

SPRING NEWS 2025

BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE

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BIRUH TESFA SCHOOL

Water,

HFK is working to bring clean water to Biruh Tesfa (Bright Hope) Primary School, serving over 3,000 students in Korah. Located near our Berta feeding center, many of our children attend this school, struggling with overcrowded classrooms and limited resources. For two years, the school's water pump has been broken, requiring students to bring water from home.

We're pleased to share that HFK is helping to revive the school's well and ensure access to clean, safe water! This project will:

- Clean and restore the existing well
- Install a new submersible pump
- Test and ensure water quality
- Build water reservoirs for reliability
- Install plumbing, handwashing stations, and UV water purifiers
- Make the school's lavatories and kitchen fully operational

Together, we can help this school thrive!



CRAFTED TEXTILES

Maining

We have launched a new initiative aimed at empowering vulnerable women through income-generating activities. This project is designed to equip women with valuable skills in crafted textiles, offering them the opportunity to build a brighter future.

The program began several months ago with health, hygiene, life skills, and trauma training to build self-awareness, confidence, and resilience. Nine women began sewing, while ten started basket weaving, with the goal of joining HFK's Basket Weavers Cooperative. Originally funded by HFK's first USAID grant, the six-month training is now facing a funding gap due to recent cuts. We are raising the remaining \$9,000 CAD to complete the project. Despite this setback, we are committed to finishing this vital initiative and supporting these women, whose determination and hope inspire us. We will not let them down!



SUB-CITY DAYCARE

Play Grouna

HFK is developing an exciting new project in Kolfe Keraniyo Sub City: a 120 square meter playground for daycare children. This effort is part of our ongoing partnership with the local community to enhance infrastructure and improve lives of young learners.

The playground will feature vibrant, fun equipment such as slides, swings, tunnels, and a sandbox, creating a safe and engaging environment for outdoor play. A custom mural will brighten the space, while artificial turf ensures a clean, safe area for children to explore. Additionally, a large shade structure will protect kids from the sun and allow play in any weather.

We anticipate 170 children will benefit from this space, furthering HFK's commitment to providing safe, healthy environments that foster physical and social development for young children.





This January, 450 kids and moms got brand-new shoes, all thanks to the amazing generosity of our supporters! These shoes aren't just for walking—they are a symbol of love, care, and community. Huge thanks to everyone who gave—your kindness brought many smiles and so much gratitude, showing just how big an impact you made!

THANK YOU FOR OUR SHOES!

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Mew MUSIC PROGRAM LAUNCHED!

We're thrilled to announce the arrival of a new music program in Korah! After years of prayer and anticipation, this dream is now a reality, bringing joy and energy to the community. The children are already loving the music classes and instruments. Thanks to Abbotsford Christian School for providing a special grant to purchase instruments and hire a music teacher for the next two years.



TIRINGO'S

One of the most remarkable highlights of our recent trip to Ethiopia was visiting Tiringo at her newly opened restaurant. We were in awe of

newly opened restaurant. We were in awe of what this incredible woman has accomplished in such a short time! Tiringo's journey has been one of perseverance, sacrifice, and ultimately, empowerment, as she has worked tirelessly to break the cycle of poverty.

Tiringo's life has not been easy, but through every hardship, she has fought for a better future—for herself and her children. She endured poverty, was denied an education, survived an abusive marriage, and worked multiple jobs to provide for her family. As a single mother, her older children took on side jobs just to make it through another day. The sight of them working instead of studying broke her heart, knowing firsthand how hard it is to build a future without an education.

MUCH NEEDED - VAN FOR KORAH!

After 14 years of ministry, Hope for Korah has never owned a vehicle. With hundreds of children, families, and staff to support, the amount of purchasing and logistics required for our programs is overwhelming—groceries, supplies, daycare needs, elder care, medical needs and more. Without a dedicated vehicle, we rely on rented transportation, which is increasingly difficult to manage. If you'd like to help, we're raising funds to purchase a van that will efficiently transport staff, families, and supplies, enabling us to continue serving our community in meaningful ways.

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Tiringo Continued...

Joining HFK's Family Sponsorship program was a turning point for Tiringo, providing her with vital resources, training, and the support of a community that empowered her to transform her life and her children's futures. Tiringo conducted a market assessment and developed a business plan for a small restaurant in Korah. With initial funding from the HFK grant, she got her restaurant off the ground. Thanks to her hard work and determination, Tiringo's business has already become a profitable endeavor!

Tiringo's transformation is nothing short of inspiring. In just over one year, she has gone from struggling to feed her family to becoming an entrepreneur. Her journey is a beautiful reminder of God's faithfulness and the impact of trusting in His timing. Through HFK, Tiringo is changing her life and shaping her children's future with hope, courage, and a mother's unwavering love.

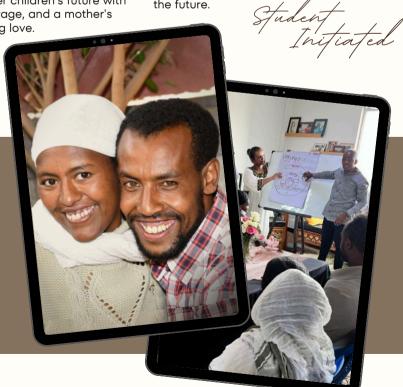


MEET X-HUB

One of our university students, Melaku, along with the support of his friends, has started a technology club called X-Hub for HFK university and high school students. Inspired by a successful club at his university, X-Hub's vision is to build a team of technical experts who support each other and their peers in lifelong learning. We had the privilege of joining 13 students at their first meeting and were truly impressed by their professionalism. Please pray for X-Hub's success and for it to bless the lives of these students today and in the future.

We had a fantastic time at our Couples Workshop in February with 25 couples in attendance! The day included a lovely lunch, insightful speakers, and a "Wheel of Life" exercise to assess key areas like romance, health, and finances. It was a fun, meaningful day filled with special moments and strengthened connections.

COUPLES WORKSHOP





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