



HOPE 4 WOMEN INTERNATIONAL



Hope 4 Women International is a 501 (c) 3 Organization

Whoever is kind to the **poor** lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done. Proverbs 19:17

January 2024!

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Sharon Gallego
Chairwoman of
the Board!

Woman of the Year! Again! Hope 4 Women International Dress a Girl Around the World!

Sharon Gallego, chairwoman of our board of directors has been involved with Hope 4 Women/ Dress a Girl since we began Dress a Girl in October of 2009. We started making dresses in the foyer of our Church of Joy in Glendale, Arizona. She was named our woman of the year in 2014 and here she is again!

She's always been an advocate of H4WI/DAG and has been an inspiration to me personally since I met her and took aerobics classes from her in 1985.

I've had the honor of serving with her in Romania and Guatemala where she introduced fun crafts for women and children and taught women to make finger knitted scarves. She carried a bag of goodies wherever we went and gave out bubbles, toy cars and trinkets to children. She'd place cross necklaces around the necks of women and men as we walked in Roma villages or along the abandoned railroad tracks in Guatemala. She truly saw people and let them know that God loved them. She loved putting our Dress a Girl dresses on girls we'd meet. She'd tell them how beautiful they looked and that God loves them.

When I lived in the Phoenix area she was such a role model to me in the way she loved the homeless, the forgotten, abandoned, and abused people and pets. She volunteered at a food pantry and encouraged us to work alongside her. She was a ball of fire in our church and promoted Dress a Girl; set up speaking engagements for me and encouraged others to join us as we sewed dresses. She hosted craft nights and passed the basket for H4WI/DAG. She was always thinking of ways to raise funds and wasn't afraid to ask.

When Robert and I had horses, we'd host events for homeless and other people at risk. Sharon was always there with her crafts, trinkets and encouragement.

She was and still is amazing! Even though God called me to Iowa six years ago, we remain close. She always has the right words to make us feel better. You can tell her what is on your heart and mind and know she won't judge you. She's been our rock as Dress a Girl Phoenix has had to say goodbye to Lillian, Judy, Evelyn, Mae and other dear friends who have left us for their heavenly homes.

She is and always will be Woman of the Year to me!

Thank you Sharon for showing us how to lavishly love like Jesus!

WOMEN SPONSORSHIP!!

Stella was forced to drop out of school because her parents lacked school fees. She married a peasant and had nine children.

Her current income is through selling cereal but she doesn't make enough to sustain her family.

She believes through H4WI's sponsorship God will change her destiny and she can expand her business and provide the basic necessities for her family.



Stella Achieng

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after widows and orphans in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. James 1:27

For \$36 a month for one year you can sponsor Stella or another woman in need.

Please contact Lisa@h4wi.org to sign up! today!

Sponsor a Woman!



Sponsored Woman's Name (if known) _____
Ministry Name (if known) _____

Rescue a woman from the grips of poverty and change her destiny!

Your tax-deductible one year commitment of \$36 a month will enroll a woman in our woman in business program in Uganda or the Philippines. At the end of one year she will graduate with a business of her own!

Contact Information:

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Payment Information:

Please select your payment option below:

★ Annual payment of \$432 by credit card, debit card or check

★ Automatic debit or credit card monthly payment of \$36

Debit or Credit Card Number: _____ CVV# _____
Expiration Date: _____ Amount \$ _____
Name of card holder: _____
Signature of card holder: _____

Thank you for bringing the promise of God's hope to the life of a woman!

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HAPPENINGS AT DRESS A GIRL

Marie Larson, a member of Dress a Girl Wisconsin left us on December 8, 2023. Her obituary states: “Marie has gone on her final field trip, and she didn’t even have to take her bus this time.” Marie did many things in her 85 years of life and driving a bus was one of them. Although we didn’t have the privilege of knowing Marie, she sounds like a creative, fun person and we are honored that gifts to Dress a Girl are given in her memory. I love what her child writes. “Enjoy this final field trip, Mom! We’ve heard that the unending tour is amazing and the exhibits exquisite. Now your chewing gum will never lose its flavor, and in the words of Charlie Pride, Joel will once again be able to “kiss his angel good morning.” May God comfort Marie’s sister and family during this time.



April 4, 1938-December 8, 2023



Teen Fashion Designer—Ruby Rinehart

This was my 6th year/season working with the Beauty It’s Everywhere show, and by far my favorite. This line of dresses I designed was particularly special, as all of the means of fabric were passed down to me by my late teacher, Robin Bumgardner, may she rest in peace.

She unfortunately passed due to ovarian cancer, and this line was sort of a remembrance dedicated to her life. She was a wonderful woman who always supported my passions for pageantry and fashion. She was taken from us too soon.

