



Julie's Heart Cry

Bringing Hope to Women Globally

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Newsletter



Eva Lubega relies on God to help her balance her roles as mother, business owner and pastor's wife.

An update: In her own words

Dear Friends and Partners,

Last year for our Thanksgiving celebration, we introduced you to JHC's youngest donor, a 16-year-old girl who use a portion of her photography profits to bless a pregnant mother in a rural village in East Africa. The funds helped Eva, a pastor's wife, give birth to baby Samuel in a safe environment with adequate medical care. As Anna's photography business continued to grow, she donated toward Eva's home-based business – a seamstress who also sells beauty products in her shop – strengthening and promoting self-sustainability.

Here is a recent update from Eva:

JHC: How has your life changed since the birth of baby Samuel?

Eva: When my body began to heal, my energy came back, and things returned to normal. I thank the Lord for the health he has given to Samuel. Besides malaria affecting the children from time to time, Samuel and his brothers and sister have been healthy and are doing very well. Cyrus had a minor issue with his eyes, but God took care of that for us, and we thank Him for that.

JHC: What are some of your fears as a mother in Africa?

Eva: As a mother in Africa, the fear of not being able to provide for my children, especially in times of great need, is terrifying. Also, the fact that I am unable to leave my children for an extended period to find work elsewhere.

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JHC: *What are your hopes and dreams for your children?*

Eva: That they will become successful individuals for the kingdom of God, their family and ultimately their community at large. I always ask the Lord to help me raise these children He has blessed us with for His glory.

JHC: *Please describe your responsibilities as a pastor's wife.*

Eva: I believe my responsibilities are to pray for my husband, that God would give him wisdom and that He would be with my husband in every way. To encourage him where he needs encouragement, whether at home or in ministry. To make sure the women's and children's ministries are active and balanced well. To extend hospitality to our church family and especially to visitors. To encourage and teach sewing classes to single women in our church.

JHC: *As the school administrator of a Christian school, what brings you joy?*

Eva: As the administrator of the only Christian school in our community, my desires and goals are to educate this generation, both academically and spiritually. What gives me joy is that, through our school, we have the opportunity to tell children about Jesus.

JHC: *In what ways has your home-based business changed your life?*

Eva: It drastically changed our lives when it came to providing for our everyday needs. Even though the project to build a larger sewing area left me with almost nothing to sell, my determination paid off because now we have not only a place where the ladies and I can sew together but where customers can shop freely, as well. I thank God for continuing to provide, and the fact that I am not renting a place is such a blessing.

JHC: *How has prayer changed you and your family?*



Eva's sewing business helps provide for her family.

Eva: Wow! Prayer has changed my life so much. Because of prayer ...

I have been able to deliver all my children with no complications; God saved my husband and me from a serious accident. I was knocked off a motorcycle directly in front of a moving truck. It ran straight over me because I fell in the middle of the tires; God has done an amazing job in my husband's and my life, enabling us to overcome the evil ways of the devil; God gave us a spiritual son and daughter in Cyrus and Julie; God brought us people to serve in different capacities in the church when it began to grow; I prayed the Scripture in Matthew where Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." And that's what I did, I prayed to the Lord of the harvest, and He sent us the help we needed; Now, I no longer need to work so hard, trying to be everywhere because God brought workers into the field.

JHC: *How can we pray for your husband, Pastor Lawrence Lubega?*

Eva: Pray that he will continue to serve God and do everything according to God's will. Pray that God will provide for the needs of the church.



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