

WHEELCHAIRS for NIGERIA

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RICES DISTRIBUTE 700 WHEELCHAIRS

Ron and Sharon Rice traveled to Nigeria in October and gave out 700 wheelchairs in 7 distributions. This was Ron's 30th trip, and the first time back in 3 years. The delay was caused first by Covid and then by the risk of kidnapping. They linked up with Phyllis Sortor, a remarkable missionary from Seattle. Ron is on her board and went together with her last year to purchase an armored vehicle. She also employs 2 policemen. With her pickup and the bulletproof SUV, her 2 drivers and 2 policemen, they had good security for all the long road trips to these 7 distributions.

Watch a 14 minute video of the highlights of this trip on the Video page of the website.



111 wheelchairs given at a Baptist church in Mabudi



Driver Lawal Abbas, Phyllis Sortor, policeman Saidu Usman, and the bulletproof 2006 Lexus SUV



Sharon and Ron Rice, the Emir of Karshi and Ayuba Gufwan



Ron tries to shake hands with every disabled person



100 wheelchairs given at the palace of the Emir of Karshi

3685 TRICYCLES SO FAR IN 2022

This has been the most productive year in our history: 837 more tricycles than last year! With 240 more in the shop awaiting distribution, they should reach their goal of 4000 for the year, which would be a 40% increase over last year!

This is wonderful, since we are just scratching the surface of the need. At every distribution, more polio survivors show up whose names were not on the list.

The problem is that the more tricycles that are manufactured, the more money is needed for supplies. Several times this year we ran short and Ayuba thought he would have to shut down the shop for a few days. But God is good and you supporters have been generous. Recently I wired \$3000 for a critical need, leaving only \$200 in the account. Several hours later the mail came with a \$20,000 check from an anonymous donor!

Diamond, our administrator, wrote, " We want to express our sincere gratitude to the contributors who make this possible. As long as we have a steady supply of money to pay for the supplies needed to keep the shop operating, we plan to stay above this number (4000) next year. God bless you and thank you."



A crippled mother with a child on her back gets a wheelchair

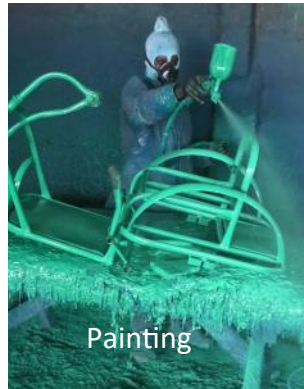
A visit to the shop:



Welding



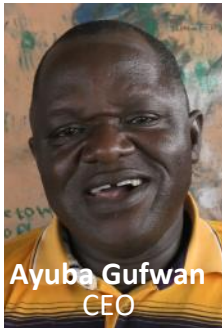
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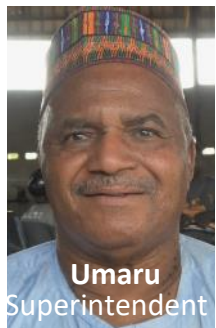
Ayuba Gufwan
CEO



Diamond
Administrator



Jesse
Storekeeper



Umaru
Superintendent



Sandra
Photographer



Plangnan
Bookkeeper



Ayuba interviewed by a TV reporter

HELP US TRANSFORM MORE LIVES IN 2023

There are still uncounted tens of thousands of Nigerian polio survivors who spend their lives crawling on the ground. For only \$150 a life is transformed. We need your generous support to raise the almost \$30,000 a month it takes to maintain our increased production.

Send your tax-deductible gift to 1542 Palm Ave SW, Seattle WA 98116, or give online at www.WheelchairsforNigeria.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

