

TRANSFORMATION IN ACTION

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Partner,

You made 2013 such an incredible year!

As the children we began serving more than eighteen years ago grow up, the fruits of your love and care are clear-whether you joined us this year or have been giving since day one.

Susan is just one of many examples of the difference you make. When I first met her, she had been living on the streets of Freetown, Sierra Leone—a refugee with no place to call home, no way to attend school, and no hope for her future.

Today, Susan has reached a goal she never thought attending university in Uganda. possible. She is attending university in Uganda,

studying for a degree in business management. She is an example to her peers and an inspiration to me. Just think where she would be today if people like you hadn't stepped into her life.

The numbers you read in this report represent thousands of children all with stories like Susan's. I hope you get a glimpse of the impact you are making as you read it!

For the Children,

Chris Clark Founder and CEO

Susan is just one of the thousands of children whose lives you are transforming through sponsorship! -

Village Partnership Program: 2,901 children

Children's Homes: 246 children University/Gap Students: 71 children



Susan (left) and N'Gardy are now





Ninety percent of the gifts you give go directly to programs that benefit the children!

Children's Programs, 90.4% Projects, & Development

Administration 5.3%

Fundraising 4.3%.

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"Children of the Nations has earned a 4-star rating. ... This 'exceptional' designation from Charity Navigator differentiates Children of the Nations from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust."

> - Ken Berger President of Charity Navigator









Grecious on graduation day.

He Was Never Supposed to Walk, Let Alone Graduate

"I am the first

person to finish

secondary school

in my family."

Your support makes miracles happen

On June 29, 2013, Grecious celebrated an accomplishment he never dreamed was possible. He walked with the first ever class of graduates from the Children of the Nations (COTN) International Christian Academy in Malawi.

This accomplishment is amazing for

any child in Malawi—less than twenty percent of all children are able to attend secondary school. But for Grecious, who was born with cerebral palsy and

told he would never walk, it is nothing short of a miracle.

"If someone had told me ten years ago that I would one day graduate from secondary school, I would have prayed that his vision would come to pass," Grecious writes, reflecting on his accomplishments. "Without some miracle, it seemed impossible for me to reach this far."

The miracle that made this day possible was the support of people like you. Grecious' sponsors have provided

everything from meals, to physical therapy, to school supplies and the extra attention he needed to do his best. And people like you helped build the secondary school that he is

proud to be graduating from.

"I am the first person to finish secondary school in my family," Grecious proudly reports. "I am just thanking the Almighty for the great job that he is doing in my life."

Finding Peace in the Dominican Slums

God's love changes everything for Danilo

Danilo's newfound

faith in God has kept

him grounded.

Danilo grew up with no father, taking his only cues from life in the slums of Barahona, Dominican Republic. Fending for himself, Danilo developed a strong temper, and was known for his aggression. This anger took over his life. "My life was not good," he

says, "because I was very aggressive. I didn't have peace."

When Danilo was invited to join Children of the Nations' I Love Baseball (ILB) program last year, the direction of his life changed, thanks to people like you. His anger did not go away overnight—in fact ILB's director, Ruddy Suero, recalls many difficult confrontations with Danilo. But as Danilo learned about his great and

loving Father in heaven, he began to change.

"Now, I am different," he says. "My behavior is better, I have a place to eat, I am learning about God." Today, Danilo is always at the front when the time

> comes to worship with his teammates. Even through the tragic death of his mother, Danilo's newfound faith in God has kept him

grounded. Now, as the young head of his household, Danilo is doing his best to lead and provide for his three sisters in a godly way. Life has not been easy for him this past year, but Danilo says that if he didn't have God and ILB, he would have nothing.

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Danilo (right) was grateful for

your spiritual support in 2013.

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"God Knows What Could Have Happened"

In areas with few options, your medical support saves lives

returned from the

hospital, completely

recovered, his family

was overwhelmed

with gratitude.

When eight-year-old Charly fell sick,
his mother did what she had been doing
for years. With no money to bring him
to the hospital, she scraped together
all her spare cash and brought him to
every cheap clinic in the area. Mostly
makeshift offices selling a
few drugs, none of them
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Charly is a part of the Children of the Nations (COTN) child sponsorship program in Haiti. But with the program being so new,

were able to help.

