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# **Big 20th Anniversary for Fresh Hope!**

It is hard to believe that it is over 20 years since we first visited Sierra Leone and established our first school for orphans.

When we went there first the 11 year civil war had just ended which was marked by extreme children and babies alike.

Our hearts broke over what we saw and the stories we were told, all so vivid in peoples minds.

Back then we never would have dreamt that a simple response, full of our own inadequacies,

innocence and lack, that God would just take it and anoint it for fruitfulness.

One of the 3 bible verses that filled our minds back then was:

"Write the vision And make it plain on tablets. That he may run who reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it;

Because it will surely come, It will not tarry." Hab 2v2

## **Baby Rescue Centre**

This is now an interim centre for babies below the age of 1 year. We have seven babies that are presently in our care. These are children who were abandoned to die in streets and hospitals. Some of them lost their parents due to the covid

They are doing extremely well as we watch them grow in the blessings and favour of the Lord. The ministry has a good record in taking care of orphans and abandoned

This can be demonstrated by our kids who spent over ten years in this center and were timely integrated successfully

Our record with the government is good and we have been proven to be a credible institution. Since the inception of the

Baby Rescue Centre, we have always maintained our Christian values and integrity in dealing with

Our vision was simply just to go and do what Jesus said to do.

Fast forward to today; 145 churches, 400 church planters trained, 155 Street Girls reached, over 70 in training, 29 children in foster care, 120 kids in school. To God be the alorv!

See the special section inside.

Thank you all for helping make all this happen!



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issues pertaining to child policies. We thank God for these great successes.

Rev Alusine Massaguoi-Country Director



This past years intake of abandoned babies and the Baby Rescue Centre staff

### Foster+ programme

Our kids are doing extremely well in the foster homes. We have done everything we could as an institution to make them happy by providing their needs financially, socially and economically.

Since the integration into church member families and homes, we have watched them grow and this has improved their mental capacity and social status.

We have 29 children in foster homes. Ten of them are now in high school. They are coming close to entering university. Here are few testimonies from foster parents and kids...

Rev Alusine Massaquoi—Country Director



Some of our Foster+ kids and their and their parents



#### Humu Ghandi:

"Ever since my parents died, I have never enjoyed life like this. I wept when I entered my first home.

*My new parents are lovely. They have other children but they treat us equally.* 

I can play around with other children.

I now have a transformed life.

I am beginning to see myself belonging to a family.

*Life is now sweet. Life is now meaningful. I am the happiest child in the universe. Come and see my new home. Come and see my smile. Thank you Dave and Babra, thank you all our donors"* 

**Mrs Neneh Vandy:** We count it privileged to foster the triplets. They are amazing kids. We thank God for their lives. I will do everything possible to be a good foster parent. They are part of the family and they like it. We are having a good time with them

**Grace Ngandi:** (one of the triplets fostered by Ms Vandy) I felt happy when I entered my new home. I never knew what it means to belong to a family except now. To be in a family is so good. I am enjoying greater love now. I have my brothers and sisters with me. This is the first time I have met with some of them.

# 145 churches—Praise God!

Church planting and Evangelism has been the center move of the ministry. This was however hampered this year due to the outbreak of the covid.

Nevertheless, we were able to train 400 hundred church planters.

We also baptized 500 converts.

We now have a total of 145 church plants, 165 home cells, a prison ministry and a hospital ministry.

Thank God for these great achievements. The greater is yet to come.

Rev Alusine Massaquoi-Country Director









One of the village church plants and the building the village gifted as a church



This is Pastor David. He responded to the call of Jesus on his life at one of the church planting outreach events.

He was known in his village as a powerful juju priest until Jesus set him totally free.

Following his encounter with Jesus he demolished his shrine and started to build this church in its place.

Much like the early church in Ireland where churches were built on previously pagan sites and still survive today.

This church so far has been built by the congregation with locally



sourced mud bricks.

Cementing the outside adds 50 or more years onto the life of the building.

To help please go <u>https://fresh-</u> hope.org/what-wedo/church-planting

# **Technical and Vocational Training Institute**

The Technical vocational school is going on effectively. This is a blessing to the community and the street girls.

We have over seventy students. These are mostly street girls who have given their life to Christ.

"However we also have some young men who have no skill and want to succeed who may otherwise be tempted into a life of crime." Editor

Becoming self-sustainable is part of our vision for them. This is an opportunity they can explore so that they can be relevant to the society and their families.

