

## Opening Eyes in Haiti (cont.)

*Anna Francis:*

"I had never gone on a mission trip before. I had only been out of the country once, and I certainly did not know their language. I didn't know most of the girls who were going, but I took a step of faith because I knew in some way it would save my life by strengthening my faith. We couldn't swallow the water or we'd be sick, we couldn't flush the toilet every time to save water, and most of the food was foreign in some way. Definitely not glamorous, yet so beautiful. Each stop broke our hearts more, yet each stop stole our hearts more. This place was shaping me and revealing so much to me. In this place, filled with poverty, trash, bumpy roads, malnourished children, and no job opportunities, there was no glamour, but there was so much beauty. We didn't need to share a language, because love has no boundaries."



## Rice, Beans, and Chicken Feet (cont.)

Thanks to Southbrook and all the other churches, businesses, college groups, and civic clubs producing meals for hungry children everywhere. And if you

travel with us, you might get to experience the entire process for yourself, from rice and beans at your church to chicken feet on a child's plate!

## Praises & Prayer Requests

### PRAISES

- The spiritual legacy that Dr. J.L. Williams left this ministry and countless others
- Many open doors of outreach through Packathons and mission trips
- The nearing start of our 50th year of ministry—to God be the glory!

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Patt Williams and the rest of the family as they go forward in this life without J.L.
- For the upcoming J.L. Memorial Packathon in May to be a fitting tribute
- Much traveling in upcoming days; may God grant us safety and spiritual success

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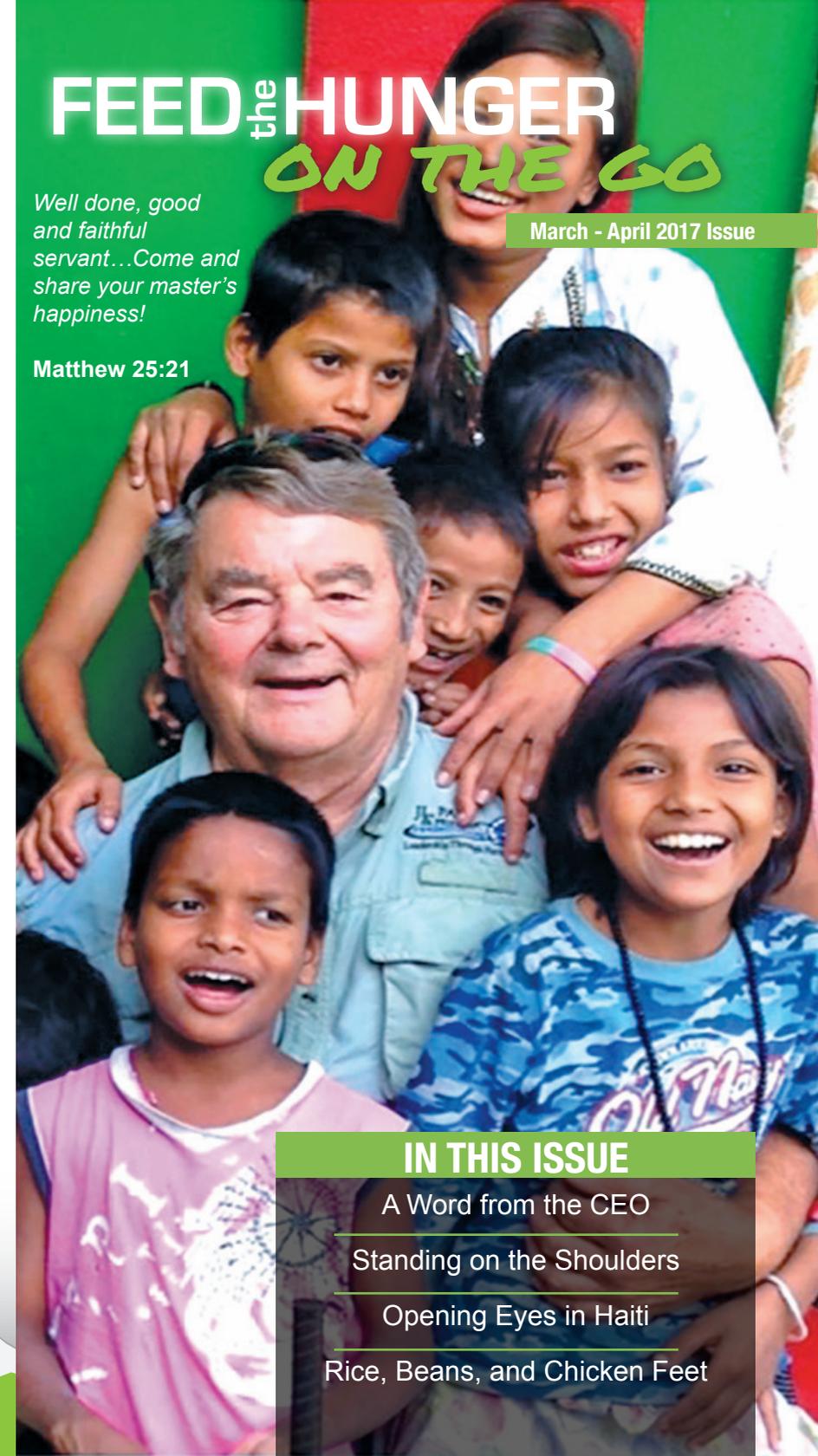


