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It's Ceiling Time!

Good evening friends! Happy spring!

What a great month it has been. The ceiling project is moving right along. As you can see from these photos, the wood has been laid, the iron work is on top, and they are pretty much ready to start pouring cement. The plan is to pour the cement by the weekend. Once they start, they have to keep going until it's complete. All the supplies are there, we just have to ensure we have enough workers to get it done! This is manual labor, no fancy machines pouring cement out of a truck. It's hand mixing, and carried up to the roof bucket by bucket. We are short a little on funds to pay all the workers, so if God is laying it on your heart to contribute one final piece to getting this roof poured, now is your chance. About \$1500 covers the cost of all the laborers.



Last fall many of you donated school and kitchen supplies for our Vocational School. We are happy to share they arrived! There were many pots and pans, dishes, silverware, knives, cutting boards, pens and pencils, whiteboard markers, and so much more. Some of them will be put into use in the next few weeks while others will be kept for next semester when they can be put to good use again. Thank you so much for all the contributions! We plan to start another collection of goods in May to send over for the new school year. This time we are focusing on school supplies again for both schools (see below), but also hoping to get some laptop computers to fill our computer lab. A more detailed list and drop points will be coming soon.



Our annual Friends of African Hope Ministry banquet will be coming Saturday, May 31, at Southtown Baptist Church in Bloomington, MN. More details to come, but please plan to join us!

As we prepare to open Hopeful Academy Middle School in September, we plan to admit 20 7th grade students for a free education to those who are the most in need. To educate a child, it will cost \$30 a month. This includes feeding them one meal each day. Would you like to “adopt” a child for the 2025-2026 school year? These students will be

updating you regularly with their progress and what they are learning. Please respond to this email to let us know you are interested in more information about “adopting a child” in our school! (The vocational school will continue this fall with another set of students too!)

Blessings to each of you!

Prayer Requests:

- Safety for our workers at the site as they pour the cement for the ceiling.
- That the funds will be complete to pay the laborers for the ceiling cement work at the right time.
- That God would prepare the hearts of the students who will join the school in September, both the vocational and middle schools.
- That God would guide our team as we develop this middle school curriculum and recruit teachers willing and able to work under unique conditions with an academically diverse set of students.

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