Charly's mother didn't know that people like you would provide for Charly's medical care. Fortunately, she brought her son to staff member Marc Antoine Michel out of desperation.

Because of your support, Marc Antoine

was able to immediately bring Charly to a good hospital, where he got the care he needed to recover.

A few days later, Charly was feeling much better. "Charly's health is improving, thanks to Jesus," wrote Marc

Antoine. "Charly is so thankful for you. Not only for your prayers, but also for your support. By that, Charly feels supported physically, spiritually, mentally, and socially."

When Charly returned from the hospital, completely recovered, his family was overwhelmed with gratitude. "God knows what could happen if COTN was not in the village," said his mother.

Charly has fully recovered, thanks to you! "I Ne

"I Never Ate to Satisfaction"

meals keep Brenda

healthy and strong,

Brenda (center) no longer has to beg for food.

Brenda gets food—and hope for her future because of you

Eight-year-old Brenda used to spend her days at the marketplace, looking for old fruit or vegetables that were no longer good to sell. When the vendors cast them aside, Brenda was there waiting to grab them and take them home. "I Not only do these

and take them home. "I never ate to satisfaction," she says.

What Brenda didn't they also help her stay find on the ground at the focused in school. marketplace, she had to earn begging on the street. "I would put on the worst rags—sometimes even smelly—to catch the attention of people to give me money," she says. "Our next thanks to you

day's meal would come from that."

Now that she is in the Children of the Nations (COTN) sponsorship program in Uganda, Brenda no longer has to beg or scrounge to find food. "At home we never have enough for breakfast," she explains.

"But now, it doesn't worry me because I am sure of getting breakfast and lunch at COTN's school."

Not only do these meals keep Brenda healthy and strong, they also help

her stay focused in school. In December 2013, Brenda graduated from preschool, and this year she will begin first grade, thanks to your support!

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013

2,112,552

nutritious meals shipped to the children thanks to people like you who packaged and helped ship them! 3,030

SmilePacks^o assembled and shipped, full of school supplies and hygiene materials for the children.

60

students currently attending university, preparing to be the leaders of tomorrow. 600

children received blankets—you're helping keep them warm at night!

1,050

families protected from malaria by new ProVector flowers, thanks to Venture participants who helped distribute them in homes. 9

new buildings constructed:

 3 Children's Homes in Malawi and Uganda

 1 dining hall and expanded kitchen for Venture participants and hospitality students in the Dominican Republic

 2 staff housing buildings in Sierra Leone

• 1 girls' hostel at our secondary school in Malawi

1 classroom in Malawi

1 office building in Uganda



1,734

children received mosquito nets and will be protected from malaria, thanks to you!



1,280

children and their families now have access to clean water thanks to two new wells in Sierra Leone and Malawi



4,404

children attending COTN schools from preschool through high school.



11,418

children heard the gospel through special outreaches and daily devotionals in school.



22,500

bars of soap sent in-country to prevent disease and keep children healthy and in school.



3,600

pairs of shoes sent in-country to protect children from parasites and cuts.



9,443

individuals medically assisted thanks to our amazing in-country nurses and medical Venture Teams.



2,939

children being fed daily so their bellies aren't growling during class.

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2013 INCOME

Undesignated Giving \$1,571,569 Designated Giving \$6,021,353 Gifts In-Kind* \$1,156,660

