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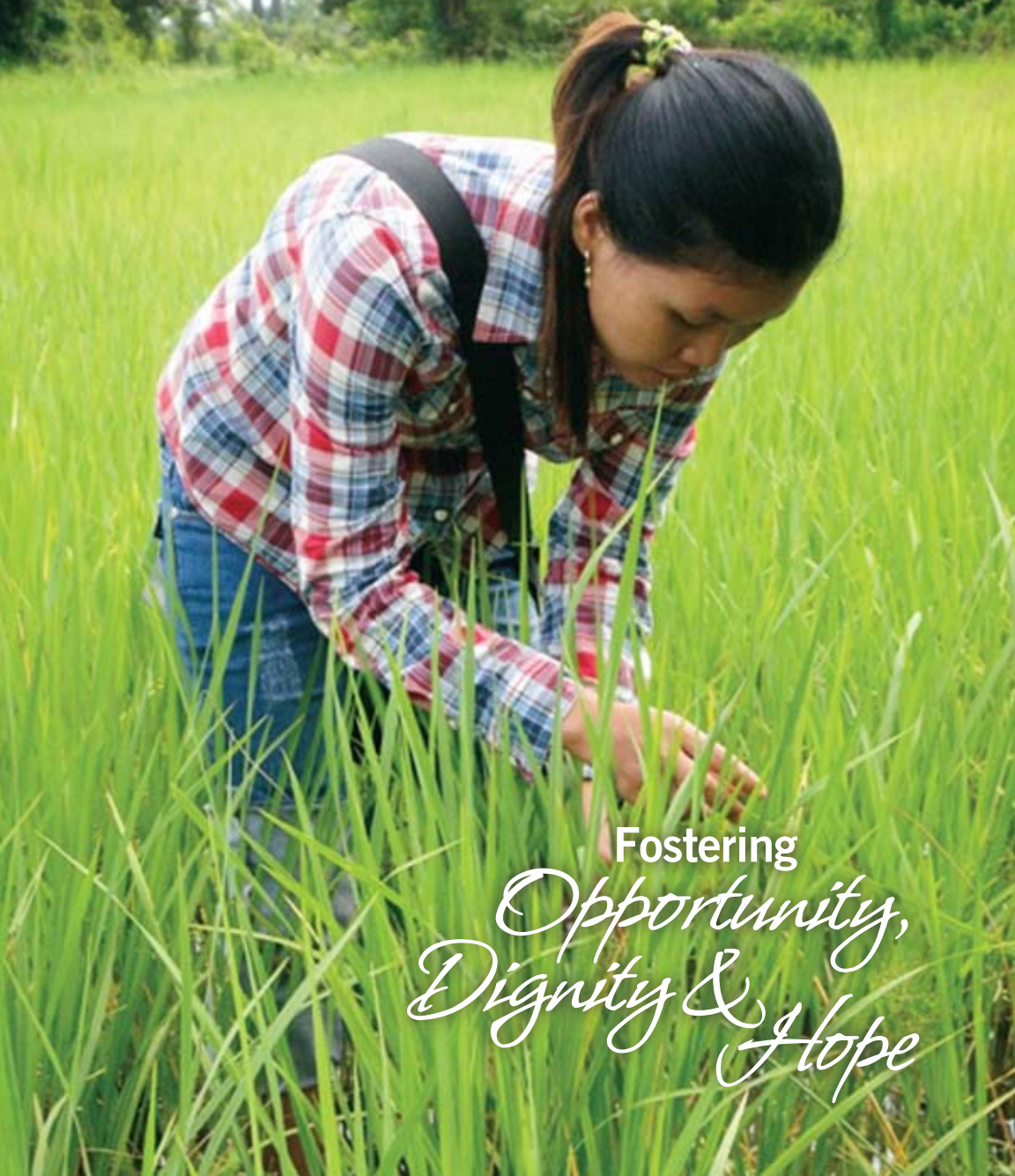
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Excited to be Serving You



We are the feet on the ground making sure your compassion is felt by a family in Mozambique who constantly suffers from water-borne diseases or a young child seeking a better future through education.

