

Myanmar Update: Four years of Civil War



The violence in Myanmar is still present. However, through God’s grace, our five partners in this country have remained safe. During a recent video call with our Agape Home, the director stated that shots can be heard throughout the night as they do not venture outside past 7pm. The internet is restricted to certain parts of the day and electrical outages are common.



Our partner “T” says, “Since 2021, Myanmar has faced immense challenges in every aspect of life. People have struggled to find happiness or hope in their daily circumstances. However, as Christians who trust in God, we have embraced this time as an opportunity to further spread the gospel. Wherever we are, that is our mission field.”

Our partner Junia operates the New Hope home and states that they held a salvation crusade program. During this, children learned to stand firm in their faith amidst the country’s crisis while allowing others to reconsider their lives and how much they need the Savior.

Thankfully, the children have been able to attend Christian school and just finished their final exams. Most plan to attend summer English classes. They are also enjoying time with their new equipment purchased with the Ready, Set, Go! funds that were given last year with your help.

Special prayer requests for Myanmar: God’s continual safety.
Grace Home: Grace and Kim continue to experience health issues.
GEM Home: The Elim farm continues to produce fruit and is a refuge for the children.
They still have a need for an electrical transformer, as well as a refrigerator and oven.
Support: Return the enclosed response card to give for the needs in Myanmar, or scan the QR code
Share: Connect BCH to your church missions, we would love to keep you updated.



Together We Build Hope

Dear Friends,

As we come to the close of this edition of our newsletter, we want to take a moment to thank you for your faithful prayers and continued generosity. Every prayer, every gift, and every personal involvement is a powerful testament to God’s love in action. *Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.” James 1:17*



Together, we are building hope. Hope for the child who longs to feel safe. Hope for the family struggling to stay together. Hope for the caregiver who needs encouragement. This work is not ours alone, it is the Lord’s. And He calls each of us to be His hands and feet in restoring lives and sharing His love with the most vulnerable.

We pray that this newsletter has inspired and encouraged you. But the goal of this publication does not stop here. We hope you share this message—send it to a friend, invite your church to get involved, and spread the word. There is so much more we can do together!

With gratitude and hope,
The BCH Team



LOOKING AHEAD! BRINGING CHILDREN HOPE WITH YOU: A FUTURE OF PRAYERS, SERVICE, AND BIG PLANS FOR 2025

Two steadfast memory verses come to mind when I think about looking ahead and pressing forward with the mission of BCH:

Proverbs 4:25 reminds me, "Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you."

And Philippians 3:13-14 which encourages, "Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

Looking Forward to What Lies Ahead

As we step into **2025**, we are filled with **expectation, faith, and unwavering commitment** to the mission God has placed before us—**bringing hope to children and families in need**. Through your prayers, generosity, and service, we see lives transformed, families strengthened, and futures rewritten.

At BCH, we believe that **hope is more than a goal, it’s an action**. Every gift, every moment of service, and every prayer lifted is a brick placed in the foundation of a brighter future for the children and families we serve. Whether it is supporting caregivers, equipping families with compassionate training and care, or building a school in Africa, every BCH initiative is fueled by God’s love and the faithfulness of His people.

This year’s **Bringing Children Hope 2025 Looking Ahead** is an opportunity for each of us to take part in **something greater than ourselves**. **We won’t forget what lies behind us though**, for through powerful stories of families served, firsthand testimonies, and incredible giving opportunities, God is at work at BCH—and you will see how you have been and can be a part of it.

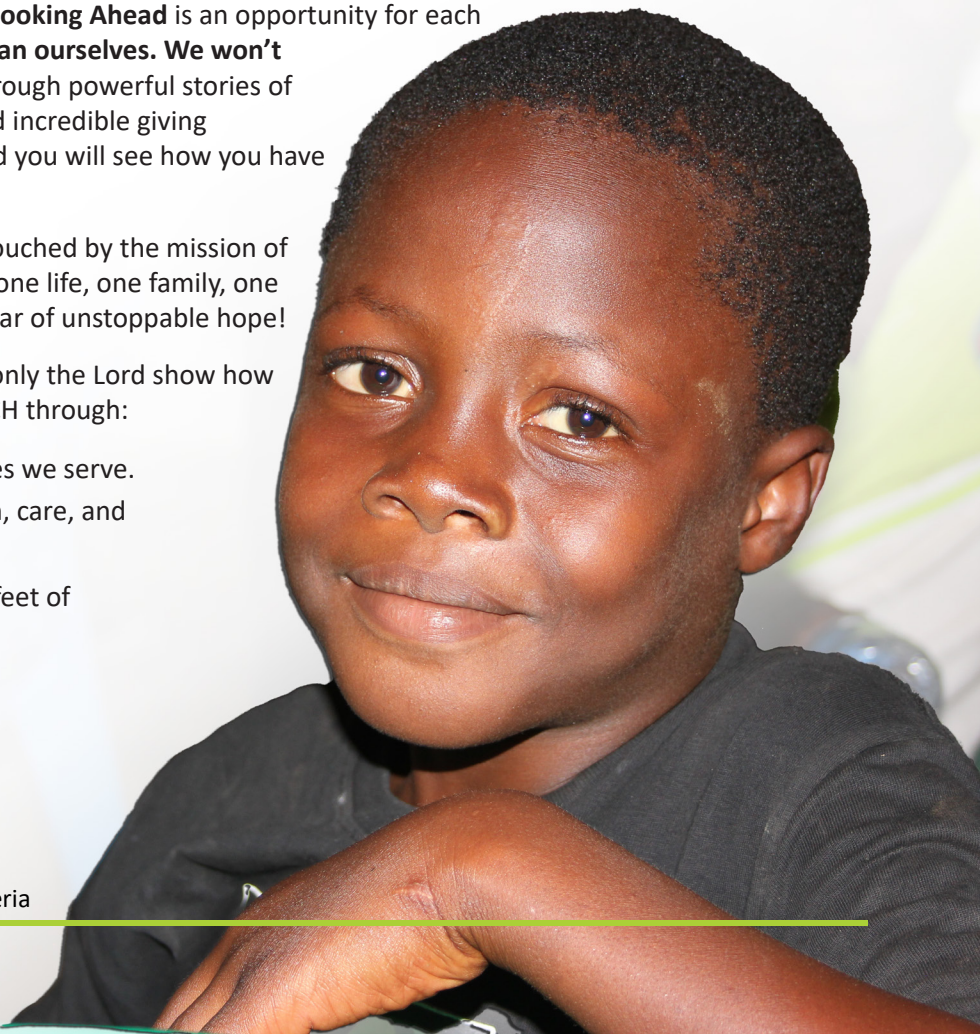
You’ve been with every child and family touched by the mission of BCH. Together, we are building a future—one life, one family, one act of love at a time. Let’s make 2025 a year of unstoppable hope!

