

FATHER TO THE FATHERLESS INT'L

A ministry to the street children, orphans and widows around the world

**SUMMER
2011**

Greetings from all of us at Father to the Fatherless International!

A lot has been accomplished since our last newsletter (May 2011). Praise God! We are looking forward to seeing God open more doors around the state of Colorado and around the world, but especially doors for ministry, land purchase and construction in Uganda...

This has truly been a time of prayer, relection, and planning as we learn and grow. Keeping our focus on Christ, as He continues to prepare us for the work ahead of us.

Summer Highlights:

- ★ **Applying for 501(c)(3) status with the IRS... and receiving it!**
- ★ **Speaking at a couple of Christian summer camps about Father to the Fatherless and engaging with kids between the ages of 8 and 13.**
- ★ **Participating in the 1st Annual River Run for Orphans 5k run & 1-mile walk (as an info booth).**
- ★ **Networking with more people, churches and groups around the country.**
- ★ **Getting more opportunities with Wendy's in Clifton and Montrose to raise money and awareness!**
- ★ **Playing music with kids with Mesa County Public Library.**

In early June, we applied for the 501(c)(3) status through the IRS. This meant leaving the covering of Westgate Free Will Baptist Church and walking in faith for State and Federal approval. We give God all the glory for allowing us to file all the documentation without consulting a lawyer and being given charity status by the end of September!

God also gave us some amazing contacts through the Talbott's family in Palisade, like the 1st Baptist Church in Palisade and Grand Mesa Baptist Camp. We will be speaking at the church on November 27th, and were given the opportunity to speak to the Elementary and Middle School camps on the Grand Mesa!

Another contact wrote us an email inviting us to be a part of the River Run for Orphans because of the type of ministry we have. The event was a grand success! We talked to many families, played drums, and sold many of the paper necklaces!

Other networking that God is bringing into our path is through groups like "ChristAid" (a non-profit to different parts of the world) and "Short Cuts" (a local salon). ChristAid is putting on an annual conference in Denver on November 12th and has invited us to come and help with the music. They are helping us with getting organized overseas and helping with lots of ideas to move forward!

Short Cuts is privately owned by Jessica Clark, and she is helping us raise money through haircuts for F2TF and having a tip jar for orphans in Uganda. God is doing awesome things!

God has also been expanding our fundraising with Wendy's Restaurant. They love us playing music so much that they're sending us to other cities on the western slope to 'spread the wealth'! They have been such a blessing and always trying to help however possible!

So now that you've heard our praise reports and summer highlights... let us share with you some prayer needs!

- (1) God's wisdom and direction as we move forward with the 501(c)(3) status.
- (2) God's sovereign protection as we continue to walk in faith regarding the land and construction in Uganda
- (3) God's grace as we work with people overseas and protection of our assets.
- (4) God's will and creativity as we try out new fundraisers and raise awareness concerning the difficult circumstances of children in most parts of Africa.
- (5) God's Spirit to bring unity through all our leadership and sponsors so that we may be strong and able to stand firm when the enemy attacks.

For any ARTISTS out there... we are hoping to make some t-shirts to be able to use for donations. If you want to try to come up with an idea for the shirt and email it to us, we would welcome your input!

[We can accept pdf and pse (photoshop elements), jpeg and tiff]

Just send your idea to **FathertotheFatherless@gmail.com**. If we select your design, you will receive a free t-shirt (with your design) as your prize!

So get to it!!

We are so appreciative of your prayers and support! We could not see this vision through by ourselves, but together we will share the blessings that God is holding in store for us.

Our Father in Heaven is the defender of the fatherless! Psalm 10:14

Check out some of the ways you can help us spread the word of Father to the Fatherless!



Refrigerator Magnets
(Medium & Small)



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Blue, & Red)



Mouse Pad

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