TO SAY I AM EXCITED TO BE SERVING THE POOR as the new president and chief executive officer for World Hope International is an understatement. I am overjoyed by the opportunities ahead of me.

I am eager to roll up my sleeves and help: provide water for those who thirst in Africa; give young girls removed from sex trafficking in Cambodia a safe place to heal; create economic opportunities for farmers in Sierra Leone, like supplying mangos to a juice processor; and raise children out of poverty by giving them the chance of an education. But more than anything, I am energized by the prospect of connecting you with those most in need around the world.

The purpose of World Hope International has always been to serve those who desire to serve the world's poor. I'll say that again, **we serve you.** Our goal is simply to connect you with those suffering in the "Bottom Billion," so that you may offer them opportunity, dignity and hope for a better today and a brighter tomorrow.

We are a conduit, a partner, in the mission to end poverty. We are the feet on the ground making sure your compassion is felt by a family in Mozambique who constantly suffers from water-borne diseases or a young child seeking a better future through education. Of all the people Jesus served throughout His time on earth, He always gave special attention to individuals who were downtrodden or outcast. **He reminded His followers then, as He**

WELLS

Milestone: Half a Million with Clean Water

By Keith Norris, Director of Rural Development

ON AUGUST 13, A CLEAN-WATER PUMP was installed for a recently drilled well in Gbarnga, Liberia. However, this seemingly normal day for World Hope International's (WHI) Wells & Sanitation program was any-

Women and children in Liberia gather about their community's new well to celebrate clean water.



thing but. With this one well, WHI marked a tremendous milestone — a half million people with clean drinking water.

When Larry Marshall first attempted to drill a well in Mozambique in 2004 using a hand auger, no one knew what his act of laborious compassion would spark. Seven years later, Larry's vision has spawned six World Hope International well-drilling rigs, operated by 20 crew members operating in four African countries. God has truly blessed this program, allowing it to bring life-giving water to so many desperate people.

These dedicated crews are fueled by the importance of their mission. Why else would they work so hard in scorching heat, leave their families for weeks or months on end, or sleep in tents in Africa's bush country. Because it is those in the remote regions of Africa that are most in need of clean water. They are the heroes of World Hope International.

Working with these crews, I'm often reminded of the story of Moses. When he and

reminds us now, of their importance and their value in our Father's eyes.

God has accomplished so much through World Hope International:

- **More than half a million** with clean drinking water
- **More than 600 girls** removed from sex trafficking in Cambodia
- **More than 8,000 students** sponsored through Hope for Children.

And I am excited to be a part of it with you! I am excited to be standing side-by-side with you as we walk through ways to serve the world's poor. Roll up your sleeves with me and let's get to work.

Sincerely,



Tom Armiger
President & CEO
World Hope International

the Israelites reached the desert on their exodus from Egypt. They had reached a point of dying of thirst, and it was here that Moses struck a rock with his staff and water gushed out. Each person on World Hope International's well-drilling crews reminds me of Moses, with the exception of their use of earthly tools to do Godly work.

Though Larry Marshall lived to see much of WHI's accomplishments on behalf of those who thirst around the world, he did not live to witness this new milestone of half a million people with clean water. But in true poetic fashion, the well-drilling crew that constructed the Gbarnga well was helmed by none other than his widow, Cindy, who still serves with World Hope International out in the field.

I also consider World Hope International's supporters as partners in this accomplishment. WHI could not have drilled the more than 700 wells that now serve the half million with clean water without these compassionate friends. I see us as one big team, working together to bring such wonderful blessings to "our" multitude of half a million people. It is on their behalf that I thank you!

