



HOPE 4 WOMEN INTERNATIONAL

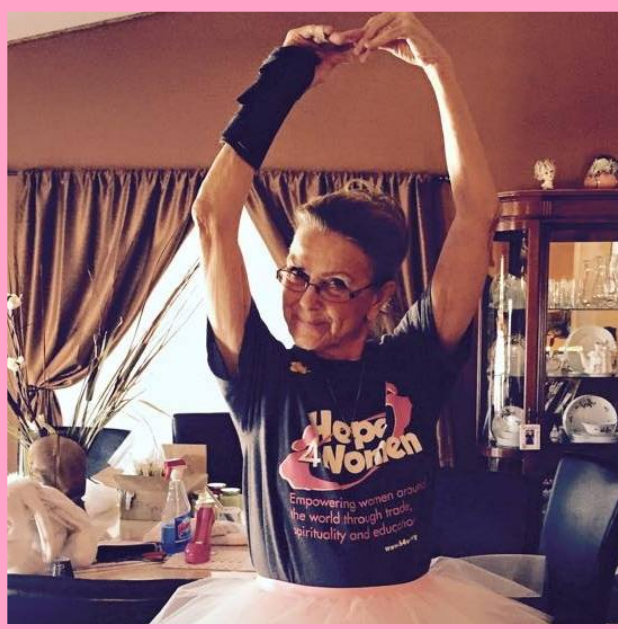


Hope 4 Women International is a 501 (c) 3 Organization

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

April 2024!

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Hope 4 Women International Dress a Girl Around the World! Saying Goodbye to our Beautiful Sharon

May 19, 1941 — March 21, 2024

Our beautiful Sharon went home to be with Jesus on Wednesday, March 21st. We knew she was going but it seems you're never really ready for that moment.

I had the privilege of spending valuable moments with her when I flew to Phoenix in January after she told me she was in hospice. We talked, reminisced and laughed until she was too tired to continue. Then I'd tell her goodbye and come back the next day and we'd do it all over again.

We talked about Heaven and those who had gone before us. We talked of the future of Hope 4 Woman/Dress a Girl. We talked about our kids and grands. We'd been on mission trips together to Romania and Guatemala. I told her, "I really was hoping you'd go to Romania with us in May. But I guess you're going to go to Heaven instead."

She was someone you could tell what was on your mind and she could be just as honest back without judgement. She was a great role model in her love for God and love for others. Just as Jesus said in Matthew 22:37-39 "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important. "Love your neighbor as yourself."

We're going to miss her so much. We are committed to her legacy living on in our outreaches and our love for the forgotten.



WOMEN SPONSORSHIP!!

Hellen was forced to drop out of school as a young girl because there was no money for school fees. She is divorced with two children. She suffers from a goiter and gets medicine for the pain from the health center. Her prayer is that when she is sponsored she will expand her business. She believes that through the program she will be able to buy basic necessities for her family and save toward family emergencies.



Hellen Mario

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 Hellen 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. 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!

Hope 4 Women International: PO Box 14, Forest City, IA 50436
website: www.h4wi.org !!!! Contact: Lisa@h4wi.org

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

October 3rd-5th, 2024

Forest City, Iowa

Three nights and two full days of inspirational fun!

Registration Fee Includes:

Snacks, bottled water, lunch on Friday & Saturday, Thursday & Friday dinner. Coffee and bagels/rolls on Friday and Saturday mornings. Convention materials, Swag bag crammed with super fun stuff!

_____ Early Bird Registration (must be received by 8/01/24): **\$155**

_____ August 2—September 30: **\$165**

_____ **Saturday banquet: \$50** not included in registration—
Entertainment, fabulous raffle and silent auction items. Guests not attending the convention can attend the banquet.

_____ **I am unable to attend but would like to donate:**

Enclosed is my donation for: _____ **\$25** _____ **\$50** _____ **\$100** _____ **Other**

Total Amount Included _____

Method of Payment:

_____ **check (make payable to H4WI)**
_____ **Visa** _____ **M/C** _____ **American Express** _____ **Discover**

Card Number _____ **Exp.date** _____ **code** _____

Name on card _____ **Signature** _____

We also take Venmo @H4WIDAG

***Limited number of vendor tables available, email Lisa@h4wi.org for details**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Hotels in the area:

Cobblestone Inn & Suites in Forest City, IA
Forest City Inn Hotel in Forest City, IA;
Garner Inn & Suites in Garner, IA
Camping options as well.

Airports: Des Moines, IA or Minneapolis International Airport. Both are about 2 hours from Forest City. (As we get closer to the event we will figure out ride sharing.)

LOOKING FORWARD TO ROMANIA IN MAY!

I'll be traveling to Romania with Hope 4 Kids International in May. We asked one of our partners to tell us how they are working with woman. Ioana writes:

“In Roma culture, woman have no value. They only have to stay at home and raise children. Most of them have no education. God touched my heart and I wanted to do something more for these women. I was thinking that would be nice to have a place where they can come, have fellowship and also learn some useful skills for their families. Our after-school program has been running in the locality for some time, but we wished the families and the community to develop to another level.