The Technical Institute is also serving the wider community. In September, we had a thanks giving service for them and it was colourful. Eyes of invites and relatives were filled with tears as these girls expressed their gratitude to God and to Fresh-Hope ministries for giving their lives meaning.

The institute has four components: tailoring, catering, hair dressing and Electrical Installation. The computer school also serves as part of the institution.

This is mainly for those that are literate and would like to explore the world of technology.

It is so exciting to see a new breed of generation that society has neglected, transforming into an army for God.

God is doing Amazing things in the lives of these people. See Zainab's testimony below

Thank God for Babra and Dave for the passion they have for the street girls.

Rev Alusine Massaquoi-Country Director





#### Zainab Sawaneh:

*"I was a street girl but after I met with Jesus through Fresh Hope Ministries, I decided to be part of the institute. i belong to the Electrical Installation component.* 

I want to be an Electrician.

As a woman, it is an admirable profession and I am proud to be one.

Thank God for Fresh Hope Ministries for making my life better. I was lost but now I am found. I want society to be proud of me. I want my family to be proud of me. I am determined by the help of God. Thank you very much for being used by God to give our lives meaning"

# **Celebrating the Past 20 Years**



Heidi Baker was a major encourager to us to 'just go and let Jesus do the rest' - 2005



Some of our first babies all now in foster care—2010



Our fist set of babies in the Rescue Centre-2008



David and Ryan Craig baptising new converts in the Sewa River—2012



Barbara praying for a blind village Chief -2007



Praying for a little boy with stomach problems—2007

# **Celebrating the Past 20 Years**



Our first Street Girl intake - 2004



Praying with the Street Girls - 2008



Our first Baby intake, all now in foster homes - 2008



Our 2nd Street girl intake - 2006



One of the remote village schools -2008



They don't stay as babies for long! -2010

# **Celebrating the Past 20 Years**





Alie – gone to be with Jesus—2019

The Joy of a saved life-2008



Youth Team on Remote village Outreach-2008



Bo City Centre outreach-2010



No room for nerves! Remote Village Outreach-2008



Log boat ride for a US team to a remote village-2013



The Craig Family in Sierra Leone-2008

# **Piglets galore!**



### **Fresh Hope's** leader in Sierra Leone

For the last 8 years Rev. Alusine Massaquoi has been Fresh Hope's Country Director. Its success on the ground today has much to do with his passion for the lost and his ability as a leader and pastor.

Along with his wife, Beatrice, they have steered Fresh Hope through both the Ebola and Covid pandemics and still managed to train over 400 church planters and manage over 145 churches as well as the social action compassionate ministries.

As a Trustee board we honour him and thank God for bringing him to Fresh Hope.

## Our new 36 seater bus



This has been a project long sought after.

Transport is vital to the ministry for transporting the children to and from school, church pickups and for bringing the street girls to the Vocational Training Institution.

Up until now we have been paying for independent minibus hire for all our transport needs in and around our base in the city of Bo so this frees up resources and gives us much greater feedom.

#### **Prayer Points**

- 🙏 Continuing protection from Covid especially for those in remote areas
- ${f A}$  For continuing support for the Street Girls training especially for the planned post training facilities

steady income stream for the

the Baby Rescue Centre, Foster+

programme and the vocational

It is not without its challenges

however. We have had to extend

the piggery to ease the cramped

Training Institute.

- A Pray for timely vertrinary responses for our pig farm.
- 🙏 That our Foster Plus families will continue to be able to provide loving Christ centred homes for our children.
- A For good health as our babies grow into toddlers and continue to develop.
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  m A}$  Fresh Hope Ministries to continue to provide quality and accessible education.
- 🙏 Safe and productive development of our Church planting programme in 2022

Email: info@fresh-hope.org Website: fresh-hope.org Other ways to support Fresh Hope Ministries: - Like and share our posts on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>. - Give through <u>fresh-hope.org/give</u> - Share our vision with your friends

The pig farm has been a great nature of the existing buildings to succuss as the foundation for a allow healthy growth and isolation for the sows. compassionate ministries such as

Agricultural Veterinarian services are very hard to come by in Sierra Leone and can result in a wait until an animal can be attended to.

We were also able to offer another church to starting their own pig farm.

