#### HOPE 4 WOMEN INTERNATIONAL



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Whoever is kind to the **poor** lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done. Proverbs 19:17



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# Hope 4 Women International/Dress a Girl Around the World!

#### Project Dress a Girl! Spearheaded by YouTuber Mari!

What a month September was! Mari of <u>marisews.com</u> led the sewing community on YouTube in a thirty day sewing event to benefit Dress a Girl Around the World. You can visit her website and view all the fun videos done by Mari and her sewing friends. On her website Mari explains:

#### "What is Project Dress A Girl?

Project Dress A Girl is a charity event during the month of September where the sewing community gathers to make dresses to donate to the <u>ambassadors of Dress A Girl Around the World International.</u> It is driven by the sewing community on YouTube, with YouTubers sharing the details about the dresses they've made, fun tutorials, pattern resources, and information on how anyone can get involved. Beautiful dresses that are ready to be donated can be found on Instagram using #ProjectDressAGirl."

We've had such fun watching and participating on instagram and YouTube! It's inspired us to do an even better job of sewing these precious dresses for girls living in poverty around the world!

Mari's goal was to inspire the creation of 100 dresses! At the end of the month **790** dresses were reported to be made for Dress a Girl! We've been blown away by this project and of all of our new Dress a Girl friends!

May God bless Mari and all the participants who made this an over the moon experience!







#### ZOOM CALLS FOR AMBASSADORS



We had our first ambassador zoom call in September! It was so fun to see so many ambassadors get on the call—some were able to see one another for the first time! We discussed ideas, issues, and more. Lyn, from Canada suggested when people make dolls that it would be great to have the eyes open—that way when the little girl is talking to her doll they can "see" one another. Another piped up and said they have someone who makes dolls and hand paints the faces—one side has the eyes closed in sleep and the other side has the eyes open. Kay, from Las Vegas was asking for dresses. Judy, from Ohio is looking for warmer style dresses with leggings for her trip to Appalachia on November 1st.

It was a great first experience and I look forward to doing it again next month and posting tips from our ambassadors. Here are some of your dedicated ambassadors! Thank you all for being the volunteer super stars that you are!



#### WOMEN SPONSORSHIP!

Kevin is 48 years old. She was forced to drop out of school in the third grade because her parents lacked school fees. She married a peasant farmer and they had seven children. She sells fish but does not have enough capital to sustain her business. She believes when God provides a sponsor she will be able to increase her inventory and her business, buy basic necessities for her family and educate her children. Currently Kevin suffers from high blood pressure and with your support she will be able to afford proper medical care



Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after widows and orphans in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

James 1:27

For \$36 a month for one year you can sponsor Kevin or another widow in need. Please contact <u>Lisa@h4wi.org</u> to sign up today!

#### **Sponsor a Woman!**





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Your tax-deductible one year commitment of \$36 a month will enroll a woman in our women in business program in Uganda! At the end of one year she will graduate with a business of her own.

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Thank you for bringing the promise of God's hope to the life of a woman!

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# HEADQUARTERS LENDING LIBRARY!







We've added a lending library to our gift shop! Come and check out our books! You can even sit and read in our comfortable Hope 4 Healing room. We have cute "dress" bags for you to purchase to carry your books home!

We have wonderful, Amish novels, by authors such as Tricia Goyer and books by my friend and favorite fiction author, Dr. Rita Garcia—The Serenity Cove Series. These books are so fun to read. If I start reading at night I know I will be reading into the wee hours! You can stop in and check out books from this series or if you aren't local you can download Rita's books to your kindle on amazon! Just type in Rita Garcia Serenity Cove! While you are on smile amazon don't forget to type in your favorite charity Hope 4 Women International. Amazon Smile gives us a small percentage of every \$ you spend!









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### HEADQUARTERS THIS AND THAT!

September was a fun month at Hope 4 Women International Headquarters! We not only enjoyed watching Mari's videos and her progress in her Project Dress a Girl but we participated by making dresses for the effort! Pearl, our Washington/Oregon ambassador was visiting and she and I made dresses. Mine was a bit of a disaster and I ended up making another but Pearl's was just perfect! We love having visitors at headquarters and would love to have you show up and spend a Tuesday with us! We hosted Pearl and her sister and our New Jersey seamstress, Nancy and her husband on our acreage and enjoyed getting to know them better.

Nancy sews twin dresses for our Buy a Dress—Give a Dress program and brought a box of fifty dresses along with bags of fabric and trim! And to top off all the wonderful gifts, her husband helped-or I should say I helped him—change out the door to my she-shed!

We love having guests at home and at headquarters! God has blessed us so much!









We gave out 13 prayer shawls/lap blankets and five comfort baskets in September. We donated 653 dresses to Operation Christmas Child.

If you or a loved one need prayer please email <a href="mailto:Rachel@h4wi.org">Rachel@h4wi.org</a>.

If you live in Northern Iowa and have someone who would enjoy receiving a visit and a comfort basket email Rachel as well.

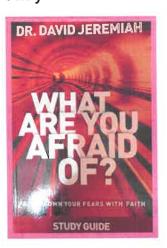






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Bible study every Tuesday night at 5PM! We're studying What Are You Afraid of by Dr. David Jeremiah. Nancy Johnson Larson, everybody's favorite librarian, leads this fascinating study. Everyone is welcome!

## FINAL THOUGHTS!

Thank you for being involved in Hope 4 Women International! Through your support and encouragement and involvement we are able to carry out our programs. We appreciate each of you—from those who make dresses, sponsor women, the ambassadors and many volunteers, for those who pray for this ministry and donate your valuable time and funds to make it all possible. Together we can make a huge impact in this world.

I get emails all the time from volunteers who are struggling with illness and other life issues. We know that life gets hard sometimes and when we say that we will pray for you we take that seriously. We don't have all the answers. I don't know why some people get well and others don't. I do know that God is not a distant God and He hears our cries and even when it seems He's not listening—He is in control.

Recently I experienced double vision that lasted for about three months. I had to go through a lot of tests and today I went in for a MRI and a MRA. Many of you prayed for me. I told God: "Whichever way this goes—You are a good God! I trust You." I knew that I was in His hands and would accept whatever the results were. It was with a grateful heart that I heard the words from my doctor: "You can thank God that you have a young and perfect brain!" He told me that they have run every possible test on me and there is no sign of why I had double vision for several months. He finally decided I must have had a virus and said I should follow up in 45 years! I don't have any answers of why I get a clean bill of health and someone with more faith than I have does not. I just have to trust Him and thank Him.

I'd like to remind you that I am available for speaking! I love getting out and meeting people who are involved or are just curious about what we do. You can email me about that <a href="mailto:rachel@h4wi.org">rachel@h4wi.org</a>
Thank you again for being on this journey!
May God bless you richly.
Rachel.



Be sure to let our Hope 4 Healing Ministry know if you need prayer! We're here for you! Please email Rachel@h4wi.org to request prayer for yourself or a loved one.

Thank you for your continued support!

If you are able to make a financial donation during this critical time, may God bless you richly!

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