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ANTI-TRAFFICKING

Instincts and Training Help Prevent Human Trafficking

By Kristin Wiebe, Director of Anti-Trafficking

I F YOU KNOW SOMETHING'S WRONG, and you know what to do, you can help. It seems easy, but it's not. First, you have to both be aware and know what it is you're looking for. Second, you have to know what to do with the information in front of you. And finally, you have to make a choice, are you willing to do something?

Last week a story from the field struck me: FK* was 14 years old when his neighbor offered to bring him to Freetown, the capital of Sierra Leone, for schooling and the promise of a good job that would allow him to send money home to his family. It's similar to many stories of labor or sex trafficking: a family in dire straits chooses to trust a neighbor with the care of their child in order to provide that child with an opportunity for a better future. But instead of enrolling the child in school or helping them to get a job, the neighbor forces the child to work for them, or sells them to someone else.

In FK's case, he was sold to a fishing crew. Day after day he was forced to bail water from boats and untangle fishing nets, sometimes while underwater. Eventually, he fell ill with pneumonia, but his master refused to get help. Sick and crushed, FK labored on.

One day, the harbor master at Lumley Beach noticed FK. Trusting his instincts that something about FK's circumstance "wasn't right," the harbor master suspected that FK was a human trafficking victim. Recently, the harbor master became familiar with situations like FK's through a World Hope International community education event. With the information he had, the harbor master chose to make a call that saved the boy's life.

Collaborating with police, World Hope International was able to facilitate an intervention that removed FK from his situation, give him immediate care and counseling and, eventually, reunite FK with his family.

I often think about how small we are, working on a problem as large as human trafficking. It's estimated that there are 27 million trafficked slaves in the world. It's an overwhelming number, yes, but we cannot let it become paralyzing or view it as insurmountable. If we continue to educate people like harbor masters, as well as children, teachers, police officers, lawyers and social workers around the world, we can make a difference one person at a time. Abolitionists start with awareness, by noticing.

**Names of all trafficking survivors are changed for their protection.*

For more information on World Hope International's Anti-Trafficking efforts around the world, visit WorldHope.org and click *Our Work*.



Creating Community Through a Love for Children

I N GUATEMALA, CHILDREN ARE CELEBRATED.

Each year, the lives of children are celebrated by a Children's Day party. There is dancing, singing and food. The children perform skits and everyone has a fun time. Francisco Perez, World Hope International's in-country Education and Hope for Children coordinator, recently shared with me that the children take this opportunity to be thankful to God for His provisions, and to the sponsors for allowing God to work through them.

The photos of this year's celebration are worth a thousand words. As 2011 begins to wind down, and we look back over the past months, we are touched by the realization that God has called and we have answered by having been a part of creating community across thousands of miles. God bless all of you for being a part of that creation whether in Guatemala, or any of the other countries we serve.

For more information on Hope for Children sponsorship, visit WorldHope.org and click *Our Work*.





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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mango Crop Produces a Promising Future for Kdiat

By Rob Symons, Director of Economic Development

THIS YEAR, 150 VILLAGE COOPERATIVES in Sierra Leone were engaged in the pilot season of the Mango Outgrowers Project. These cooperatives sold approximately 500,000 pounds of mangos to Africa Felix Juice, mangos that would have otherwise rotted on the ground. In the coming year, we hope to further strengthen these village cooperatives, expand our reach to new villages and assist farmers in cultivating pineapples for sale to new markets.

I will never forget the impact that this project made in the life of young Kdiat. Kdiat's father, John, had pledged her to marry, securing her future in the best way he knew how. However, once he became involved with his village cooperative in selling his crop of man-

gos, John had enough income to continue Kdiat's schooling. He was able to return the marriage dowry and make the continuation of Kdiat's education possible.

