

### Rescuing Lives, Transforming Communities

Impact Nations is a Christ-centered organization that brings hope and restoration to the poor and vulnerable in the developing world through both supernatural and practical expressions of the Kingdom of God.



We accomplish our mission through 3 types of activity



Journeys of Compassion

Everyone is invited! Putting hands and feet to the Gospel.



Relief Efforts

Meeting the basic needs of people in desperate situations.

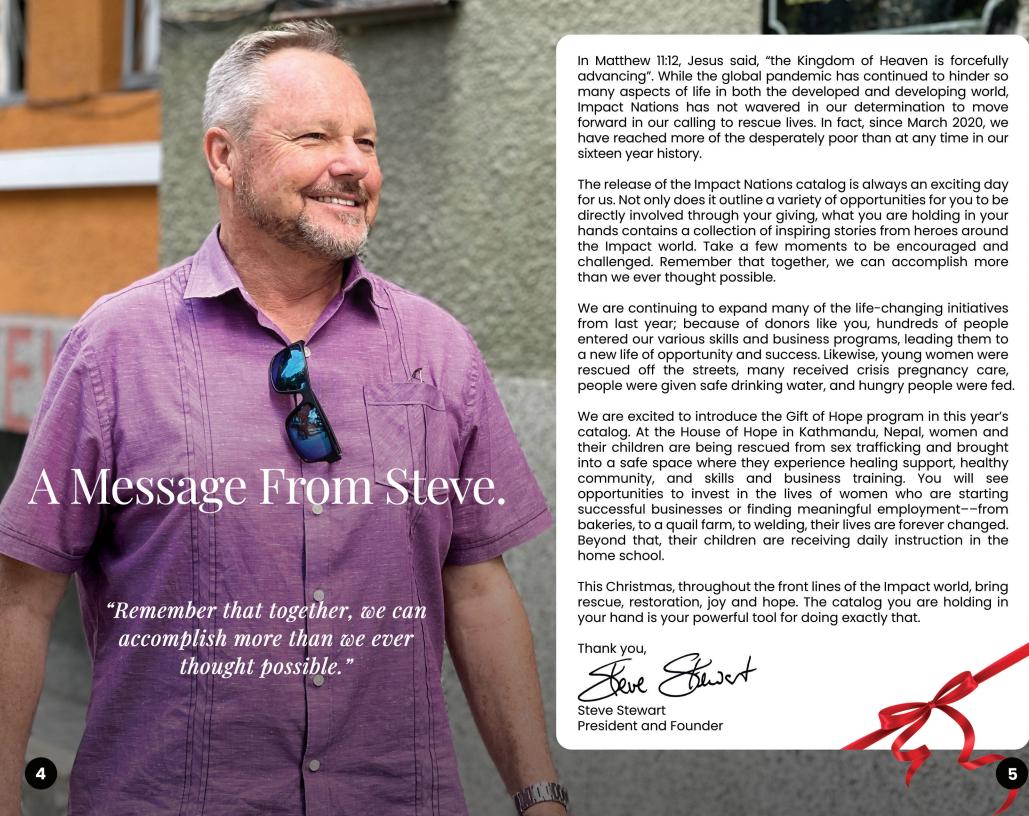


Skills & Business
Training

Empowering people to become self-sustained.

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### Meet Salvatrice.



Salvatrice was only 12 years old when she fled the war-torn Democratic Republic of the Congo. "One night, the rebels broke into our house and tried to rape my mother. My father tried to resist and they shot him in the head right in front of me and my young siblings."

As they ran into the woods, Salvatrice and two of her younger siblings became **separated from their mother**. They were never reunited. As the violence increased, Salvatrice and her siblings were forced to flee the region. Walking for months, they eventually found themselves in Uganda where they wandered the streets and begged for food.

Living in the slums of Kampala, Salvatrice longed to return to school but knew that an undocumented refugee and orphan had no hope. When she learned of the Elevate program, where our partners are teaching young people digital skills such as graphic design, Salvatrice enrolled immediately.

> In addition to computer skills, Salvatrice was also learning how to search for work and stand out in job interviews. After only three months of classes, she had already secured a part-time job as an administrative assistant with a local business, allowing her to send her younger siblings to school.

"I am so happy about my progress at Elevate. I am now learning design since I have basic computer skills so that I can add more value to myself. I can earn more and help my siblings go to school too."

> Every year, Impact Nations trains hundreds of people like Salvatrice, providing them with the skills they need to overcome crippling poverty. You can be a part of their story. You can help someone gain marketable skills and start a business of their own.

## The Gift of Sustainability.



\$100 Start-up loan

Help make a business idea become a reality and change a life forever.



**Business Training** 

Provide a person with 40 hours of business coachina.



