



PAAV Perspectives

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From Dr. Frew Tegene

I am so full of thanks for all the compassion and kindness you have poured into the PAAV project throughout the years. Your contributions have changed the lives of so many people living in abject poverty. Life is getting more and more difficult for most people around the world. But the high cost of living is felt more in poor countries like Ethiopia due to the high cost of living and growing inflations which have spiralled beyond any expectations. Food prices and house rent has trippled and quadrupled. In these dire conditions and times your help means a lot to many people.



During the past year we were able to create jobs to women living in prostitution. This is a life transforming experience where the women come out of prostitution, start their own small businesses and be able to support their children. We also provided food aid and educational support to more than 44 prostitutes and their children living in Sendafa.



During the past year Friends Of PAAV was instrumental in providing medical equipment and supplies by shipping a 40 feet container to Sendafa. This was a very stressful and challenging experience. There were so many difficultues to overcome but at the end the supplies reached Sendafa Hospital and Health Center. The materials that you shipped will be used in providing medical care for thousands of patients. The Mayor of Sendafa and other officials were present when we handed over the supplies and were grateful for the kind donations you provided.



In addition to the above activities we were also able to provide health education, provide medical care, support students, provide food and sanitary materials to HIV patients and also provide vitamin and iron fortified supplementary diets to infants and small children.



In conclusion I would like to thank each and everyone of you for your continuous support throughout the years. Your generosity has helped bring many people out of suffering, despair, illiteracy, prostitution and poverty. Your contributions have helped people realize their dreams. Many people have been impacted by your kind gifts. Your support has not been in vain. And I hope you realize the importance and utmost necessity of all the things you have been doing and are still doing.

I thank you from the depth of my heart.

Dr. Frew