outgoing Director of Church Relations and Partnerships. **We love you both and thank God for you!**









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