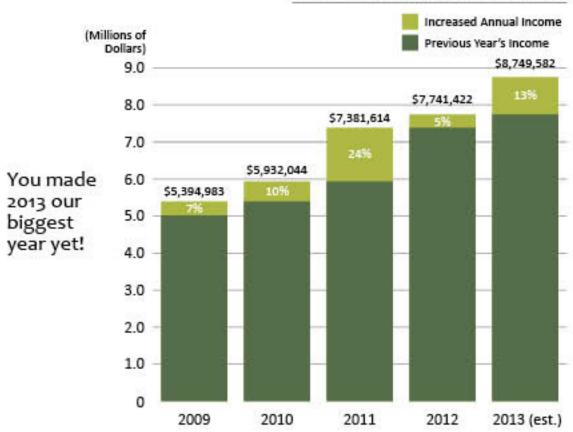
2013 TOTAL GIVING \$8,749,582

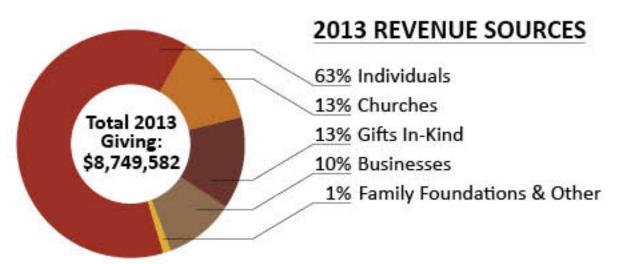
2012 Funds Designated for 2013 \$903,736 Grand Total Available \$9,653,318

We surpassed our goals, thanks to you!

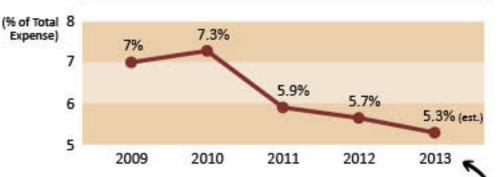
*Gifts In-Kind are items and services gifted to Children of the Nations (e.g. equipment, supplies, medical and surgical services, consultants, professional services, etc.). Dollar values are estimated by management.

ANNUAL INCOME TREND





ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE TREND



2013 EXPENSES

Children's Programs, Projects, & Development \$7,030,081

| & Development | \$7,030,081 |
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| Dominican Republic | |
| Children's Programs | \$463,410 |
| Projects and Development | \$51,415 |
| Medical Clinic | \$30,044 |
| Gifts In-Kind | \$381,671 |
| TOTAL | \$926,540 |
| Malawi | |
| Children's Programs | \$655,732 |
| Projects and Development | \$227,796 |
| Gifts In-Kind | \$243,421 |
| TOTAL | \$1,126,949 |
| Sierra Leone | 10076 86 |
| Children's Programs | \$357,188 |
| Projects and Development | \$150,464 |
| Agriculture | \$11,065 |
| Churches | \$7,973 |
| Gifts In-Kind | \$226,084 |
| TOTAL | \$752,774 |
| Uganda | |
| Children's Programs | \$274,963 |
| Projects and Development | \$130,494 |
| Gifts In-Kind | \$47,834 |
| TOTAL | \$453,291 |
| Haiti | 81 85 |
| Children's Programs | \$104,783 |
| Projects and Development | \$36,536 |
| Gifts In-Kind | \$61,155 |
| TOTAL | \$202,474 |
| International Support | |
| Missionaries* | \$1,575,625 |
| Venture Participants** | \$1,493,345 |
| Meal Packaging and Shipping | \$302,588 |
| Gifts In-Kind | \$196,495 |
| TOTAL | \$3,568,053 |
| Administration | \$415,906 |

Fundraising \$331,369

2013 TOTAL EXPENSES \$7,777,356

| 2013 Funds Designated for 2014 | \$1,875,962 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Grand Total | \$9,653,318 |
| Ending Net Assets | \$3,158,879 |

We continue to keep administration costs as low as possible, in order to be the best stewards of your gifts.

Each country has different expenses depending on the number of children, programs, and projects.

Note:

*Missionaries in every country are responsible for securing contributions to cover their board-approved salary, training, ministry, and fundraising expenses, or to pay for living expenses while overseas. This figure also includes US missionaries.

**Venture Participants serving in every country are responsible for securing contributions to cover their travel and in-country costs.

Note

Figures contained in this 2013 annual report are our best calculated estimates based on actual country statistics. Final dollar amounts can be found on our website once IRS 990 statements are filed. Financial amounts are subject to final independent audit.



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Vision

Raising Children Who Transform Nations®

COTN-International Mission

Partnering with nationals to provide holistic, Christ-centered care for orphaned and destitute children, enabling them to create positive and lasting change in their nations

COTN-USA Mission

To mobilize a movement of people and organizations and their God-given resources to raise children who transform nations







TRANSFORM MORE LIVES IN 2014!

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