**Business Training & Loan** 

Your gift will help a vulnerable person become self-sufficient.

We believe that the Gospel of God's Kingdom carries the power to transform lives. Our goal is to provide the help needed to move both individuals and communities into long-term sustainability, not dependence upon any outside source.

One of the primary ways that we accomplish this goal is through our various Skills and Business Development courses. Each of those courses walk students through three stages: Rescue, Restoration, and Release.

Every year, Impact Nations trains hundreds of skills and business students across Uganda, India, Kenya, and Nepal.

What is training without an opportunity to start a business? Small start-up loans ensure that individuals who have received in-depth training are able to start their first business and begin providing for their families.

### Meet Zainah.



Zainah grew up in the village of Kyengeza with her mother and six siblings. Her father left when she was five years old, leaving Zainah with the responsibility of contributing to the family income by sellina avocados in her own stall.

At the age of 17, as she was returning home after a long day of selling her produce, Zainah was ambushed by a man in her village. He stole her innocence and left her full of shame and terror, afraid that her mother would beat her if she ever learned of the incident. The family had already experienced this type of trauma; when Zainah's older sister was 16, she became pregnant and died during childbirth because her body was too frail.

Weeks after the attack, Zainah became ill and her mother sent her to the hospital for a check-up. During the appointment, they learned that Zainah was pregnant. Afraid that Zainah would die just as the older sister had, her mother was enraged by the pregnancy and beat her mercilessly. In her anger, she chased Zainah away from their home and did not allow her to return.

Frightened and alone, Zainah lived on the streets without the means to provide for herself or her unborn child. Eventually, a village health team was able to reunite Zainah with her mother while also referring her to our partners who were able to provide much needed medical intervention and ongoing counseling to help her recover from the trauma.

> On June 6th, Zainah gave birth by c-section to a beautiful, healthy baby boy named Joshua. The support that Zainah received likely saved her from meeting the same fate that her sister had suffered. Instead, Zainah and her baby boy are now living in peace with her mother, and the whole family is confident that God has a wonderful plan for them.

> > One of the young mothers in our program

### **Rescue Two Generations**



### **Prenatal Care**

Includes all doctor's visits, lab tests, ultrasounds, vitamins and medicine.



**Labor & Delivery**Covers the hospital bill for a standard delivery of a healthy baby.



### **Complete Care**

Includes prenatal care, labour and delivery, and postnatal care.

Countless young girls face the horrors of family abuse and child marriage in Uganda every year. Without intervention they end up on the streets and their babies may die.

With the help of our partners, The Remnant Generation, YOU could be the one to rescue a mother and her unborn baby.

# Meet Sapana.



At the **age of** *eight*, **Sapana was abandoned** outside of a temple in Kathmandu. Her mother was getting remarried, and Sapana didn't fit into her plans for the future. After searching for her mother in vain, Sapana eventually found refuge at a local hostel where they provided her with shelter and enrolled her in school.

Wrestling with an overwhelming sense of rejection, it wasn't long before Sapana was skipping classes in order to seek affection from young men. Eventually, she left school and found herself working in a dance bar where she enjoyed the attention of men who would lavish her with gifts—gifts with strings attached. It took years for Sapana to escape the abuse.

When we found her, Sapana was **living in squalor above a cow shed** overrun with dirt and flies. She had a six-year-old son, an eight-month-old daughter, and a heart full of pain from years of trauma. Our team took all three of them back to the *House of Hope* shelter, where the long road to healing could begin. It was a full seven months before Sapana's son was emotionally ready to begin his studies. He has begun to learn his colors, shapes, and letters in the *House of Hope* homeschool program, where he can feel confident in the safety and routine of his new life. When asked if he wanted to visit his father, his answer was revealing, **"Why would we go back to the man who choked us?"** 

We can confidently say Sapana's vision is clearer these days. She has come to faith in Jesus and was recently baptized. The basic skills and business education she received this past year is helping to set her up for success in her new job at a nearby quail farm.

She is graduating from our one year program with an understanding of values, good parenting, and small business skills. No one is prouder than Sapana herself as she moves out on her own to live independently, able to provide for herself and her beautiful children.

# The Gift of Hope.



\$40

#### **Child's Education**

Send a child to school for a year while their mother is restored and trained. This includes books and school fees.



\$170

#### **Women in Welding**

Train a woman to weld. It may seem like a man's world, but this is a lucrative business where we can empower women.



\$300

#### **Start a Small Business**

Empower a woman with the capital she needs to start a business. It could be anything from tailoring to a food cart

\$750

#### **One Year of Transformation**

Provide a safe and secure environment for an at-risk woman to learn skills like handicrafts, farming, tailoring, and welding alongside soft skills like parenting, values, inner healing, and leadership.

