Touch the World 2017

*Show Mercy – Proclaim Truth*

**Jigiya So – West Africa $15,000**

A single, female Missionary Associate from NC, has just launched *Jigiya So* (Place of Hope) in West Africa. She works with young marginalized boys who are enslaved in a system that has them begging on the streets of the capital city. *Jigiya So* provides hot meals, basic teaching on personal hygiene, and first aid. Yet, the overarching purpose is to make disciples by introducing the boys to God through Bible stories and thought provoking discussions on the nature of God. The vast majority of them have had no education. Therefore, *Jigiya So* aspires to connect each boy with a tradesman through an apprenticeship in order to give the children a means to support themselves when they cease begging. Our giving will help *Jigiya So* to get fully equipped and provide much-needed supplies. These essentials include: an examining table and medical supplies for the first aid room; basic personal hygiene items for the boys; food for the feeding program; carpentry tools; and a sewing machine for a trade apprenticeship.

**Household Equipment Five-year Supplement $10,500**

 A Missionary Family (Sensitive Area) $3,500

 Ashley & Meredith Penley (Ecuador) $3,500

 Phyllis Rose (Peru) $3,500

**Linens & Things $1,500**

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**SIS – Scholarship for International Students $1,050**

For the past 2 years, we have sponsored Rukie Llaka, a non-traditional student at Evangelical Theological College in Tirana, Albania. This June she graduated from the 2-year program in Christian Ministry. She is continuing this year in the 3rd year program for missions and will be a resident student. Her family background is nominally Muslim. Yet, at age 40, she accepted Jesus as the Lord and Savior of her life. As her life changed completely, her 4 children and her mother came to faith in Christ. Rukie is divorced and in her mid-fifties, and her ex-husband has spent many years in prison due to his criminal past. She prays that God will use all of her life experiences to help her humbly serve Him. She plans to minister to women who have suffered domestic violence and/or divorce. She also hopes to open a food center to prepare and serve poor children with a least one daily meal. We want to continue to bless Rukie and further her education as God redeems all her life experiences for His glory.

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**HeartMenders $12,000**

HeartMenders touches the lives of North Carolina’s Assembly of God ministers’ widows through financial support. In addition to providing immediate assistance upon the death of their husbands, financial gifts are also provided on birthdays, Mother’s Day, and Christmas. We currently bless 53 widows.

**Mpact Girls Clubs $ 4,000**

These are finances set aside as expenditures associated with ministry to girls involved in the North Carolina MPact Girls Clubs. It helps offset the cost of leadership development for MPact Sponsors and travel expenses for the District Girls Ministries Coordinator.

**NC Women’s Ministries $16,000**

This account makes provision for the expenses of ministering to the women of North Carolina through leadership development, discipleship and media (such as mailings, e-newsletter, videos, and other promotional materials). It also provides travel expenses for the Women’s Ministries Leadership Team as they develop relationships with local leaders.

# Total $60,050