We thought that the women and especially the mothers, are the ones who have a very big impact in the lives of their children, through the education they give. But, in order to be able to provide a good education and manage to guide their children so that they overcome their social condition, they need to develop themselves, most of them being illiterate and leading a life limited to household chores, watching Tv, communicating only with those of the same ethnicity, without having the opportunity to even leave the village where they live.

In this sense and with the idea that it would be helpful for every woman to know how to sew, we started a tailoring workshop where the ladies can learn how to make various articles of clothing as well as other things they need in the household. Besides tailoring classes, we often cook together, we try new recipes that they might not have the courage to try alone, we have various meetings where we learn about raising children, various things they bump into, and much more.

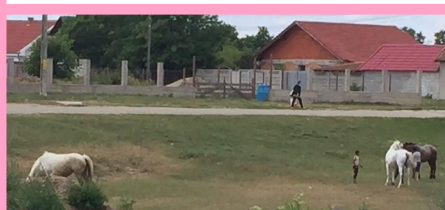
Around 12 women participate in our courses, they are divided into 2 groups. They have accumulated some experience because they participated in our courses for a few years already.

We also started to invest in the younger generation so we have now a group of teenage girl participates in classes once a week.

When they need to go to the doctor, we guide them and accompany them if necessary. Being illiterate, they often need help in completing various formulars, papers and documents. They know that we are here, present in their lives and whenever they need, they can turn to us with confidence.

Last but not least, we try to talk to them about God and faith, about moral principles and we try to be an example through everything we do and the way we behave, showing them the love of Christ, so that they will be able to do the same with their families.”

Thank you Ioana for all you are doing in these Roma villages! We look forward to visiting them soon!



SUCCESS STORIES OF WOMEN ENROLLED IN OUR WOMEN IN BUSINESS PROGRAM



Sylvia's Story



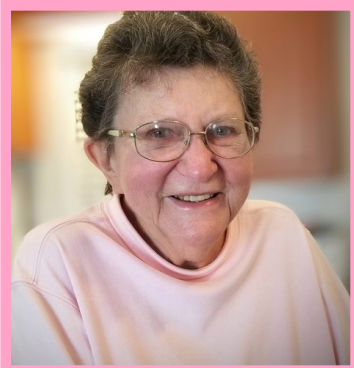
Sylvia was sponsored in 2018 by Betty Valenzuela. Since then she says she has gone from a housewife to a business woman through H4WI's business empowerment program. Through her profits in the recent years she has been able to purchase two second hand motorcycles. One she rents out by the day and the other is used to transport herself and her items to the community market where she sells second hand t-shirts, baby clothes, dresses and more!

Sylvia states: "Am real grateful to H4WI for removing me from poverty. I bought goats in my sponsorship funds and I exchanged into a cow. When the cow produced I sold and bought the first motorcycle which I rent out. The income from the motorcycle led to the birth of business of clothes and second motorcycle in the photo. Am now self reliant, my children do not lack school requirements. I bless the name of God for H4WI. Long live H4WI!!"



The tailoring department in Uganda has been a very big blessing to the communities. At Sibanga, the machines donated to them last year 2023 by H4WI are being used for making children's uniforms at school. This has greatly lessened a burden of parents from spending more money on Uniforms. Parents only buy materials sewing is done at school. According to them, it is indeed a big blessing to have the machines at the project. Thank you for supporting women in Uganda!

FINAL THOUGHTS!



JoAnne Helen Dobson, 91, peacefully met our Lord and Savior on February 16, 2024, in Coeur D'Alene under the compassionate care of Hospice of North Idaho. She was born February 26, 1932, in Spokane, WA, to Jay and Nina F. Cheatham. JoAnne graduated from WSU in Pullman, WA, where she obtained a BA in Business. An accomplished musician, JoAnne excelled in playing the cello, piano, and organ. She showcased her musical talents with the Spokane Symphony, Project Joy Orchestra, and various other musical groups.

JoAnne served the Lord as an ordained Deacon and played music for Community of Christ congregations for over 60 years. Additionally she found joy working at Sunset Florist for many years. For the past 13 years, JoAnne found immense fulfillment sewing for Dress-A-Girl Around the World. This project filled her days with joy, and a deep sense of purpose in helping others. Her family estimates that she made and donated close to ten thousand dresses, a project that started while living in Hawaii and throughout the remainder of her life in Post Falls.

Thank you JoAnne for your years of service!

Why Do I Need a Will?

Everyone should have an estate plan to support their future and protect what God has blessed them with, a will is the only way to:

- Save your family pain and complications by giving exact instructions on how to handle your estate. Start a legacy at Hope 4 Women International to bless women and girls around the world for generations to come! Talk to your attorney about details for including H4WI in your estate.
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Please like us on Facebook!

Official Page for Dress a Girl Around the World

And

Hope 4 Women International

We're on Instagram too!

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!

Please mail a check to:

Hope 4 Women International

PO Box 14

Forest City, IA 50436

Or: <https://www.dressagirlaroundtheworld.com/general-4>

Or Donate through Venmo @H4WIDAG