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## PROJECT UPDATE NEWSLETTER

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### The Story Behind the CONTEMPORARY Hymn

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord, Oh My Soul)"

Co-written by Matt Redman and Jonas Myrin (2011)

"Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all that is within me...  
for all your goodness I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find."

**Matt Redman** is a Christian worship leader, songwriter, and author who grew up in the United Kingdom. His journey as a worship leader and songwriter has allowed him to travel to many interesting countries. He has even recorded music in several iconic studios such as Abbey Road in London and Capitol Records in Los Angeles.

This award-winning song, based on **Psalm 103**, is a powerful reminder of why we should praise God above all else. The tune for this song was written by his friend, Jonas Myrin, and, as Matt tells, the lyrics came together rather quickly. This song won Best Contemporary Christian Music Song at the 2013 Grammy Awards.

- Written by Anita Souder

<https://mattredman.com/>

<https://www.songfacts.com/facts/matt-redman/10000-reasons-bless-the-lord>

### UPDATE on Completed Project #660 for: **SHARE Education Services** **iPads Are a Hit With Students and Staff!**

Each year the SHARE Education Services testing team helps families serving overseas by administering education assessments of their children to see if they are functioning at their grade level and to identify areas of need or issues with their children's education.

Prior to our funding of this project, SHARE was still giving out **paper tests**, but in the spring of 2020, MPF provided funds for **six iPad sets** to improve and broaden their testing abilities. Each set included an iPad with keyboard for the tester and an iPad for the student taking the test. With the new iPads, the children are enjoying the tests more now and scoring has never been easier!

The area of biggest blessing involves the traveling that team members do in order to test children. Previous testing involved taking along at least three heavy easels and other supplies. Now **the iPad sets replace all of that**, saving them at least 10 pounds of weight in their suitcases!

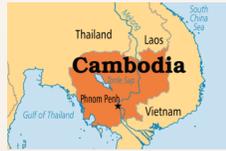
On behalf of all the families serving the Lord overseas and the hard-working SHARE testing staff, thank you MPF donors for your generosity!



## UPDATE on Completed Project #651 for: **Refuge for the Poor** **Refuge Center is Bringing Hope to Children**

### Compassion - Training - Discipleship - Refuge - Outreach

Greg and Jane Drebes began Refuge for the Poor as a way of providing a safe community of loving discipleship to the poor and underserved in **Cambodia** and to break the cycle of poverty and sex-trafficking among the poor of this country.



Since beginning their mission work in Cambodia in 2006, Greg and Jane have initiated several projects to help the poor. One is called The Refuge Center, a place where at-risk children, teens, and college students can live safely under the supervision of Christian couples—usually a pastor and his wife. One of their goals is to disciple each child to walk with Christ and to train them to disciple others.

When the Drebes learned that MPF would take on a project for the Refuge Center, the response they received from the Cambodian team was inspiring:

*“Thank you so very much for approving the funds for our Refuge Center project. What an encouragement to us and all of our workers on the field! They were in a meeting when we (Greg & Jane) told them and they sent back an audio of all of them clapping and shouting, “HOORAY!”*



The following are some of the items that were purchased with the grant for the Refuge Center:

#### ► KITCHEN ITEMS

Refrigerator, water dispenser, cupboard, rice cookers, cooking and eating utensils, knife set, jars, chopping board, towels and sponges, wire shelving...

#### ► BEDROOM/LIVINGROOM/WORSHIP ROOM

Bunkbeds and mattresses, shelving, closets, chairs, clothesline and hangers...

#### ► CLEANING SUPPLIES

Dusters, brooms, mops, trash bags, scrubbing brushes and buckets...

As you can see, it takes a lot of items to adequately supply a new living space for the children. Thank you to our generous supporters who helped fund this project!

Jane Drebes visits with some of the children



## PROJECTS COMPLETED 2021

- #676 **Refuge for the Poor** (Cambodia) - Ministry van
- #678 **Ananias House** (North Africa) - Ministry van
- #680 **International Cooperating Ministries** (Africa) - Hotspot Program
- #681 **Christian Aid Mission** (Peru) - Three-wheeled Vehicle
- #682 **Indopartners Agency** (Southeast Asia) - Laptop Computer
- #683 **Empower Hope** (Kenya) - 8 Sewing Machines and 8 Laptops
- #685 **Bold Hope** (Haiti) - Six refurbished laptops

# CURRENT PROJECTS

~ The projects below are dependent on the financial support of God's people ~

## # 684 CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP (ROMANIA)

Project Cost: \$10,000

While some European countries struggle to share the gospel openly, CEF Romania has been blessed with many opportunities to reach children for Christ. Since becoming CEF leaders in October 2019, Daniel and Carmen Leonte have been using their own car for ministry work, which needs extensive repairs and has forced Daniel to travel by train or use borrowed cars. Yet despite these challenges, their team was able to distribute over 85,000 packs of gospel literature last year. Please help them get a "new" **used vehicle** for their ministry in 2021!

