

AIDS in Africa

Delivering Hope



Responding to AIDS Worldwide

A bicycle is dependable transportation for this Ethiopian pastor in his ministry of hope.

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The fight against HIV/AIDS is about much more than distributing anti-retroviral drugs and condoms. For African churches, it's about delivering hope. Hope rooted in Jesus Christ. Hope arrives with a pastor who rides a bicycle to visit a dying patient. And with a home-based care volunteer carrying a backpack full of bandages. And with teachers who lead Bible studies that promote faithfulness and proclaim God's care.

Bicycles, backpacks, and Bible studies . . . unlikely but powerful tools in the church's battle against AIDS. Your gifts enable the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to respond to African church requests for the practical tools and support they need to fight HIV/AIDS. For them—and for us—*It's a Matter of Faith.*

A Generation at Risk

- Life expectancy has dropped below 40 years in nine African countries.
- Approximately 25 million people in sub-Saharan Africa are living with HIV/AIDS.
- Sub-Saharan Africa contains just over 10 percent of the world's population, but is home to 60 percent of all people living with HIV/AIDS.
- Three-quarters of all women with HIV/AIDS worldwide live in the region.
- HIV/AIDS has created more than 12 million orphans in sub-Saharan Africa and that number is expected to grow to 18 million by 2010.



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