



Planting Hope International

“Improving agriculture, education, and health in developing countries”

December 2022 Newsletter. Hello from Floyd and Gayle Dowell and Planting Hope International!



In Memory of Carldon Broadbent (1930-2021). I first met Mr. Broadbent (3rd from the left wearing a white shirt) in about 1995 when we began working with agricultural missions in developing countries. He was a school teacher and farmer in the Beloit area. Mr. Broadbent donated a 8N Ford Tractor that we shipped to Africa University in 1996 and was a faithful donor to our work. He was a quiet man, but gave us valuable guidance when we were forming our current charity. We are honored that Mr. Broadbent left a portion of his Estate to our charity, and we honored him by establishing a Usahwira four-year scholarship at Africa University in Zimbabwe.



A student we supported in Malawi that now has Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences!

Education. We continue to place a priority on educating the future leaders of developing countries where we work. The young man in this picture recently received his degree in Environmental Sciences in Malawi. He had been identified through a group we work with in South Africa, Children in the Wilderness, as a bright student when he was about 10 years old. He had no parental support and we began helping him when he started college. One neat thing about his story is that we supported him for a few semesters and he did so well that he got a scholarship for the rest of his education!

We also recently partnered with LivingStone International University in Uganda. We reconnected with friends James and Heidi Morrill and we sought James' advice in supporting work there. James is on faculty at LivingStone

and was able to help us identify students that needed funding. We really like these connections where someone we know and trust can help us identify students.

Health. Our main emphasis in health work has been in helping with operating funds for the clinic at Eden Children's Village in Zimbabwe, and funding emergencies as they arise. One example is this worker from the Children's Village that was using a cast net to catch fish in a nearby lake when he was attacked by a crocodile. He lost his left arm which will certainly affect his life since he was a builder. We were able to help with his medical expenses.

We also bought drugs and dressings for the clinic and helped a little boy have an operation to fix a severe hernia.



We provided funds through the clinic at Eden Childrens Village in Zimbabwe to help this man who lost his arm to a crocodile.

Agriculture. We were able to send funds to help with fertilizer and maize seed expenses at Eden Children's Village as they seek to grow crops to feed their growing population of kids.

We also sent funds to The Boabab Home in Tanzania where they are establishing a seed bank to help out farmers in the surrounding area. Seed banks are essential to help farmers obtain good quality seed to increase their production efforts. Seed banks are a place where seed can be safely stored to prevent damage from insects,



Example of a Seed Bank that is being built in Tanzania.

moisture, and molds. The seed bank will include seed cleaning equipment and refrigerated storage powered by solar panels.

What are our current and future plans? Our emphasis will continue to be paying tuition for bright young students, sending funds and medical supplies to clinics, and helping agricultural programs in developing countries.

We welcome your contributions as we continue Planting Hope in lives around the world. We continue to operate on less than 1% overhead cost so that all your donations go directly to projects we support. You can contribute through our website or send a check to Planting Hope International at the address below.

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James 1:27, 2:18 "care for the orphans and widows . . . show your faith through your works"