

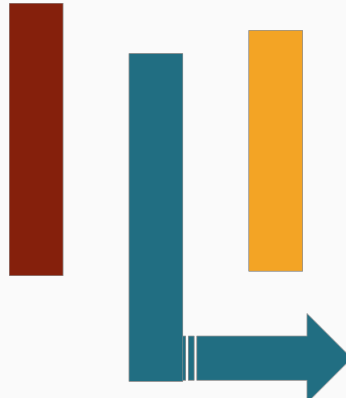


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Monthly Newsletter

L&LO is a grassroots, 501(c)3 faith-based non-profit, currently working in Addis Ababa and throughout Ethiopia, East Africa.

Parsing God for His Faithfulness

Dear Beloved,

What an incredible evening we shared! The love and support you all expressed was truly heartwarming. You could have chosen to be anywhere else, yet you dedicated your precious time to be with us, and for that, we are immensely grateful. It was clear that God's presence enveloped us, and we fe

His love in every moment. Glory to be our God.

As I shared my journey as a refugee and immigrant to Canada, as a former student at Fresno Pacific University and back again Ethiopia, I felt the deep connection that united me with the women in Ethiopia. Many of them arrived in the big city along side their husbands, only to face the heartbreaking reality of illness and loss shortly after their husbands tested positive for HIV.

This unfortunate turn of events has left many women **displaced, struggling without financial security, and often lacking the skills needed to support themselves**. The stigma surrounding HIV can make returning to their home villages feel impossible, as they carry the weight of guilt and shame—sometimes for themselves and often for their children who also test positive.

Yet, amidst these challenges, their resilience shines brightly as they fight for their children and cling to hope. **My vulnerability in sharing my story with the women became a bridge connecting our hearts—woman to woman, soul to soul.** It is my prayer that you felt the sincerity of my message, honoring God and His faithfulness throughout my life. Reflecting on this journey, I see how He has been preparing me for this vital work.

Our mission is to create a safe haven for these women through a transformative nine-month program that inspires, restores, and renews their identities. We equip them with essential life skills that restore dignity and foster a sense of contribution back to society. Above all, we bring HOPE to the women and children we serve through the gospel of Jesus Christ, reflecting on our theme for the year from Psalm 119:105:

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to sponsoring these women and children. I am thrilled to announce that the funds raised will directly support critical needs in Ethiopia, including the purchase of additional sewing machines, enabling these women to acquire marketable skills by the time they graduate from our program. If the Lord moves your heart, there are still opportunities to contribute in various ways.

Donate Here

A special shout-out to our table sponsors for their trust and generosity, and to our Resource Material Team for their tireless efforts in making the evening spectacular. Thank you to all our guests who added an extra touch of joy to the night and to our dedicated board members for their behind-the-scenes work ensuring that Loving and Leading Others thrives.

Be sure to check out this [YouTube video](#) recapping our impactful work in Ethiopia. For privacy reasons, we kindly ask that you refrain from sharing it on social media to protect the women from stigma.





Our Move to Ethiopia!

I know many of you were surprised by the announcement my husband made at the end of our speech. Yes, it's true! We are moving back to Ethiopia for a season. While we are both excited and a little apprehensive, we fully trust the Lord to guide us as we embark on this new adventure. We will share more details soon, but for now, we ask for your prayers.

🎉 Exciting Update for Volunteers and Prayer Warriors! 🎉

For all of you who marked "V" for volunteer and "P" for pray on your response cards, we have something special just for you!

Join us for an inspiring gathering on **November 13th at 11:30 AM and 6:30 PM.**

This is your chance to connect with



fellow supporters and discover the next steps in our mission together! Stay tuned for more details, which I'll send out via email or phone call. We can't wait to see you there!

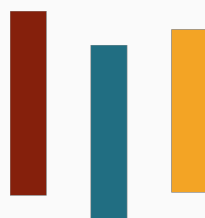


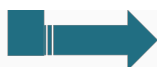
Next Steps for Engagements:

Excited about making a positive impact? **Join us for a mission trip to Ethiopia in January 2025!** Contact Elsa Asrat at elsa_asrat@yahoo.ca to learn how you can contribute through volunteering, donations, or spreading the word. Stay connected by subscribing to our newsletters or following us on social media. We value your feedback and suggestions for future events as they help us grow and improve. Your support means the world to us, and together, we're making a difference!

Thank you once again for your love, support, and commitment to our mission. Together, we are making a difference!

Many Blessings





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