<https://everychildinromania.com/about-us/>



## # 686 TRANS WORLD RADIO (CAMBODIA)

Project Cost: \$3,810

God is using TWR to transform lives in areas where the gospel is restricted or forbidden. Their radio ministry in Cambodia produces and airs a popular program for children in the Khmer language called *Happy Children's Garden*. It also airs *Women of Hope*, *Stories of the Potter*, and other translated programs from media partners. Sadly, their studio in Cambodia is in poor condition and short term fixes are no longer working. A grant from MPF will allow them to begin using new, reliable equipment such as a **sound mixer and card, two monitor speakers, six microphone sets, and five headphones**.

<https://www.twrcambodia.org/>



## # 687 ORPHANETWORK (NICARAGUA)

Project Cost: \$15,000

Two Category 5 hurricanes slammed into Central America last November causing much devastation, especially in the coastal regions of Nicaragua. ORPHANetwork's ministry has identified several relief needs and are seeking a grant from MPF to help provide for some of these needs such as: **eating utensils and pots; work tools like hammers, saws, tape measurers, levels, files, machetes, bars, and shovels; and fishing nets**. Almost all tools were lost in the wind and floods and many who depend on fishing for their livelihoods have lost the means to do it. Providing them with fishing nets helps them get back on their feet and earn a living again. <https://orphanetwork.org/>



## # 688 CHRISTIAN WORLD OUTREACH (ZIMBABWE)

Project Cost: \$10,000

Since 2001, CWO has served orphaned and vulnerable children in Zimbabwe. *Kid's Camps* offer children a chance to learn about Jesus, play games, talk to counselors, and just be a kid. As funding is available, camps are held on weekends on a monthly basis, or one-day camps are also offered. The CWO staff has a vehicle that is unreliable and in need of replacement. A **new van** will allow them to safely shuttle children to and from their home villages to the camp sites, plus allow staff to visit them in their villages with their caregiver families. <https://cwomissions.org/zimbabwe/>



## # 689 CHRISTIAN MISSION FOR THE DEAF (NIGERIA)

Project Cost: \$9,800

Christian Mission for the Deaf (CMD) ministers to deaf children in Nigeria through educational and vocational training. Since their start, they have planted 29 deaf churches and launched the Andrew Foster Memorial College. Their school in Nigeria has become overcrowded, especially the girls' dorms. Construction has begun on a 39-acre permanent site, but they have run out of funds to finish it. They still

need to complete the **framework, cinderblocks, and red roof** on the back area for more girls' dorms and two bathrooms. When finished, it will house 400 students.

<http://www.cmdeaf.org/>



# 690 **UIM-AVIATION (MEXICO)**

Project Cost: \$ 4,996

UIM Aviation exists for the purpose of establishing Native American, First Nations, Mexican, and Hispanic churches. Their Tucson-based aviation department works with a number of similar mission agencies in Mexico where they transport supplies, Bible translators, missionaries, pastors, and people requiring medical treatment. Their airfield is in need of **a variety of tools** which relate directly to the safety and efficiency of their aircraft for maintenance and inspection purposes.

<https://www.uimaviation.org/>



# 691 **THUNDERZOLL, INC. (INDIA)**

Project Cost: \$2,500

ThunderZoll, Inc. works to care for orphans through their local partner in India by helping provide for the physical, emotional, and educational needs of the boys. In the past, MPF has donated funds for bunkbeds for the *Peace Children's Home*, but it has come to our attention that there are still boys who must sleep on mats on the floor. This isn't the best situation, especially when rodents and snakes sometimes get inside! MPF will fund **ten bunkbeds** for \$250 each. Maybe you could help fund one today!

<https://www.thunderzoll.org/>



# 692 **HOPE'S PROMISE (NORTH VIETNAM)**

Project Cost: \$3,633

Hope's Promise believes all children deserve to grow up in a loving, stable family. Since beginning their ministry work in the south and central parts of Vietnam in 2008, they have expanded north and found it open to the gospel. They now have two homes in the north which house six children, but there are four new children in need of an Orphan Home. Hope's Promise needs funding for the **start-up costs** for the home: a washing machine, refrigerator, air conditioner, microwave oven, bunkbeds, mattresses, blankets, a computer, and other items are needed.

<https://www.hopespromise.com/christian-orphan-care/>



| <b>Financial Report</b><br>January—April 2020 |             |
|---|-------------|
| <b>Donations Received:</b>                    | \$16,645    |
| <b>Projects Completed:</b>                    | \$ 38,174   |
| <b>8 Projects Open:</b>                       | \$59,739    |
| <u>Total Projects Funded Since 1967:</u>      |             |
|   | \$4,520,476 |

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