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A Message from our Founders

We returned to the U.S. at the end of November to attend the Gala. We also enjoyed the additional blessing of spending Thanksgiving with family and friends. Last year, spending Thanksgiving (for the first time ever) away from our family, was a very strange and lonely experience for both of us.

As soon as we arrived, we were swept up in a whirlwind of meetings, meals, testimonies and updates. Last year, this was impossible. So being able to

meet and be around people has been life-affirming. We sincerely feel blessed for the support, generosity, and the desire to hear about how God has been working through HHOA in our first full year in Rwanda.

The Gala, Tom's first ever sermon, and Lita's testimony ended up being on the same Sunday. This was challenging, but God carried us through. Because of generous supporters and help from The Garden Church, HHOA achieved its goal for which we praise

God and give Him all the glory. We realize again and again how God desires for all His children to become a family, be united, and do His work together for His glory.

God also allowed us to spend time with our children and other family members. As we see our children each year, we continually surrender them to God and pray that their hearts are filled with God's love, along with that of their mom and dad.



When we visited Noelle and Harry in Brooklyn, Tom ran four iconic runs totaling 26.219 miles in New York (Brooklyn). He crossed the Brooklyn bridge into Manhattan, Central Park and a coastal run in lower Manhattan to complete his version of the NY Marathon. This brought a lot of joy to his heart.

When we moved to Rwanda and said goodbye to our children, it was very, very difficult. Our hearts broke thinking they wouldn't have their parents to come home

to for a year. This is the life of a missionary...living between two worlds.

And now, we are looking forward to going back to the mission field to which God has called us, yearning to return to our new home. As we prepare to leave, we're gathering dental materials, food items unavailable in Rwanda, and saying our goodbyes. These two months went by so fast. We missed our life here in the US, but we also now miss our Rwandan home and family. Rwanda is where our

future lies. God is continually making connections and providing the necessary elements to bring His kingdom down here to earth. We thank you for journeying with us and investing your heart, prayers, love, and resources to help make this happen. We love and appreciate each and every one of you!

May God bless you and yours.

Tom and Lita
Founders of HHOA

Featured Articles



1000 Hills Circle

Become one of the 1,000!

1000 HILLS CIRCLE - The way HHOA will continue to improve the lives of our African sisters and brothers is to provide the dental services that are so lacking. Our ability to do this comes directly from the 1000 Hills Circle! As a member of the 1000 Hills Circle, you commit to giving a fixed amount every month.

All the funds from the "Circle" go to the operating expenses of the clinics, supplies for the

provision of the dental services, and the cost of outreach that brings dental services to the men, women, and children in remote villages.

Become a Member Today!

Ministry Update

2021 - what an amazing year! Despite the many challenges of relocating to a new country and dealing with a virus that just wouldn't go away, God was infinitely gracious and blessed HHOA richly. Lita and I have found our new church, New Life Bible Church, that we now call home in Rwanda. We have connected with a vibrant, loving missionary community, completed many projects, and met nearly all the goals, including:

- Completed Compassion Community Dental Clinic in Nyamata, which serves nearly 500,000 people in an area of 500 square miles
- Successfully held our first fundraising event – **Run for the 1** to raise over \$50K to build additional clinics
- Finished construction of our second clinic located in Ngeruka
- Held our first dental training meeting attended by sixteen dentists, dental students, and assistants.
- Completed our **first water project**, which now provides clean water to a village that was drinking with water from a filthy, muddy river
- Lita ministered at her first women's gathering at New Life Bible Church at Karangazi, where hope and healing were shared with sixty young women.



When I look back on what God led us to accomplish and realize all the blood, sweat, and tears that went into last year alone, I wonder, "How did we do all that?" It was only through God's Grace that this was accomplished.

As we planned for 2022, God gave me the word "Community." God delights in His people coming together as a community for the good of others. HHOA will continue to build clinics and complete new water projects. But, just as the church is not the building, HHOA is not

the clinics. HHOA's foundation is the community of dental care providers who are united and on fire for God and His Kingdom. This foundation will help us grow deeper in our faith and allow us to impart into the hearts of our dental team just what it means to live the life of Luke 9:23: *to deny ourselves and take up our cross and follow Jesus.*

Lita and I will invest all we have into the lives of our dental team as we grow together as disciples of Jesus. We are hoping that we will eventually get past COVID and its many restrictions. Our HHOA dental team will be visiting the villages in Rwanda several times in 2022. As we provide free dental treatment, we will also freely share the Gospel. We will take our portable dental units and go deep into the villages in search of the "one lost sheep," healing and blessing them in the name of Jesus. Just thinking about this fills my heart with great anticipation and joy!



Please continue with us on this amazing journey! As you support HHOA through donations and prayers — we want you also to enjoy the fruits of the seeds you have planted. We will keep you abreast of what we're accomplishing on a regular basis.

We send our deepest gratitude for your love and support and pray that God blesses you with His limitless love and Shalom in 2022.

Tom and Lita

Prayer Requests

HHOA Ministry -

1. Pray for our Dental Committee as they work together to create the Dental Training Curriculum. Pray for God to bring the right partners to be a part of our Training Curriculum.
2. Pray for Lita's ministry in caring for the women affected by the genocide. Pray for wisdom and compassion and that the Lord will bring peace to their lives. Pray for spiritual healing and restoration.
3. Please pray God will grow Tom and Lita's community in Rwanda, and that it would be rich in discipleship.



HHOA Team -

1. Pray for wisdom and discernment for our Board of Directors as they seek to guide HHOA in our mission to serve with the people of Rwanda.
2. Pray HHOA seeks God in every step and makes decisions with the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Rwanda -

1. Pray for an evangelical revival that is characterized by repentance and reconciliation.
2. Pray God will continue to build a government that seeks righteousness and is characterized by integrity. Pray for wisdom and discernment for Rwanda's leaders.
3. As Rwanda is still healing from the genocide, pray for understanding and cooperation to work together for justice and peace.

