January 10, 2025 Update



Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future."

Many plans and programs have been implemented for the region of Bunia through your support and God's faithfulness. Your continued prayerful support connects us with God's desires for his people: "plans to give you a hope and a future."



The literacy and practical skills programs at the Peace Center graduated 158 students December 20, 2024.



Seventy joined them from the Chabusiku program.

Chabusiku also received two sewing machines and materials with HFTC donations. New classes began in the New Year for more waiting, eager participants.



The Christmas festivities at the Peace Center lasted six hours and included worship, communion, The Jesus Film and an Agape meal feeding 400-500, not counting children.



The tents at the Peace Center on December 29 not only offered sun protection from the equatorial heat but also a festive atmosphere for 300 children. These orphans live in the Rwampara displaced camp near the PC and look after each other. They were fed, viewed the Jesus Film and were entertained with music and Bible teaching.



Patrick is gifted with a great love and connection with the young people. The PC is blessed to have him work in evangelism following his graduation from his Biblical studies.

The street children of Bunia, numbering 350-400, will be celebrated the week of January 13th after permission to use the government stadium has been arranged. Transport, food and clothing will be provided as well as viewing the Jesus Film, hearing Bible stories, enjoying music, and receiving counseling.

These orphans desperately need hope and the love of Jesus showered over them.



Meanwhile in Babunia, the structure to hold two tanks of water for the new well is nearing completion.



The children happily carry the large, heavy containers filled with water on their backs,



Or balanced on their heads.



The Anglican Communion Synod for the DRC and the Republic of the Congo (Congo Brazzaville) will be held January 15-17 in Bukavu, far to the south bordering Burundi. Five representatives from each diocese will attend, including Bisoke and Dr. Kahwa, a close colleague of Bisoke and theology professor at the University of Bunia with a specialty in peace building and non violence. The

synod will create the new diocese of Bukavu, which has been trained and educated for this responsibility by a missionary Bishop from Tanzania.

After the convention Bisoke, as the Provincial Youth Coordinator of the Anglican Church for the DRC, will travel to Uvira to meet with youth leaders for the new diocese Bukavu.

Bisoke's staff and advisory group of thirteen have had several meetings to plan for 2025. As always they cover their ideas with prayer and ask God to bless and provide for the things

He wishes to accomplish. The HFTC, Inc. Board looks forward to continuing our ministry of support in the New Year.

Ephesians 3:20-21 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work in us, to him be the glory in the church and in Jesus Christ throughout all generations for ever and ever! Amen.

As 2024 came to a close, HFTC, Inc. witnessed an abundant outpouring of God's provision through prayer and monetary support. Your generosity enabled support that blessed our Congolese brothers and sisters. May their faith be strengthened and hope renewed as they hear His Good News through the ministry of Furaha and Bisoke. God has accomplished immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

To Him be the glory!

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Our website has more information on our organization and background stories.

We thank you for your prayerful and monetary support.

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Peace Center(PC); Bunia Children Hope Center(BCHC) - Baraka Academy; Hearts for the Congo Agape Meal (Agape Meal) - \$25/mo, or the General Fund.

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Psalm 34:18 The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

~ God is in control. God is working when we cannot see. God will find a way. ~ Bisoke