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Email	_____ Phone _____	Email	_____ Phone _____
2. Name	_____	4. Name	_____
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Email	_____ Phone _____	Email	_____ Phone _____

Registration Fee:	\$100.00
Number of Golfers	<u>X</u>
Total	\$ _____
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The Gathering Place, 2394 New Holland Pike
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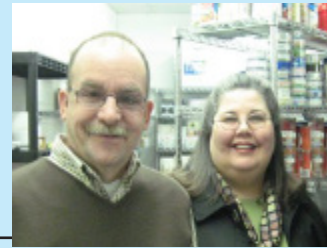
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Update



AN AHA MOMENT -- A HEART IN ACTION

From Bob's Heart

Kenya March 2017.

Since my return from the slums of Nyalenda in Kenya on March 28th I have had thousands of pictures bouncing around in my head but two in particular have been etched there. My Big ‘AHA’ moment.

An ‘AHA’ moment: a moment of sudden realization, inspiration, insight or discovery.-when you know you have to risk it all or at least do something.

Actually two “AHA”s:

‘AHA’ number one: “Great sorrow or immense heart break without affirmative action accomplishes nothing in you or the person you are feeling sorry for.”

‘AHA’ number two: The flip of a coin is used quite often in deciding winners or losers in sporting events or many other areas of picking winners and losers. “Heads I win, Tails you win.” BUT, when it comes to who lives or who dies, flipping coins should not apply. There should be no losers! Ever!

I spent time with and prayed for a man (we’ll call him Jack) paralyzed from his waist down with AIDS- related tuberculosiswith numerous bedsores that you could put a ping-pong ball in. He also had a colostomy and was unable to do anything but lay on his side. Bad enough, right? The colostomy tube and bag hadn’t been changed in 5 months, FIVE MONTHS!! They should be changed every 5/7 days. My heart broke with sorrow for his situation both physical and financial. However, that sorrow in and of itself accomplished nothing for either of us; giving him the resources, 2,000 s (schillings or \$20. US) to purchase two new sets of the needed equipment did. We have also added his name to those needing a medical insurance card. I also met a little girl that stood out from the crowd but not because of her smile or pretty red and white dress.

Her stomach was extremely distended, most likely a gastrointestinal problem caused by malnutrition.



So, why am I telling you this?? Both of these ‘AHA’ moments don’t just fit these two particular situations, they fit the lives of every person, young child to Grand Mum. You can assist The Gathering Place in our ‘AHA’ moments by supplying your own Affirmative Action to the thousands of “Jacks” living in the slums.

I was given the privilege to meet with both the Director of a local HIV clinic and the Director of the entire medical program in Nyalenda. This is something rarely granted to outsiders. This particular clinic is one of 8 public clinics within the city of Kisumu. This one clinic sees over 6,000 unduplicated HIV patients on a regular basis. FYI: over the last 5 years reported HIV diagnoses by the CDC, Pennsylvania’s total is less than the 6,000. It is a logistical nightmare, but it is estimated there are 250,000 - 300,000

people with AIDS in Nyalenda. It is an impossibility for TGP to do this alone.

Together we can create another ‘AHA’ moment. Let our ‘AHA’ phrase for 2017 be, “Who Would Have Thought?”

“Who would have thought” for \$10 a month or preferably \$120 a year you could provide health insurance for an entire family? “Who would have thought” you can provide a paralyzed man with a colostomy kit for \$10? “Who would have thought” you would save the life of an eight year old little boy by providing his grandmother with \$1.20 for Malaria medication?

Another great opportunity could be supporting the General Fund. “Who would of thought”, with your help, The Gathering Place could provide face-to-face training with all the necessary equipment and materials for \$4,200? These costs include airfare, two weeks of room & board, ground transportation, food, and training materials. Yes, for only \$350 a month, we can train Community Health Care Workers to care for their neighbors with HIV. This is powerful!! You will be changing the future for many...reversing the outcomes. As a result, more will live longer and families will stay intact. There will be less orphans & strengthened communities!

A Heart in Action.

Pastor Bob

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“Unto Him shall the gathering of the people be.” Genesis 49:10

Melanie's Minute

As you read through this newsletter, you will see many different topics. The first is Bob's Heart where Bob shares what God has placed in his heart and vision for TGP. As a staff we have been praying for God's vision and the refocusing on our ministry in Kenya. We would love for you to stand and believe with us for God's wisdom; that he would "clothe us in this calling"; that we would be good communicators of the gospel; that we could give hope and dignity to others; that we could alleviate the suffering of those who are vulnerable; that God would bring those he has called with their different gifts and talents to surround us and serve; and for financial provision for this work.

In an article published in Forbes Financial Guide on 5/24/12, it says that "The Bible is the ultimate financial guide". Money and possessions are the second most referenced topic in the Bible - money is mentioned more than 800 times - the message is clear. We are to be good stewards of it. God's provision provides shelter, food and clothing for us...and also for the work of the Kingdom. We are to tithe at our place of worship and then meet the needs of those who are most vulnerable in our society.

Here in this newsletter you will see some opportunities with one purpose in mind...to accomplish to do just what God has called us to do...help those in need.

Melanie

"CLIENT WORDS"

I hope this finds you all in excellent health and spirits. I just want all of you to know that I deeply appreciate everything that you's are doing for me and everyone else.

