

International New Hope Outreach Ministries

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Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, And to keep himself unspotted from the world. James 1:27



<u>Fall-</u> <u>Winter</u> NHOM International

2012

Dr. John & Evelyn Shane Invite You To Join Them On a Trip To Ukraine, Russia, Ethiopia or Sri Lanka. Come and hug widows, orphans and the elderly with us. Share your love with those who so few care about and you will be blessed.

Shane Schedule November 2012 4 Lewiston, ID 11 Spokane, WA 18, Kendrick, ID 22 Happy Thanksgiving December, 2012 2 West Richland, WA 3-18 Ethiopia 25 Merry Christmas January 2013 1 Happy New Year 6 Union Gap, WA 13 Marblemount, WA 20, Longview, WA 27 Acme, WA February 2013 January 29 to February 8 Ethiopia 9 Annual Business Meeting 10 Wapato, WA 17, Harrington, WA 24 Davenport, WA March 10 Deer Park, WA 17 Newport, WA 24 Hartline, WA



NHOM International provided a wonderful dinner and entertainment as we celebrated 15 years of full-time ministry to widows and orphans in Russia, Ukraine, Sri Lanka and Ethiopia. We are so blessed to be able to help so many. With your help we will continue to help those that cannot help themselves.

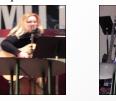
NHOM International 15 Year Celebration

It is hard to believe we have been working full-time with widows and orphans for 15 full years but it's true. We've grown from one orphanage in Russia to working with over 15,000 orphan children and over 5,000 elderly in several countries. We have had the privilege of leading tens of thousands to the Lord Jesus Christ and there is so much more on the horizon.

At our celebration party we had a powerful time of worship as several guest speakers from Russia, Ukraine and Ethiopia updated everyone about their work and what NHOM International is doing in their countries. I closed the service with a powerful message about my recent trip to Sri Lanka. There were several Pastors and wives present and over 100 people enjoyed the festivities of the day.

We had a great dinner coupled with a live auction. Everyone involved seemed to have a great time.

Each year we have a special celebration fundraiser that consists of a silent auction, live auction and a time of worship and praise as I and others share what God has been doing in NHOM International over the past year and what future plans that God has in store for us. It is a blessed time with all proceeds benefiting those widows and orphans we work with.





Some of our guests left to right are Galya, our previous Perm director, Ambele speaking about Ethiopia and Viktoria singing and sharing about Ukraine.



Pictures from the silent auction as bargain hunters look for some prized possessions. Thanks to all who donated time and goods to make this successful.



All of the festivities took place at South Tacoma Assembly of God and a big thank you to Pastor George Reed and his staff of people that helped make our celebration a success. Thank you Grady and the worship team. Thank you Isaac for the great video and a big thank you to my wife Evelyn who was the overseer of it all.

Ministry of Helping Widows



The above widow said,"If I just had two goats I could get on with my life."



This is one of widows showing off one of the fine dresses she made with her sewing machine and the help of NHOM International.



The above widow is severely handicapped with back problems yet she raises palm shoots picture on right and sells them for about 40 cents each. Because we want to start raising coconuts on our property I bought all she had in hopes of using the coconuts to supplement more help for the widows we sponsor.

Once again we are gearing up to build our training center for widows near Jaffna. This is an area where many widows live. We purchased property about six years ago and in spite of the war our team in this area have managed to build and rebuild our well, build a small caretakers home and a decent toilet facility.

I traveled with our worker Saratha visiting a number of surviving widows we support on a monthly basis.

All of the widows I talked to today are nearing the end of our two year commitment to them. I spoke to each of them individually and all of them asked if they could have more time receiving their funds and I told them I would discuss the matter with others before I make any further commitment to them. I told them there are other widows who have received no funds that are waiting as well. Besides all that I wanted to specifically talk to Madhu. She knows these women and their needs far better than me.

The first widow we met with will run out of time in January. When I asked her what she needed to help her with her cottage ministry she said to me, "Mister if I just had two goats I could get on with my life." The price of goats would close out our commitment to her and she was thrilled that we would buy her the goats. This woman lost her husband and children in the recent slaughter of families in 2009 and 2010. She has nothing and no help from anyone.

The next widow we met with is a seamstress with her own sewing machine. She makes a meager living making clothes for the locals in her community. She also wanted us to extend our commitment to her but when I talked to Madhu I was told she does all right in this little business and does not need an extension.

The next widow we met with when asked how she spent her money over the last two years told me she was in the chicken business but that she needed more help to make it grow. I asked how many chickens she had she told me ten. I didn't say anything at the moment but I realized our commitment to her was finished.

