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### Reaching the People of Rwanda

A newspaper article was published on September 27 on Igihe.com, one of the major newspapers in Rwanda. Almost immediately, we received phone calls and emails. Since then, our clinic has been fully booked with a waiting list for appointments.

The article shared how HHOA has upgraded the dental clinic at Nyamata Hospital and brought state-of-the-art dental treatment to the villages of Rwanda. Our clinic, which serves a District of nearly a half-million people, will provide quality dental care to those without access prior to our clinic.

The second newspaper article went out on October 15 to announce the official opening of the Compassion Community Dental Clinic, where the Minister of Health, the mayor of the district, and many other officials celebrated with us.





## **Featured Articles**

#### **Dental Equipment Update:**

Thank you for bringing His vision for Hands On Africa to life! At our 2019 HHOA Gala, we asked for dental equipment, and through your generosity, we received it. It took time for the equipment to arrive, but everything is now in good use by the Compassion Dental Clinic at Nyamata District Hospital.

We're thankful for God's vision and His equipping volunteers and others for service, training, and discipleship. We ask for your continuing support - please pray with us, engage with us, and invest/partner with us as we bring healing and hope to the people of Rwanda and beyond!





### 2021 Virtual Fundraising Gala: First Fruits

Please join us on **December 5th** as we come together to rejoice in what the Lord has done. We can't wait to share what has been accomplished and what's in store for the coming years! It is truly very exciting!

We look forward to "seeing" you at our grand celebration, so reserve your virtual seat today!

PS: Oh, and of course, there are some silent auction items that you will want to grab. Place your bid for a chance to win a Shaquille O'Neil signed basketball, a dinner with Tom and Lita, or a three-night stay in Cabo, Mexico, There's something for everyone! We are still gathering great offerings, and all who register will receive the link to the completed list of items! If you have something to place in the auction, please email us at *info@hishandsonafrica.org*. Thank you.







Reserve Your Virtual Seat



#### 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!



# Mama Lita's Corner

### Providing New Opportunities to Serve

As I live each day in God's grace and in obedience to what He has in store for me, He opened a women's ministry opportunity in the Karangazi branch of New Life Bible Church —about 3 hours away from Kigali, near the border of Uganda.

New Life Bible Church has become our home church here in Rwanda. We are thankful that we have a wonderful church where we can worship God with both praises and sound Biblical teaching.

They have partnerships with many organizations based in the US and are developing many successful ministries including church planting, Bible College, helping vulnerable people through education, sponsorships, and vocational training.

Tom and I met Pastor Charles a few years ago through a mutual acquaintance and again recently at the church with his wife, Pastor Florence. As we shared the story of our journey to Rwanda, and about my heart for emotional and spiritual health, Pastor Florence quickly spoke of her heartache for the women in the Karangazi area, and her passion to bring wholeness and hope into their lives. These women suffer from single motherhood, abandonment, emotional and sexual traumas. The severity of suffering from lack of food, resources, and opportunities is beyond comprehension.



In this context, the Pastors asked me to come minister to in Christ, shame, these women and to bring emotional and spiritual healing with a renewed and powerful hope in God. It was an unexpected opportunity to serve His people. I felt unqualified, inadequate, and fearful, but I wanted to say "ves" to what He called me to do, so I obeyed.

In preparation, I was reminded of 2 Corinthians 12:9. "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me."

With humility and in obedience, I was able to run a two-day retreat consisting of group counseling

sessions addressing identity forgiveness, hope in Christ, and teaching how to meditate on God's Word.

Psalm 115:3 says, "Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him." I truly experienced this scripture come alive - the presence of the Holy Spirit was undeniably in control. God loves those ladies so much, and He wanted to bring His healing, freedom, and hope to them. And He could have done it any other way but chose a weak vessel like me to bring Himself glory.

As I heard many breakthrough testimonies from the ladies, I was in awe of what the Holy Spirit will do when you just say "yes" to

Him, especially when you are utterly dependent on Him for everything, which was my case.

I fully experienced "It's all about Him, nothing about me" in a very tangible way, and I am grateful for what God has done for these women and me. He continuously molds me to His likeness— giving me the grace to experience His goodness and faithfulness.

I pray each day for Him to have mercy on me and to fill me with His Spirit so that I can love Him with all my heart, soul, strength, mind, as I love my neighbor as myself. Luke 10:27



