



To: Any Interested Person and Group

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Subject: Social Progress Project  
May 18-31, 2008

Hello,

As a part of the Legacy Unlimited mission, each year we select an organization with which to partner. This partnership allows us to make an endowment to projects that are making an effort to change the world.

In 2006, we were blessed to finance a micro-bank in Malawi that enables women from small villages to start businesses in their communities.

In 2007, Legacy Unlimited Community is honored to partner with Habitat for Humanity-New Orleans, helping to re-build the city of New Orleans.

For 2008, the Legacy Unlimited Community will partner with Ambassadors for Children, <http://www.ambassadorsforchildren.org> to support two projects in Malawi.

The first is a school projects needed in Mtendere. May 18 -31, 2008. The "rough" cost estimate is \$1700 for travel and \$1700 for hotel and ground or \$3400.

Marissa Hirsh has brought this need and the following information to our attention. We will be staying in Lilongwe, which is the capital of Malawi, and spending most of our time at a place called Mtendere Village located in Lumbadzi.

Mtendere means "place of peace." The children living in Mtendere are mostly orphans. This is most likely because HIV/AIDS, malaria, and/or water-related illnesses claimed the lives of their parents. There is an estimated number of 2 million orphaned children in Malawi out of only a population of 11 million. There is a food plant called, Madalitso Vita Meal plant located there as well as a hospital called Blessings.

On the May 2008 trip we will be focusing our efforts in schools, where many of the children living in Mtendere go, and in the village itself (for example, being involved in AIDS education programs and putting on a simply fun day for the children... last year they painted nails, decorated hats, made bracelets, etc). We always bring along school supply kits and hygiene kits to pass out to every child as well as art supplies, soccer balls, and other fun things that kids love because they are kids! I know that in previous years there were also efforts to bring mosquito nets so that may very well be something we focus our efforts on as well.

The second project that is just developing and that we hope to play a part in right now is the sustainable project that AFC is setting up in Malawi for an Educational Resource Center. Ambassador for Children is working to establish these kinds of long term projects in all of its destinations. Information received about that project to date is:

--There will be a library and most likely in Madisi where there is also great need.

--Madisi is surrounded by 6 secondary schools and 8 primary schools so a library would benefit a vast number of children/students.

--People living in Madisi are mostly farmers and thus do not earn enough money to purchase books.

--Primary focus will be on collecting culturally sensitive books and other educational resources that can be put in the library.

-Secondary focus will be on fund raising to support the overall project.

-This will be a pilot project and if successful will be the model for other sustainable libraries.

If you are interested in supporting these efforts please connect with our Legacy Unlimited community by contacting me.

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