Microfinance Update

As I look back on this past year, it fills me with excitement and hopeful expectation for the year ahead. I am proud that World Hope International was one of the early adopters of a microfinance program. At its height, we were able to offer loans to thousands seeking to better their lives through a start-up business. However, as the years have progressed, the microfinance industry has changed. Competition for clients has increased due to an influx of for-profit competitors. This news is actually good for many of the clients WHI once served. They now have options when there were none only a few years ago. Because of this World Hope International has chosen to narrow our microfinance focus to where the need for such services is still great, West Africa. Both Hope Micro (Sierra Leone) and LEAP (Liberia) have been working hard to maintain profitability. Hope Micro currently has over 17,000 clients and LEAP slightly less than 9,000.



Mango collection.

Learn more about the impact of World Hope International's work in Economic Development around the world by visiting WorldHope.org and clicking *Our Work*.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Cattle Project Making More Than Livelihood Possible

By Tae Symons, Health Programs Manager

PEDRO TIVANE WAS NEVER ABLE TO GIVE his wife Alzira an official church wedding.

Though they were married in a traditional ceremony for their village of Maivene, in the Chibuto-Gaza province of Mozambique, they always wanted to have a big celebration with their family and friends.

As one of the first beneficiaries of World Hope International's Cattle Project, Pedro was given a new opportunity five years ago to support Alzira and their four children. Though he'd been able to provide for his family by helping to build houses in his community, Pedro was excited by the potential of the cattle project. He became a breeder after receiving his cattle in 2006. Four years later, he gave back to his community by providing two heifers from his herd of eight cattle to a new recipient within his community.

Recently, Pedro was able to give his wife Alzira the church wedding they'd both dreamed of. On August 28, 2011, Pedro and Alzira celebrated with their friends and family following



the ceremony. One of Pedro's cattle was even used for the celebratory meal.

Pedro is very grateful for World Hope International's cattle project. The opportunity has allowed him to more easily meet various family needs and has even provided he and Alzira with the opportunity to hope for the future.

Learn more about World Hope International's work in Rural Development by visiting WorldHope.org and clicking *Our Work*.



Growing More than Mushrooms

By Heather Beatty, Adelphe Team Member

GROWING AND SELLING PRODUCE never seemed an adequate way for Adelphe families to be self-sustaining. Many Adelphe sisters struggle enough with growing food to feed their families, let alone producing an abundance to sell at the local market place. Additionally, the women who've managed to harvest a larger crop often encounter too much competition from other families growing and selling similar product.

Recognizing these hurdles, it was decided that the key to making the cultivation of produce a successful avenue of livelihood for the women and families living in Adelphe villages was differentiation. By planting different crops, and growing them better, Adelphe sisters would most assuredly stand out in their local marketplaces. The first test of this was a pilot mushroom cultivation project.

Because cultivating mushrooms takes very little time and capital, and because they can be sold for significantly more than traditional crops, it seemed an excellent test to the differentiation idea. Ten families were trained in the art of mushroom cultivation. All shared in the production, which yielded 10

kilograms of the edible fungi. Sold for \$2 per kilogram, this initial crop netted roughly 10 times the amount generated from traditional produce.

In addition to the seminars in farming, Adelphe participants also learned business skills, health and hygiene awareness and participated in leadership development. Adelphe strives to empower rural women and their families through economic and community-based development.



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THE LAST FEW MONTHS OF THE YEAR always seem to be a mad dash.

First, you're loading up the car to visit the relatives for Thanksgiving. Then, four short weeks later, you gather to celebrate the birth of Christ. And before you know it, you're counting down the seconds to New Year's. Wait! It's New Year's already?

Before the holidays speed by and you realize time has expired on your opportunity to offer last minute support to World Hope International, take a moment to consider the following:

- **All charitable donations made prior to December 31 can be applied to your 2011 deductions.** If your family chose to donate a specific amount to the mission of World Hope International or a specific program that has touched your heart, before the end of the year, it's not too late.
- **Monetary donations are not the only support that can be accepted by World Hope International.** Stock donations are also permitted. Information on this type of support can be found at WorldHope.org.
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