



2017 Annual Report





***We lift
communities by
serving orphans.***





President's Report

As President of the Board of F4O, I am delighted to share the best F4O news to date! The Dondo Orphanage is welcoming children after a long and seemingly unending path. This is a great milestone for you, the people who support F4O, but most importantly, for the beautiful youngsters who will finally enjoy a safe and nurturing home where they will be able to thrive. We learned a lot in the process of building and opening that facility. This has given us tremendous experience that will lead F4O to faster completion of our future orphanage projects.

In other news, a highlight of 2017 was the F4O visit to Mozambique in November by Executive Director, Wayne Lavender and Board Member, Robert Mayette. While in country, Wayne and Rob participated in the dedication of the Dondo facility and obtained the final commitment of local partners to complete the Dondo Orphanage. They also attended the ground-breaking ceremony for F4O's next project; the orphanage in Lichinga, Mozambique. Through these efforts, F4O continues its commitment to serve these "forgotten" children.

Throughout the year, Wayne continued to raise awareness, and funds, for the plight of orphans world-wide through 17 speaking engagements in 7 states. He made great progress in obtaining support for F4O's next building project in Lichinga, which is in the poorest, most Northern, section of Mozambique, and is working with several churches that are interested in partnering with F4O on future projects.

In 2017, we saw some changes in our Board. We said good bye to Coreena D'Alessandro, with many heartfelt thanks for her years of service, and welcomed Kevin Buckley and Mark Rozell. Steve Wall-Smith turned over the reins as treasurer to Mr. Buckley. Rob Mayette has served as an "ad-hoc" board member and liaison to the Jessie Lee Memorial United Methodist Church. We cannot thank Rob, and the wonderful supporters from Jessie Lee, enough for their efforts.

As 2018 begins, we are thankful for the work of F4O and for the amazing generosity of our supporters. I invite you to ask others who share your passion for the underserved children of the world to join us in our work. I look forward to being able to tell you again next year, that more children are safe and cared for in nurturing homes thanks to your support.

Lance Wolf

"We lift both the communities of the donors and those where the orphans live, building bridges of peace between these disparate populations."

- Rev. Wayne Lavender, Ph.D.



Executive Director's Report

From time to time, life offers opportunities where time seems to stand still and we breathe in the sacred moments. This past year I had many such moments during our trip to Mozambique in October. Rob Mayette and I were able to visit an orphanage we constructed in 2005 that is now home to 70 children, dedicate a new orphanage for 48 children in Dondo, and participate in a ground-breaking ceremony for a new orphanage in Lichinga, Mozambique. The trip was like magic – inspirational, moving and rewarding.

Through this annual report, I hope to show you what we saw, who we are and what we do. I hope to bring you – through the words and pictures of this printed document, along with us on this incredibly powerful trip as we visited locations where children are literally saved from death's door.

Further, I hope to entice you to partner with us this year or beyond. There are an estimated million non-profit organizations across the United States. Most do great work. Why F4O?

- We are a 501 c 3 IRS approved non-profit that has been able to use 91 percent of all donations and income to help those in need, our orphans and vulnerable children.
- We serve the least, the last and the lost through providing housing and access to potable water, food, education and health services.
- We build bridges of peace in the communities where we work, exporting grace, peace, mercy and love.
- We lift communities through service to orphans. This works in multiple directions: we lift communities where we serve orphans and vulnerable children, and we lift donor communities through our work as they come together for a common cause, put their faith to action and know that lives are being saved and peace is being made.

Thank you for your ongoing support through the years. Thank you for reading this report and journeying with us to Mozambique, Iraq and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. And thank you for considering working with us this year or into the future.

In Peace-

Wayne Lavender



Joaquina Nhanala

*Presiding Bishop, United Methodist Church
Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland, Madagascar*

The Rev. Joaquina Nhanala was the first United Methodist woman elected as a bishop in Africa. She was elected in 2008 and appointed to serve as bishop of Mozambique. Since then, her responsibility has expanded: today, she is the presiding bishop for Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland and Madagascar, an area of over one million square miles (approximately 25 percent of the entire United States).

Bishop Nhanala understands orphans and their needs. Prior to her election as bishop, she served as the director of the United Methodist Women in Mozambique, a position in which she oversaw the church's efforts to serve the orphans and vulnerable children of her country.