# FEED the HUNGER ON THE GO

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Well done, good and faithful servant... Come and share your master's happiness!

Matthew 25:21



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## A Word from the CEO



Greetings in the Name of Christ,

As Feed the Hunger is in full swing with mission trips and Packathons, we go forward with a heavy but grateful heart after the passing of Feed the Hunger's founder, my dad. The monthly mission teams and weekly food packing events are a result of the incredibly deep foundation he left. I recall the recent words of a longtime friend and partner from Africa who said, "Your dad wasn't a perfect man, but he was a great man." I agree.

The best way we can honor my dad is to continue honoring God with everything we do. Our pledge is to strive harder to feed spiritual and physical hunger in their most basic forms through God's Word and food. We want to see people get saved at Packathons and on mission trips, not just have fulfilling experiences. May God be glorified in all that we do for Him.

Pressing on in Jesus' Name,

Joseph Williams, CEO



## Opening Eyes in Haiti

Go on a mission trip with Feed the Hunger and your life will be changed! Seven students from the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) traveled to Haiti in January, experiencing both heartache and joy along the way.

*Madison:*

*"The mission trip to Haiti with Feed the Hunger was a life changing experience. This was my first mission trip outside of the US, and I had no idea what to expect. People can tell you how bad something is and show you pictures, but you can't fully grasp the severity of the poverty in a third-world country until you are actually there. Haiti opened my eyes and my heart. The people there are filled with so much love and hope in the Lord, though they struggle every day just to survive. I definitely want to go back to Haiti and love on the children who need it the most!"*



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## Rice, Beans, and Chicken Feet

A little over three months ago, Feed the Hunger shipped 276,480 meals to Kingston, Jamaica. In early February, 10 missionaries from Southbrook Church traveled with us to Jamaica to see those meals "in action." We visited five schools with a total enrollment of about 500 children—most of whom were between the ages of three and five. We fed children, played games with them, sang songs with them, taught Bible stories, encouraged their cooks and teachers, and generally tried to reflect Jesus everywhere we went.

We met "Pinky," a three-year-old (*bottom right*) whose father was gunned down while he was holding her. It was a senseless act of violence by people with a grudge against his brother.

We met a school principal, Mrs. Maitland, who has been teaching for 37 years in hard conditions with very little pay—the equivalent of about \$180 USD per month.



And we met Patricia, a school cook (*above*) who works hard each day to prepare healthy and delicious meals for "her precious children." Just seven or eight meal packets served with curried goat, kidney, chicken, or chicken feet provided enough food for the 40 children (and six adults) at her school that day.

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## Standing on the Shoulders

On December 28, 2016, our ministry's founder was reunited with his Savior in heaven. Dr. J.L. Williams and his wife, Patt, started an interracial singing group ministry in 1968 that would travel across America and around the world to spread the message of Jesus Christ.

J.L. was a pioneer in cross-cultural relationships as well, choosing pri-

marily to minister alongside strategic Christian leaders. The goal was to equip their already effective ministries and take them to another level. And he did just that.

We stand on his spiritual shoulders and attempt to carry a part of his legacy forward, for his legacy is far more than us: it's the hundreds he personally mentored and the untold

thousands he touched in one way or another over the decades.

We were able to honor J.L. while he was alive with the construction of the Church Planters Training Center in Coimbatore, India. For years to come, eager Bible college students would be disciplined and sent out, just as J.L. had done by simply following the model of Jesus.

Now, as we are on the doorstep of the ministry's 50th anniversary year (August 2017 – August 2018), we seek to honor J.L. and the burden he had for ISIS victims and others by holding special Packathons starting the last weekend in April and possibly into summer. Please contact us for the latest information, dates, and locations so we can have your help in honoring our founder.