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A LETTER FROM ADAM

Three Places Your Generosity Impacted This Year

Dear Friend,

As my first year as CEO draws to a close, I have seen first hand where the strength of iTeams comes from and it is directly from you and the global community standing with us—our dedicated donors, churches, and local partners.

This year has not been easy. We know people are suffering in the places where we work, and that unsettles us into action.

In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul writes about how we are one body with many parts in the Kingdom of God. Verse 26 says, "If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it."

We are suffering alongside others, but we are also rejoicing with the many people and communities experiencing greater dignity, justice, peace, and hope.

That hope most often appears when people come together. Your generosity has helped support employment resources for women, new medical clinics that are serving people even before construction is complete, and hundreds of local volunteers and churches who are standing alongside their communities so your impact goes further.

In every one of these places, our motivation remains the same: "We are not okay until we are all okay."

The needs of our local partners can shift quickly, and the most urgent need is rarely the one we expect. When you give to iTeams Canada, you give us the flexibility to respond where the need is greatest and stand alongside our partners who know their communities the best.

Inside this newsletter, you will see what your generosity is making possible, and how you are the reason our partners can continue building toward lasting change. Thank you for giving, praying, and standing alongside iTeams Canada.

With gratitude,



Adam Faber

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CEO, iTeams Canada



The Land Was Only a Dream When I First Saw It.

In the fall of 2017, I stood on an undeveloped stretch of farmland with Dina, Program Leader at our partner Pas Cu Pas (PCP) in Romania. I was serving as a Forge intern with iTeams Canada, joining PCP's volunteer teams as they visited children in orphanages.

Dina and I stood on land that hadn't even been purchased yet, but as she described what it could become, I could picture her dream and what she wanted someone to feel when they stepped foot on the farm. She described wanting everyone to feel accepted, welcomed, and missed when they are gone.

"The Family Farm was designed so that children can experience the simple life outside of the orphanage and become home for others."

– Dina, Program Leader

This June, I returned for the first time since that internship in 2017 and saw first-hand what had become of that dream.

During my week at the Family Farm, I watched a van pull in and its doors slide open. Volunteers were calling out names and faces lit up as kids and adults realized they had arrived somewhere they are known and cared for. It was exactly what I had pictured years ago, only it was so much better.

The work now reaches further than ever. More than 100 local volunteers and eight churches help carry PCP's mission, and they plan to expand its programming to adults who grew up as orphans.

This is what long-term partnership looks like everywhere iTeams works: local leaders carry the vision, and people like you stand faithfully behind them.

The Family Farm is a testament to the faithful work of PCP's team and the generosity of people like you. You are part of that story, and I came home more grateful than ever after seeing what your generosity has helped create.

With gratitude,

Jacob Gaudaur



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Carpentry Is for Everyone: How Caustreance Built a New Livelihood



When Caustreance Malambo lost her husband, she became the sole provider for her children. She needed a steady way to pay the rent, keep food on the table and keep her kids in school. So in 2025, she chose to learn a trade that very few women in her community had ever tried: carpentry.

Your generous support allowed Caustreance to join a 10-day Women's Skills Training Conference led by our local partner, Impact Zambia. With your help, iTeams was able to connect her with a grant through the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.

While other women trained in tailoring, knitting and food production, Caustreance learned carpentry, building two tables and four chairs before graduating with her certificate.

"Carpentry is for everyone. As long as you have hands and you have the energy, you can do it as well. So my advice for other women is please don't just stay home. With this skill, you never go wrong. You never go hungry."

-Caustreance Malambo, 2025 graduate

After the training, Caustreance's instructor, Mr. Musemali, invited her to work out of his carpentry shop in the neighbourhood market. Today, she builds furniture like beds, and sells it through her neighbourhood and local churches. **For Caustreance, it's not just a new skill, it's rent paid, meals provided and an education for her children.** And every bed she sells shows the women around her that this kind of work belongs to them too.

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That ripple of this project is already spreading.

In 2025, **47 participants** completed skills training through the program.

This year, Impact Zambia went further by offering **4 advanced courses taught by local leaders.** Many of them are past graduates of the program and are welcoming back women eager to grow the skills they had started building.

Stories like Caustreance's grow out of long-term partnership with local leaders who know their communities best. **Thank you for standing behind that partnership and helping women like Caustreance build something that lasts.**

"I'm able to pay for my rental, feed my children."

– Caustreance Malambo

A NOTE FROM A PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Call That Left Me Inspired

In the Dominican Republic, there is a medical clinic taking shape. Even though the building has not been officially opened, it is already having an enormous impact in the community.

A few weeks ago, I had a mid-term check-in call with one of our partners there, her name is Danerys from Lighthouse Projects, and she is a young leader who is growing her leadership skills (just like me!).

I hung up feeling so inspired by the work they are doing, made possible by generous people like you, who care about long-term partnership.

The medical clinic is taking shape, the structural walls are finished, and they are now working through the final details ahead of a grand opening in late 2026. Even though the building isn't officially open yet, it is already being used to improve the lives of the members in the community.

Earlier this year, visiting medical groups and a team of ophthalmologists saw 600 local residents. Uninsured families received orthopaedic, cardiology, pediatric and optometry care, along with glasses, medication kits and vitamins.

In my role, I get to sit between people like you and partners like Danerys. Calls like this one are my favourite parts of the job, because I get to see how your generous gifts have truly impacted communities across the world.

Our partner, Lighthouse, has been a living example of this ministry in the Dominican Republic community for more than 30 years. They know their neighbours by name, and they are building something that will be used for decades to come.

You are part of that. Thank you for being the kind of person who stays with a community long enough to see the impact.

Please pray for the Lighthouse team as they prepare to welcome patients through the doors.

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