During our visit to Mozambique in October, 2017, Bishop Nhanala asked the Foundation 4 Orphans to continue our work in her nation as partners. Mozambique is home to an estimated 2 million orphans, and the infant mortality rate of 88 per 1,000 is among the highest in the world. South Africa has an estimated 3.7 million orphans, Madagascar 900,000 and Swaziland another 100,000. Bishop Nhanala is the resident bishop of an area experiencing an orphan crisis!

Her short-term goal is for us to construct new orphanages in the following areas:

- Nampula, Mozambique
- Tete, Mozambique
- Xai Xai, Mozambique
- Maputo, Mozambique
- Swaziland
- South Africa – multiple locations yet to be named
- Madagascar



Each of these orphanages will cost approximately \$125,000 and be home for 50 children. It is our hope and dream to find individuals, communities, churches, synagogues or civic organizations that are willing to partner with us to fulfill this vision.

Working with our partners in Mozambique, we can, and will, lift communities by serving these precious children.



Bishop Joaquina Nhanala's territory
highlighted in pink

Dondo

A joyful dedication.

The dedication of the new orphanage in Dondo, Mozambique, was the emotional culmination of a long journey that began in 2005 when members of the Dondo United Methodist Church had the vision of caring for local orphans and vulnerable children in their own facility. They drafted a set of plans for a series of buildings that would provide housing for 48 children and began praying for funding for this new facility.

We at the Foundation 4 Orphans heard of their plans in 2015. Church members from the Jesse Lee Memorial United Methodist Church in Ridgefield, Connecticut, provided most of the funding. A groundbreaking ceremony took place in February, 2016, and Rob Mayette and Wayne Lavender were present for the orphanage dedication on October 18, 2017.



It is our hope and prayer that this new home for 48 children will be a place of grace, peace, mercy and love, providing a safe shelter for these and other children in which to be raised. Based on our model of community-based orphan care, the church will play a significant part in serving as role models for these children by working to ensure the children receive food, water, health care and their education.





Lichinga

The groundbreaking of the Lichinga Orphanage.

On October 14, 2017, Rob Mayette and I had the special opportunity and privilege of participating in a ground breaking/laying the cornerstone ceremony in Lichinga, Mozambique.

This orphanage will house 60 children and is located right next to the church and a short walk from the schools and a medical facility.



An estimated 1,000 orphans and vulnerable children live on the streets of Lichinga: with your help, we are giving some of them a home and hope with plans to expand after we reach a level of sustainability for the first 60 children.

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The Foundation 4 Orphans

Financials (Unaudited) *

	2014	2015	2017
Opening Balance	\$9,940.47	\$12,118.56	\$35,575.87
Income			
Restricted, Dondo Orphanage		\$59,287.49	
Restricted, Oregon Trail		\$34,229.60	
Unrestricted	\$5,659.15	\$914.09	
Profit, RV Sale		\$200.00	
Orphanage, Dondo			\$40,000.00
Orphanage, DRC			\$29,975.00
Undesignated			\$23,291.23
Total Income	\$5,659.15	\$94,631.18	\$93,266.23
Expenses			
Bank and Corporation Fees	\$460.00	\$330.95	\$65.44
Services			
Communications	\$49.00 -	\$2,499.08	
Consulting		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Insurance		\$995.88	
Mailing	\$11.64	\$62.05	
RV Maintenance / Repair		\$411.94	
Printing and Publications	\$2,888.54	\$3,205.30	\$2,018.18
Web Services	\$71.88	\$529.85	
The Oregon Trail		\$43,029.16	
Dondo Orphanage Construction		\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00
Cambine Cyclone Dineo Repairs			\$8,200.00
Salaries			\$4,867.50
Travel			\$2,913.06
Equipment			\$3,351.64
Honoraria			\$1,654.00
Errata			\$276.26
Total Expenses	\$3,481.06	\$70,565.13	\$62,845.16
Closing Balance	\$12,118.56	\$36,184.61	\$65,996.94

*The Foundation 4 Orphan's fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30.

Lubumbashi

Newest orphanage in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to serve 80 children.