Each year, the House of Hope ministers to dozens of single mothers and their children. This one year program provides a safe place for Nepal's most vulnerable women to discover their destiny through ongoing discipleship and skills training. You can help!

### Meet Sushma.



Sushma lived with her husband and three children in a community of roadside merchants, where families earned a living by selling hand-carved idols and canes. Strict pandemic lockdowns eliminated all road traffic, putting an immediate end to their businesses. With no means to provide for themselves, *the whole community was soon starving*.

When our team found her, Sushma had reached a new level of desperation and hopelessness. We had come to bring food for the starving, but Sushma was experiencing heartbreak that we could never have anticipated. In the weeks leading up to the pandemic, her eldest daughter had become very ill. Unable to afford medical treatment in the city, Sushma's husband, Raj, took their thirteen-year-old girl to seek medical care in their hometown, 1600km away.

While his daughter was receiving rudimentary care in that distant village, the government shut down the entire country. Raj became concerned for Sushma and their other two children, knowing that the pandemic and the lockdown posed a significant threat. He left his sick daughter in the care of her grandparents, and set out on foot to travel the 1600km back to his family. He was never heard from again.

All alone and with no means of providing for her family, Sushma had nowhere to turn. She and her two remaining children had resorted to eating scraps of food that others had *left in the dirt*.

**Everything changed** when our partners arrived in the community to provide food for the hungry. They helped Sushma find employment and they enrolled her in our sewing center where she is gaining *new skills* that will help her to thrive.

The search for Raj continues, and we are working hard to reunite their eldest daughter with the rest of the family. In the meantime, Sushma continues to receive food, training, and emotional support.

# Gifts of Health.



\$25 provides up to 100 meals



\$50 provides up to 200 meals



\$100 provides up to 400 meals

**\$1** = 4 Meals

So often, a meal is just the beginning of God's rescue plan. When you provide a meal, you truly are giving hope to the hopeless.

# Journeys of Compassion.

For over 15 years, Impact Nations has been inviting men, women, and children to join in the adventure of the Gospel. During a twelve day Journey of Compassion, you are on the front lines of ministry, being used by Jesus to bring His salvation, healing, and hope to those who desperately need to hear the Good News.

With up to eight Journeys a year, we are living out the reality that the Kingdom of God is big enough and powerful enough to touch every part of life. Everywhere we go, Christ is preached, the sick are healed, and the Good News is demonstrated to the poor in prisons, mobile medical clinics, feeding programs, and more.

We do not know when we will be able to join our partners on the ground next but we are looking forward to new Journeys to Malawi and Israel in the near future.

# Gifts of Health.



\$40

### **Mosquito Nets**

Malaria takes over 400,000 lives each year. Your gift will provide protection for **five families**.



\$75

#### **Water Filter**

Each filter provides continuous clean water **for at least three families**. Filters are distributed door to door along with sanitation training.



\$140

#### **Medicinal Plants**

Provides **20 families** with a sustainable source of medicinal plants for a year including moringa, lemon grass, artemisia, and amaranth.



\$400

#### Medicine

During a Journey of Compassion, our mobile medical clinics treat as many as **400 people per day**. Your gift will provide medicine for those who may have no other access to medical professionals.



# Stocking Stuffers.



\$5

#### 20 Meals

Provide 20 meals for people in desperate need of nourishment. (See Page 13)



\$5

#### **Anti-Parasite Medicine**

Treat 40 children with deworming pills, reducing malnutrition by up to 62%. (See page 15)



\$5

### **Reusable Sanitary Pad kit**

The gift that keeps on giving as we save money and the environment.



\$8

### **One Mosquito Net**

Protect a family from the risk of malaria. (See page 15)



\$10

#### **Buckets**

Every water filter comes with two buckets, one for dirty water and one for clean water. (See page 15)



\$10

### **School Supplies**

Provide a child with the supplies they need to learn. (See page 11)



\$12

### **Hair Dressing Kit**

Give a graduation gift to a young woman who is ready to start her own mobile salon. (See page 7)

### Books & Resources.



#### The Beatitudes For a Time of Crisis

Steve's latest book was written specifically for this time of unprecedented crisis. These eight blessings of Christ will both comfort and empower us to be much needed light-bearers for a world in great need.

#### Other Titles:

The First Church Restored: Ancient Principles for Discipleship Today

When Everything Changes: Healing, Justice, and the Kingdom of God

The Journey: 35 Stories of Kingdom Encounters

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This Christmas, give a gift that will last a lifetime!

Giving a gift in the name of a loved one?

Send them a beautiful card that includes a photo and a description of your gift.

#### **How It Works:**

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- Choose to send an instant e-card, or a 5.5"x4.25" printed card that we will mail for you, free!

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