I was reminded as I talked to these widows about the parable in

the Bible about the rich man dispersing money to three people. One he gave ten talents and he made ten more. Another was given five talents and he made five more. The last was given one talent and he buried it in the ground and gave it back without even





This is the home we built on our property for shelter for a caretaker and others who are in need.





This widow is raising chickens to supplement her family.



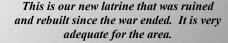


Just like the ladies pictured in the upper two photos there are thousands of Christian widows waiting for someone to help. Will you be the one to help?

This is our rebuilt well with good water that will be for our widow center.



These are the steps leading up to the baptismal adjacent to our well on our property in Sri Lanka.



Perm, Russia



Natasha & Tolik Perm, Russia

We had a trip to Rudnichny to the handicapped orphanage. There were about 40 children. We showed them a clown program (I was a clown), and after that we took time to fellowship with the children. John, I told you that our church wants to open a house for the orphans who finished their orphanages? We did it. And we pray that they will take one boy Sasha to this house. Sasha can't walk he is always in the wheel-chair. This boy gave his heart to the Lord about 4 years ago. He prayed for us and calls us by phone almost every day. He has a mother and he loves her. His mom never visits him in this orphanage and it looks as if she has deserted him. But he said that he has no anger toward her and has just only one desire to hug her and to say that he forgives her and loves her. We pray our church will take Sasha in the church house. Now he is 17. He will be 18 in December and at

this age he will moved to an another place – an elderly home. I haven't seen a nice elderly homes in the Perm region. He will live there until dies. It is horrible. Please pray for Sasha – we need people who will adopt him. This practice is not popular in Russia but I hope the church will see things differently.



Igor & Olga Ekaterinberg, Russia

Ekaterinberg, Russia

Last week Igor, Olga and a team of volunteers traveled roughly 1,500 miles in the Ekaterinberg, Region visiting some 300 orphans and adults with the Gospel. Places that have no churches that can minister to people. Places that are all but forgotten even by the government of Russia. God has not forgotten any of the residents and we are obligated by scripture as Christians to go to the utter most parts of the earth to carry the Gospel. These are dedicated workers with a commission of God to help as many widows and orphans as they can. Their commitment and dedication to their work is a great encouragement to me and all who work with NHOM International. Many of those

they visited were first time hearers of the Gospel and readily received the message that will save their souls. We couldn't be prouder of all of our team members and volunteers as we push towards victory in Christ.



Madhu

Jaffna,

Sri Lanka

Jaffna, Sri Lanka

Madhu has taken over the responsibilities of working with the widows in the Jaffna Region of Sri Lanka. She is a Pastor's wife and has worked with NHOM International from the beginning. She recently finished her college degree program and is loved by all the know her and work with her. She has great compassion and desire to help the widows in her area to become functional in their society. She is a great counselor and listens well to the needs of these widow ladies. She also has great wisdom in working with these ladies and their

needs. I have complete confidence in her abilities as coordinator and communicator.



Viktoria

Odessa,

Ukraine

Odessa, Ukraine

Viktoria was able to come to our 15 year NHOM International celebration in Tacoma, WA. She shared about her work and sang a beautiful Ukrainian song. Her work in Odessa, Ukraine has grown and she is excited about the opportunities that God has given to her. In Ukraine she and her team of volunteers are working with over 4,000 orphans, widows and elderly. She ministers to the needs of many handicapped as well. She is well respected in her church and community as well. We are so grateful to God to have someone so dedicated to the work God has placed before us.

Widows Ministry, Ekaterinburg

My work includes keeping the morale level of the widows in my church at a very high pitch. I make sure birthdays are recognized, the doors of communication are always open, having meetings one on one and collectively are all part of the plan to minister to these precious women who have lost their life mate. We are currently teaching hair dressing and helping them be creative in their ideas and thoughts.





Melaku Ethiopia

<u>Bahir Dar, Ethiopia</u>

There is a tremendous battle taking place even now as I am writing to you. The battle over souls. Satan would have you believe that the widows and orphans are not worth battling the forces of evil over. I tell you that is a lie. The widows and orphans are so precious to God and we must fight for them for they have no voice without us. I have been on the front lines of the battle fighting against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against the mighty powers of darkness who rule our world and against spiritual wickedness in high places. As NHOM draws closer to receiving NGO (non-government organization) status in Ethiopia the battle rages. Please pray with me that the strongholds of evil will come down and a great victory for the Lord Jesus Christ will prevail. We need to help the orphans and widows in my country and around the world.

