



**Making**  **the Grade**  
Hope for African Youth

2018/19



# MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission is to identify, help, empower and cultivate our youth so that they become independent - self-accomplished human beings. We create opportunities for our youth through education, healthcare, housing, nourishment and mentorship that help our students become great citizens and influential people.



**Over 75 Students  
in Ethiopia**

**In July 2019**

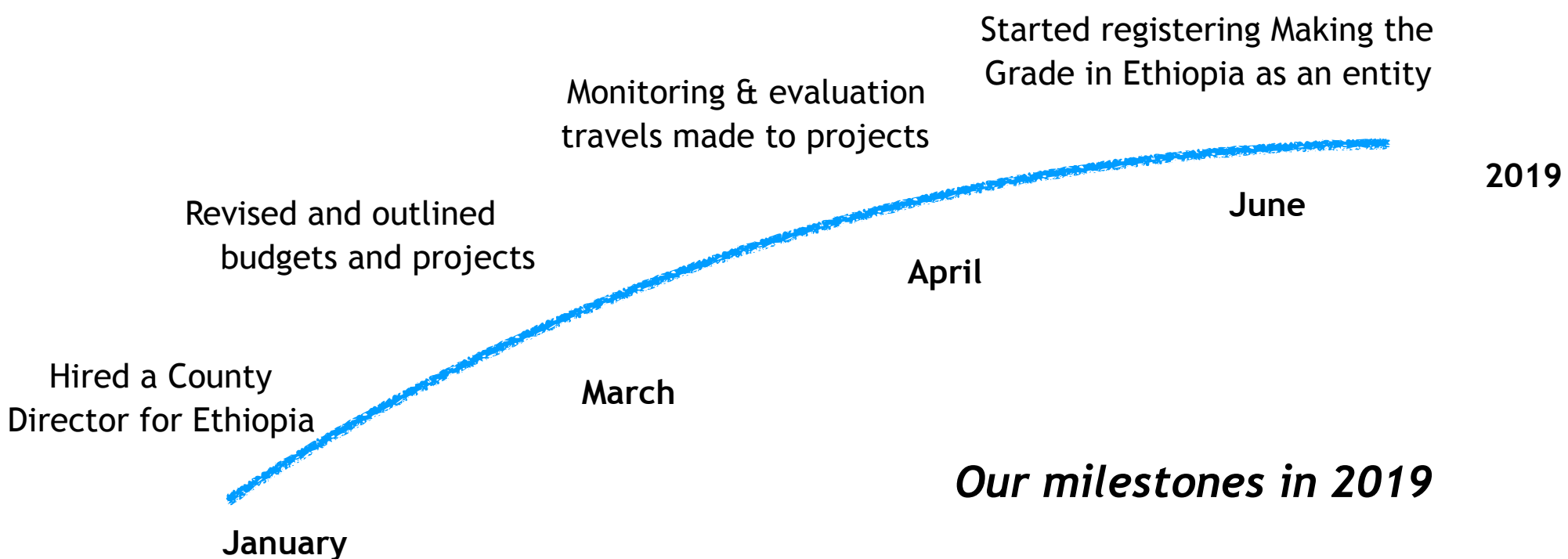


**7 Houses**



**7 Graduates**

# MILESTONES





# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

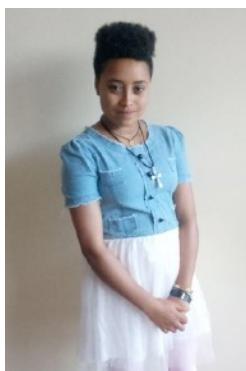
A SNAPSHOT OF SUCCESS



Mekdes Wondwossen graduated this year with her Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and Finance from University of Haramaya in Harar. Because of serious health issues, Mekdes had spine surgery in Ghana in her early teen years and then with great resilience, continued her education. She became part of our organization in 2013 and has been in our house ever since. Mekdes says "Thank you for helping me reach to this success."



Azmera Lewtu graduated this year with a diploma in clinical nursing from Universal Medical College. She is acting manager of our Girl's house in Addis Ababa and is an amazing role model. Azmera is currently interning at Landmark Hospital, one of the most respected hospitals in Addis Ababa.



Christina Aboset is an aspiring heart surgeon. She is a charming and bright 7th grade student that joined MTG just this year and is already one of our top-ranking students. She is also a cardiac patient and had surgery last year- but that didn't stop her from following her dreams. She is an excellent role model and volunteers to help other students and patients her age to overcome their fears. She is a living testimony that anything is possible despite a difficult life journey.



Emebet Molla graduated this year with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance. She is one of our brave students who had to gone through many challenges in life but has been able to conquer them all. Emebet is a single mom to a 3 year-old boy named Biruk. She is raising him with the help of other students in her house and has managed to pursue her education and graduate this year. She is ready to work and give back by taking on an executive role in her house for MTG. Emebet is very grateful for the support she has been receiving and is one of our inspiring and strong female students.



MTG was fortunate to be able to facilitate surgery for this lovely young baby. MTG sent Wongel for surgery in Kochi, India at Amrita Hospital for open heart surgery to repair a life threatening heart defect. Surgery was performed on July 31 with complete success! Thank you for all of you that helped save this child's life.

*Baby Wongel 5 days after surgery*

## SODDO PROJECT:



The Soddo project mainly helps students who deal with a disability. All students that are being supported by this project are visually impaired or deaf. Our organization has donated several items to the students in Soddo to help them with their studies. Over 40 students with disabilities are in this project receiving the support that they need in order to achieve their dreams. Thank you for your generous donation, we were able to provide these students with:

- Braille tablets, Braille paper, and styluses
- Uniforms
- Stationary materials

## LALIBELA PROJECT:



The Lalibela project boasts many great students. We support three houses-two for young ladies and one for young men. Our students range from elementary school to University. The local Kebele (area government) recommended these students because of their eagerness to learn new things and their great need for support. MTG will soon launch a Girl's Empowerment program with our Lalibela students. This year our students received additional school and clothing supplies because of your generous donations.



## SUITCASE PROJECT:



MTG sent over 500 pounds of clothing and supplies for our students through our suitcase project. We have sent clothing and supplies for our students and two infants as well as supplies for our Soddo project. We have sent school supplies, computers and books. They have been distributed to many students in several of the houses in Addis Ababa and Soddo.

Dear MTG Supporters,

MTG has achieved great success with the help of its supporters and staff this year!

MTG implemented many changes this year in organizational structure, policies, and staff. We believe that the plans, actions, and changes made this year are in step with making MTG an even more outstanding organization. We could not have achieved so much without the help of our supporters.

Our students are growing into thriving adults, launching into independence and becoming great citizens.

On behalf of our board, staff and students- Thank you!

With gratitude,

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Chief Executive Officer

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