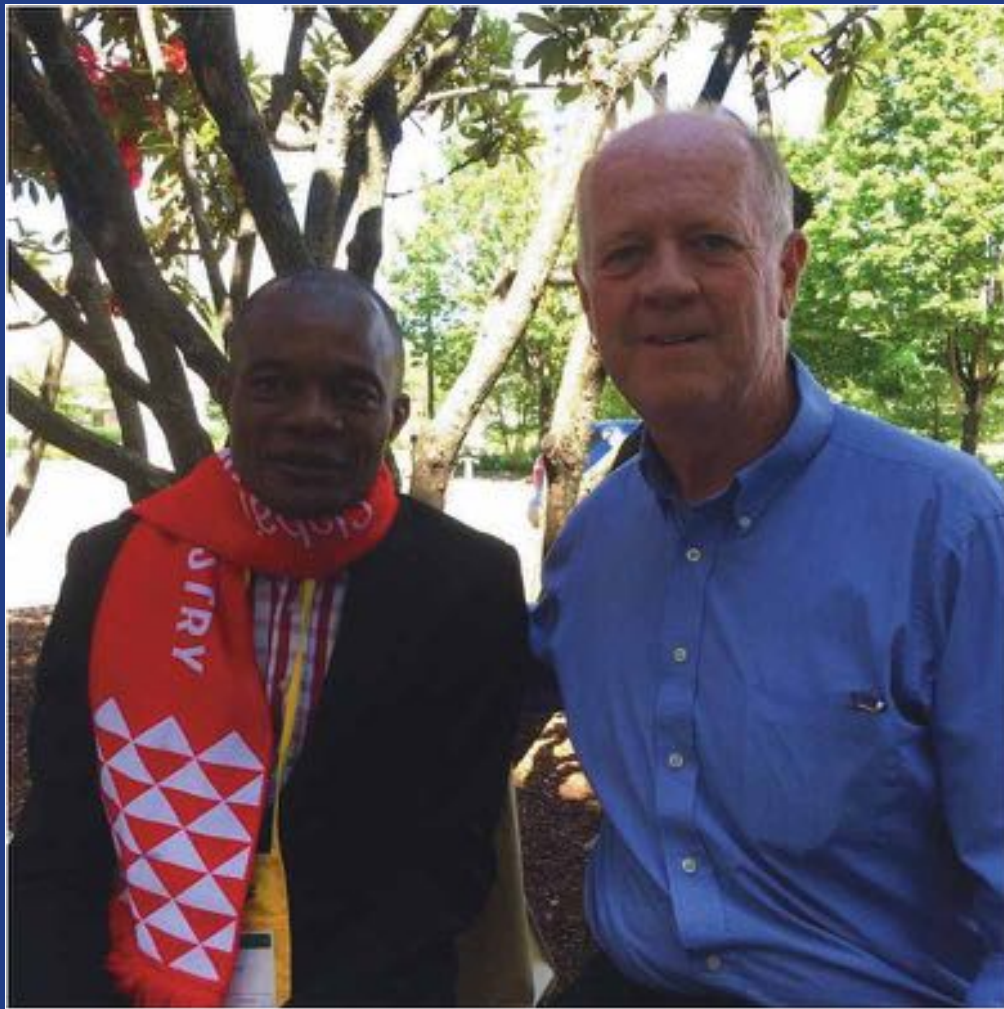
The Democratic Republic of the Congo is a large nation (905,000 square miles, approximately 25 percent the size of the entire United States) in the heart of Sub-Sahara Africa. Its population of 67.7 million persons includes over 4 million orphans.

The Foundation 4 Orphans, in partnership with the South Congo Conference of the United Methodist Church, is in the midst of a fundraising effort to raise \$200,000 for the construction of a new orphanage in Lubumbashi, a large city of 1.8 million persons located in the southeastern part of the nation. This new orphanage will host 80 orphaned and or vulnerable children within a United Methodist Church compound that includes a church, health clinic and schools for children from primary grades through high school.

Our primary contact for this project will be the Rev. Kanyimb Mbaz (Caleb), an ordained United Methodist pastor who has been appointed to this UMC center by his bishop, Rev. Kainda Katembo. Caleb and Wayne have been friends since first meeting each other in Mozambique in 2002 and Caleb, moved by the work with orphans in Mozambique, knew that one day he would be helping orphans in his own country.

Through December 31, 2017, we have secured donations totaling \$30,000 for this orphanage. We look forward to surpassing \$100,000, from which we will commence construction having faith that the remaining funds will come in.





Wayne Lavender posing with the Rev. Kanyimb Mbaz (Caleb) in Portland, May, 2016. Wayne and Caleb were in Portland for General Conference of the United Methodist Church.

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"The Foundation 4 Orphans builds bridges of peace!" - Rev. Wayne Lavender, Ph.D.

