

## **Local Pastor Joins Rwanda Non-Profit**

*His Hands On Africa Appoints Clayton Coates of San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission*

**Chatsworth, CA — March 27, 2023** — Chatsworth-based nonprofit His Hands On Africa (HHOA) has appointed Clayton Coates, Chief Ministry Officer for Rescue Mission Alliance, to their Board of Directors. “I am very excited about being a part of a ministry that is focused on encouraging local Rwandan dental students with the love of Jesus and equipping them with greater skills in order to develop a long-term solution in a country that I love.”

Clayton Coates is a graduate of both Midwestern State University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and was in ministry for small and large churches for 28 years before being hired to oversee all of the ministries for Rescue Mission Alliance - which runs the San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission. HHOA Chairman of the Board Ron Regenstreif noted “Clayton brings with him not only a wealth of knowledge about how to spread the Gospel of Christ, but has been to Rwanda on mission trips many times over the past 20 years and has witnessed the need for improved oral health care first hand.”. Clayton Coates lives in Camarillo with his wife of 22 years Allison and their six children.

His Hands On Africa (HHOA) is a 501c3 non-profit with U.S. headquarters located in Chatsworth and with operations in Ngeruka, Rwanda. The organization’s mission is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ by providing oral healthcare to Rwandans who would not otherwise have access to dental services. HHOA takes a holistic approach by also arranging U.S. dental mission trips to Rwanda, helping train the next generation of Rwandan dentists and building water wells to provide clean water so Rwanda is not reliant on charitable organizations. For more information about HHOA, please visit [www.hishandsonafrica.org](http://www.hishandsonafrica.org).

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