Although I always love the group of models I receive, this year’s group was truly my favorite. They were all so sweet and respectful, something that is sometimes hard to come by in this field. Joining the fashion industry at such a young age can be scary, but I’m happy I could be a part of their experience and growth as young models. I was also honored to have the youngest model, Sophia, modeling for me. She was the cutest little girl, and you could tell she was having so much fun. I wish for the best for her and the rest of my models and their careers.

Anytime I do a show, I’m always happy to remember the organization I am working for, which is Dress A Girl Around The World. I’ve been an ambassador for many years, and I’m so blessed that my passions can contribute to such a great cause. I continue to plan on working for them, to continue to promote sustainability in fashion, and to continue to make a difference in young girl’s lives. Thank you so much for listening to my experience, I am always happy to give the insights on my own fashion journey! With Love, Ruby Rinehart

We’re so proud of you Ruby! Keep up the great work!

MORE!!

Our end of the year goal was to sponsor 120 women. In November we needed you to sponsor 22 more women to make that goal! Thanks to your generosity, 121 women are fully sponsored!

There are more women waiting to be sponsored in 2024 so if you feel led to change the destiny of a woman and her children/grandchildren please email lisa@h4wi.org

Don't Forget! Our Convention is October 3rd—6th! Details coming soon!

We're still looking for t-shirt designs for the convention—Flourish with a Purpose! Email Jordan@h4wi.org

We're Going to Romania!

Our brother organization Hope 4 Kids International has asked me to lead their international trip to Romania May 14-23rd! Go to hope4kidsinternational.org to sign up. It's going to be a trip of a lifetime! I've been there several times and am in love with the people! We work in Roma villages. We can ride in horse drawn wooden carts which is the Roma mode of transportation in some villages. We stay in a nice hotel and can walk to open air restaurants on a beautiful walking street for dinner after working with the people. There are a couple of sewing centers which we will visit and may have the opportunity to sew alongside our Romanian sisters. Of course we will have the opportunity to dress girls, work on projects, work with kids and much more!

The cost: Adults \$1795 + Airfare **Students** \$1695 + Airfare

There will be a scheduled excursion to Budapest for \$125. Email amy@h4ki.org for more information and to sign up.



CRANBERRY ORANGE BREAD

- **Ingredients for Bread**

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon orange zest
- ½ cup buttermilk
- ½ cup canola oil, or other neutral tasting oil
- ½ cup orange juice
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1 ½ cups fresh cranberries



- **Ingredients for Glaze**

- 1 Cup Powdered Sugar
- 2 to 3 Tablespoons of Orange Juice

Instructions to Make Bread

- Preheat the oven to 350°F, and grease a 9 x 5 - inch loaf pan.
- In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt until well combined. Set aside.
- In a separate small bowl, use a spoon to mix the sugar and orange zest until the sugar becomes light orange in color. Set aside.
- Take a third bowl and whisk together buttermilk, canola oil, orange juice, eggs, and vanilla. Don't over-mix
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- Next, add the cranberries and use a wooden spoon or spatula to stir until well incorporated.
- Transfer the batter to the greased loaf pan. Place in the oven and baked for 65-75 minutes. If the bread begins to brown too quickly, place a piece of aluminum foil loosely over the top to prevent burning.
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- The bread is done when a toothpick inserted in the center comes out with a very light crumb. Remove the bread from the oven and allow to cool for 10-15 minutes before transferring from the pan to a cooling rack.

To Make the Glaze

- While the bread cools, make the glaze. In a medium bowl, combine the powdered sugar and orange juice. Whisk or use a hand mixer on low until the glaze is smooth and creamy. Adjust the amount of orange juice to reach desired consistency.
- After the bread cools completely, drizzle the glaze over the top, slice, and serve.

*Recipe makes 1 (9x5-inch) loaf.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



We're looking forward to another year of partnership with you! Together, with God's guidance we can change lives, dress girls, sponsor women, encourage and pray for one another and be the hands and feet of Jesus!

Heather C King prayed it best when she prayed:

"Lord,

Whether we're leaving behind a year of joy and blessing or trials and difficulties, we pause to give thanks. We thank you that you are always with us, every single day of every single year. Please remind us of your presence in the year ahead, even when life is busy. We are so thankful that we serve a God who makes things new and gives us the grace of fresh starts and new beginnings. Be glorified in our lives this year. In Jesus' name, Amen." Heather C. King

Thank you for all you did in 2023! May God bless you richly in the coming year!

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And

Hope 4 Women International

Thank you for your continued support!

If you'd like to make a year-end tax-deductible financial gift, allowing us to continue reaching our world, we'd appreciate it so very much!

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