<u>NHOM Prayer Requests</u>

1. Pray for the safety of our workers in Sri Lanka. The civil war has ended but the devastation and terrorist activities continue.

2. Pray that God would grant traveling mercies for all of our teams as they encounter some of the vilest road and trail conditions. Pray for the safety of our teams and volunteers because they are truly on the front lines of enemy territory.

4. Pray that the needs of NHOM's orphanage Ethiopia would be met.5. Pray for the financial needs of NHOM.

6. Pray for NHOM's Board of Directors.

7. Pray for NHOM's team leaders that God would grant them great grace and wisdom to continue there ministry.

8. Pray for open doors in all the countries we are involved with.

9. Pray for our nation that we would return to the Lord with a great repentance.

10. Pray that funds for newer vans and for the Sri Lanka widows center .

11. Pray for John and Evelyn that God would continue to give them strength for the task at hand.

12. Pray that finalization of the NGO application to Ethiopia would be completed so we can begin our work their.



Pictured above, 2nd from left, is Igor Medvedev our NHOM director for orphanage work in Ekaterinberg, Russia. He recently served on a panel of discussion about the plight of orphans in the Russia and Ukraine. Igor writes; "September 13-15 was a great event for our country, our region, our city and our church. we were involved in a very important program to support the state "Russia without orphans." We collaborated with the pastor from the Ukraine, who adopted 31 street children, with whom he traveled 4,700 km from Kiev to Yekaterinburg, in order to inspire people to take children to their families. One minister adopted nine children, seven of whom are diagnosed with HIV. In parallel with all these things, we have developed a new program of the anointed power of the word and prayer in a person's life.

Special Needs For Our Teams Perm, Russia \$1,000 Ministry Supplies \$1,000 Bibles Ekaterinberg, Russia \$15,000 Newer Van \$1,000 Ministry Supplies \$1,000 Bibles **Odessa**, Ukraine \$20,000 Van \$150 Screen \$1,000 Bibles \$1,000 Ministry Supplies Sri Lanka \$50,000 Widows Center \$500 Sunday School Supplies *Ethiopia* \$500 Monthly Rent \$20,000 Van \$500 School Supplies \$5,000 Furniture for new orphanage.

In Kandy, Sri Lanka the church has a ministry to the children of the villages where there are no churches. Once a year they bring them all together, hundreds of them, for a great time of singing, preaching and games. Many of them gave their hearts to the Lord as a result of this outreach. NHOM International is one of the supporters of this ministry.

<u>Travel With Us!</u> My tentative overseas travel schedule for 2013 is ; January 29 thru February 12 either Ethiopia or Sri Lanka May 7 thru May 14 Russia September 3 thru September 17 Russia or Ethiopia December 3 thru December 17 Ethiopia Come and join me for one of our ministry trips and watch and see how God uses and blesses you.

Notes from my Journal while in Sri Lanka 2012

While eating breakfast this morning there was a tour group of Asians eating as well. I was thinking in my mind that they were Buddhists but there seemed to be something about them that was different. They were a happy group laughing and talking loudly and just having a good time. As I pondered their reason for being here I also was praying how I might talk to them and witness about Jesus to them. Clearly they were speaking in a language I didn't understand and I heard no English being spoken.

As I pondered how to minister to them I realized it would be impossible so I just continued to read my Bible. One young man who saw me reading came to me and asked if I was a Christian. When I told him yes he told me he was a Christian as well. It seems this whole group is from Korea and has come to Sri Lanka to evangelize and work as missionaries to further the Gospel.

This experience showed me how I had prejudged this group and how I need to get my thought life in order. One of my faults is prejudging folks by appearance. I am right many times in my judgment but I can also be terribly wrong. Learning not to prejudge is part of loving my neighbor as I love myself and I am learning that what I feel or how my emotions react to a situation is not always right.



I went to a small Bible study and shared the Word of God with the group. One woman, who I have

known for several years, shared her testimony about her husband. They had been married for 42 years before he died. He was a rascal for 38 of those years. He was a bank executive in Kandy, drinking, smoking and chasing wild women the whole time. He was a Buddhist and very well known in the community. Many Sri Lankan men have extra marital affairs and or a

woman on the side. He made fun of his wife and resented her for becoming a believer. Four years before he died he got radically saved. He served the Lord with all his heart. He had a tremendous influence in his and he led many to the Lord.

On his deathbed as his strength began to sap, he opened his eyes and told his wife, "Look, sitting in the corner, it is Jesus and He is waiting for me." His wife asked what Jesus looked like and he said just like his picture. She asked what Jesus was doing and he said, "He is waiting for me" and he died.

Merry Christmas & A Soul-Winning New Year!