

Sending you my warmest wishes this first week of November. I always enjoy the beginning of each month as I love reflecting on all the great things you've set in motion. Here are some of my favorite moments from the past month.

### Foster Care News



In October, we welcomed several new children to our family care programs in Uganda, China, and Cambodia. I want to introduce you to three of the children who have now found safety thanks to your kindness. As you know, some children around the world are exploited for labor, commonly being used to beg. Sadly, when they don't bring in enough money for the day, they often face harsh punishments. We actually had put a hold on new foster care placements in Cambodia, as our three locations there had grown substantially. As soon as authorities

called us last week about this extremely young sibling group, however, we knew we needed to make an exception. The oldest boy is only 5 years old, and he was trying his very best to care for his little brother and sister, despite all the harsh things they were enduring. I am so very thankful that they are now in our full-time care, and I know you'll join with me in cheering that they are now in a loving family who will ensure their protection.

### Crucial Cleft Care

Earlier this summer, we were contacted about a newborn in Cambodia who was born with a unilateral cleft lip. Our team provided lots of encouragement and education to the mom on the proper way to feed her baby and assured her we would help her child receive surgery as soon as he reached the needed weight. Just last week, baby Justin underwent his life-changing operation in Phnom Penh. The surgery went beautifully, and we know he will soon feel well enough to share his new smile with the world.



## Hooray for New Shoes

In Uganda, your support made it possible for us to distribute much needed shoes to two more primary schools in October. For many children, it was their very first pair. I think the picture below speaks for itself on how excited the kids were to no longer have to walk to school barefoot. No additional words needed!



## LWB's Cardiac Initiative

Seven more children received life-saving heart surgery during the month of October. As a mom to several children who have medical needs, I know how desperate I'd feel if I had no ability to provide them with care. The letters we receive from impoverished families around the world, pleading for help for their sick children, are always difficult to read. It's why we celebrate every single child we are able to accept into our medical program.

Little Bethany is one of the beautiful kids who now have a healthy heart...because you believe her life matters. Bethany was born with Down syndrome and a large hole between the chambers of her heart. We are so thankful that she sailed through her medical procedure as our very first cardiac child in Central America!



## Good Old-Fashioned Detective Work

Some children come into our care and remain for years, while others are with us for just a short while. We are frequently called by authorities when children are lost or abandoned, and that's when our teams put on their Sherlock Holmes hats and do whatever it takes to hopefully find their family.

Last month we were called by the police about a five-year-old boy who had been found abandoned. He kept repeating the name of a village no one recognized, so he came into LWB's care while our social workers got to work. Knowing that taxi drivers are the experts on different locations, they went to the taxi center in Kampala and began asking drivers if they knew the village the little boy had said. No one

did, but several drivers mentioned towns with similar sounding names. Our team then headed off to search those areas, to no avail. Thankfully, we got an additional tip about another village, and the third time was the charm as we soon learned the full story on how little Marcus had come to be all on his own so far from home. In meetings with local leaders, it became clear that Marcus would be unable to be reunited right now with his birthmom, so our team then began searching for extended family. When his aunt learned about his current situation, she offered to care for her darling nephew. After being qualified by the authorities, Marcus was settled in her home, happy to be reunited with kin.



Until next month....I send my deepest thanks for allowing this vital work to continue. I know that life just keeps getting more expensive, with rising prices and inflation that all of us are feeling at the gas station and grocery store. And yet you still make it possible for children in the hardest situations to find both hope and healing. For that, I am beyond grateful. You might have heard me say before that life is better when shared. In tough times like these, it's such a comfort to know that TOGETHER we can keep doing amazing things for the vulnerable kids who need us most.

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