

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” John 16:33



**NEW HR DIRECTOR
NICHOLAS HIGGINS**



**JANUARY 2023
MISSION TEAM**



**COMMUNITY SERVICE
“TESTING THE LIGHT”**



**PRAISE GOD FOR
IMPROVED HEALTH**

PSALM 82:3 MISSION

JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2023



2023 is off to an incredible start!! The year began with an amazing 12 member mission team with a wide variety of skills and interests. Through God, the team worked well together to build several new play structures, remodel the bathrooms at the Village for the Blind, celebrate a dedication service for the Matthew Thomas Lin Boys Home, deliver solar powered audio Bibles to the Village for the Blind, conduct medical check-ups on all foster kids and school kids, assist with several medical needs, develop plans for trauma care in our foster homes, share the love of Jesus in the prison and at revival services, work on cars, buy a replacement SUV, and celebrate 58 baptisms! They even experienced a MIRACLE RAIN! After the team returned home, our wonderful staff in Liberia has continued to build off of what they learned. We praise God for His provision and protection for our entire ministry in Liberia. The kids are all doing well, team trainings happen weekly filled with lots of joy and laughter, and we believe the hard season we have traveled through has made us stronger defenders! In the US we are so blessed to have opportunities to share about what God is doing through Psalm 82:3 Mission. At each visit we continue to be humbled by the generosity of so many partners as God always meets the needs of his children!



FOSTER CARE

Our current 33 children live in 3 houses. Each day every child is reminded through our staff that they are safe and loved! We currently have 22 spots left at \$35 per month to ensure our current foster children are fully funded each month. Will you be a monthly defender? We are sending out frequent updates! Once we are fully funded we can finalize steps to open the new boys home.



CHURCH & COMMUNITY

317!!!! Because several groups of people in Lexington, KY packed rice meals we now have 317 kids that attend church. Each Sunday the kids go home with rice packets while supplies last. Feeding the hungry is a great way to point people to Jesus! The Shelter Church is taking steps toward sustainability through tithes and offerings while also helping Widows with Shoes to sell and more!



EDUCATION

From ABS (PreK)-2nd Grade, Defenders Christian Academy is often recognized as one of the best schools in Liberia. 5 Days a week these 94 students are fed food and knowledge that will change Liberia's future. You can partner with one of these children for education at \$25 per month or connect our Education team to your group!



MEDICAL

At the end of 2022, 3 staff members were taken to the hospital. 1 staff member was seriously ill while the other 2 were involved in a tragic accident. We praise God that the cost for their medical needs were met, and they will ALL soon return to work! Stay tuned for more special news from our Medical team!



AGRICULTURE

Our 6 full time Ag workers are dedicated to sustainability! Currently they are raising crops and poultry to sell to the Foster Care team. This system provides the kids with great food AND provides funds for future ag goals. These goals include expanding poultry, raising a larger sheep and goat herd, and moving into our remaining 40 acres to develop!

COMING UP

Church Visits to
Virginia, Kentucky, &
Indiana

Moe's Night in
Lexington- March 17

Totes Shipment- April

Shotgun Shootout-
April 29

Summer Mission Team
June 13-24

MONTHLY FINANCES

Donor Commitment

\$19,844

Monthly Need

\$29,500

DEFEND TODAY!