If at anytime you's need me for any reason, please feel free to ask. I love you all. Honestly I really do appreciate your help. Thank you for all your prayers! Sarah

PRAY WITH US REGARDING...

- Board Members and New Board Members
- Spiritual Direction
- Salvation for our Clients
- Continued Health for TGP Staff
- Financial Breakthrough
- People of Kenya

The Gathering Place Change4Change

So Here Is The Challenge!

You have been wanting to make a difference (change) somewhere. Here's an opportunity to make that happen, to bring change to someone's life without even breaking your budget. Check your pockets (toss out that lint), your dresser top, your car console or the jar on your dresser. You know where you throw that spare change that you don't want to carry around in your pocket or purse? Here's a way to put it to good use and become a "Life Changer".

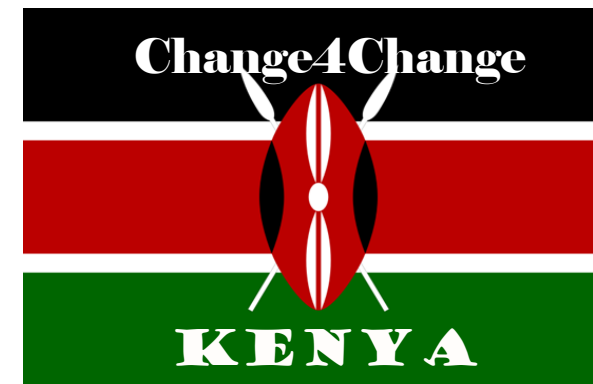
On Monday June 5, 2017 we are starting a campaign called Change4Change! This campaign will continue until Monday July 10, 2017. Unless you want an extension! (see Option #2)

You can make a difference in the lives of many who are going without necessary medication, food and other basic necessities. Do it all with your spare change or the price of a cup of coffee. You choose the source. Just think, those coins could save a life or prevent another child from becoming an orphan- if we all work together. Luke 16:10 "He that is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much."

Inside this newsletter you will have found a clear box (just needs a little folding). It's perfect for collecting your spare change. The following are some options:

- 1. On Monday, July 10th, you can drop off your change-filled box at our offices at: 2394 New Holland Pike, Lancaster PA 17601 Or:**
- 2. If you and your family like this idea and would like to continue this method, just give us a call to let us know. Then keep your box and mail a check to our office for the amount raised during the month. Then, continue on monthly increments for as long as you would like to participate! Send your check made payable to The Gathering Place and mail to: 2394 New Holland Pk., Lancaster PA 17601.**
- 3. If your family, friends, coworkers or caregroup would like to join us in this, just give us a call (717) 295-4630, and we would happily mail out a box to them.**

We believe this can be a great way for all and any age to help become a "Life Changer". We would love to hear your stories on how you and your family participated.



March 2016: Through tears Beatrice asked me "Why can't I get medication for AIDS like the ones they get in America?" I promised we would try.

March 2017: Beatrice now has the strength to be a Health Care Worker team member because we were able to get her a "National Hospital Insurance Fund" card and the right medication.

On our most recent trip TGP was able to train both clinical staff and Health Care Worker team members on how to identify and assure proper medication to those with life threatening AIDS-related infections. These skills will enable them to provide ongoing care as they build relationships with the families of Nyalenda.

I prayed with a paralyzed man that had been using the same medical equipment for five months. Normal use is seven days. TGP was able to provide him with more bags and tubes for 200 shillings (\$20). With his "National Hospital Insurance Fund" card, he has access to supplies and a trained caring Health Care Worker team member through TGP.



Park City Diner/Knight and Day Diner

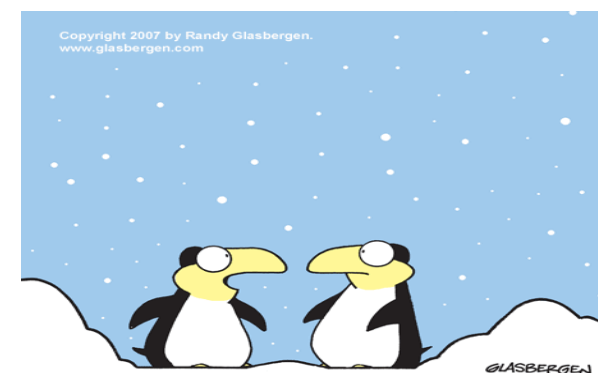
"SHARING OUR SUCCESS PROGRAM"

Please continue to use your S.O.S. card at either Park City Diner or Knight and Day Diner. The Gathering Place will continue to receive 10% of your purchase! If you did not receive a card and would like one, please call our office at (717) 295-4630 and we will make sure you get one!

IT'S NEVER TO LATE!

With proper ID, the groups listed below will get the designated discounts as well from Park City and Knight & Day Diners.

10% EMTs	20% - College Students
25% - Fire Fighters	15% - Park City Mall & Plaza Employees
10% - Veterans	10% - Hospice
10% - Active Military	50% - On-Duty Law enforcement



"Faith means believing in things you've never seen...like your feet!"

If interested in participating in The Gathering Place
Intercessor Team, please contact: Bill Finkill at wafinki@gmail.com