As you thumb through these pages, may only the Lord show how you can come alongside the mission of BCH through:

- **Praying** for the children and families we serve.
- **Giving** generously brings education, care, and stability to those in need.
- **Volunteering** to be the hands and feet of Christ in a world longing for hope.

In Christ,
Craig Freyenberger
BCH CEO / Interim

Nethaniel, Gbonata Village, Liberia



Building a School in Liberia: Education for a Brighter Future

At BCH, we believe that **education is one of the most powerful tools to break the cycle of poverty**. That is why we are committed to building a **new school in Liberia**, providing children with the opportunity to learn, grow, and dream of a brighter future.

In the Village of Gbonota, many children face **significant barriers to education** that stem from extreme poverty- hunger, illness, sickness, and the lack of an accessible school. The local church plant has stepped up to form a private school held in just their one-room church building and in a smaller building made of mud. The children, parents, and teachers are dedicated to their education and recently, enrollment has greatly increased!



The residents of Gbonota know exactly what this school means for their children—hope, opportunity, and a brighter future! Parents are overjoyed knowing their kids will have access to education and technology that was once out of reach. They have even started “rolling up their sleeves” and began transporting sand to the construction site by buckets and wheel burrows!

This new building will not only provide **classrooms for children**, but it will also serve as a **center of hope**, offering vocational training for teens and adults in the evenings, equipping the entire community with valuable skills and opportunities!

Prayer Opportunity: Please pray for the children, families, church, and teachers of Gbonota. Pray for the logistics of getting building materials through the jungle safely and cost effectively. Please pray for the provision of funds needed to build the school.

We Need Your Help to Finish the Work! Your gift today will help cover **construction costs, desks, books, and supplies** needed to complete the school. Every donation, big or small, is an investment in a child’s future. The estimated cost for the building and furniture is \$110,000.

To be part of this life-changing project, visit our website, scan the QR code, or call **219-462-4111** to donate.



Announcing our 2025 VBS Project! Hope Builders: Bricks of Love

This giving project is a powerful way for children and youth to make a lasting impact in the lives of kids across the world! This summer, we invite churches, VBS programs, Sunday school classes, summer sports clinics, and kid’s camps to rally together and choose our Liberia School Building Project as their mission offering focus.

For more information, scan the QR code or visit bch-inc.org

Watch your church mailbox for our VBS package!



HOPE HUB

A New Future of Wrap-Around Care is Bringing Hope to 2025

At BCH, we believe that God’s plan for children is family. That is why our focus is on strengthening the family. We provide the family with many of the tools necessary to help them stay together and thrive whenever it is safe to do so. With this focus, we are launching an exciting new initiative called. The Hope Hub. The Hope Hub is a place where families in Northwest Indiana can find the resources, support and encouragement they need to thrive.

The Hope Hub will serve as a central location for wrap-around care, providing practical assistance, guidance and community connection for families facing challenges. Whether through mentorship, training, material support, parenting resources or crisis intervention, this space will be a beacon of hope for those in need. It is a place where families can come together to connect with others.

Currently, we are in the renovation phase, transforming the space into a welcoming, fully equipped center, ready to serve families with compassion. But we are not able to do it alone. We need your support!

Ways to Help:

Prayer: Pray for the future families that will be coming through the doors and for the funding necessary to complete the remodeling of The Hub.

Volunteer: Volunteers are needed to help set up the space, organize the resources and prepare for opening day. Whether you can assist with painting, cleaning or helping with logistics, every effort brings us one step closer to opening our doors.

Giving: Whether near or far, you can be a part of The Hope Hub. Your financial gift will help stock The Hope Hub with critical resources like baby supplies, food, clothing and educational materials, ensuring that families have what they need in times of crisis.

Together, we can make The Hope Hub a thriving resource for families! To volunteer or donate, call us at 219-462-4111 or visit <https://bringingchildrenhope.org/project/help-bring-hope-in-the-hub>. Let’s build hope for families in Porter County—one act of love at a time!

Our Care Families play a vital role in our wrap-around care! For more about becoming a Care Family, please visit our website.



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We are thankful for our volunteer groups!



One of our loving care families, the Martins.