

### Mission in action >>>

Supporting and mentoring leaders from Burundi and Rwanda who are improving access to and quality of palliative care for their communities. Nurse Carine and Burundian Peace Ambassador Prosper Ndabishuriye, along with Rwandan team members Grace, Peace and Emmanuel surround hospice patient Olive (third from left) during an HWB sponsored clinical trip August 2012.



### HWB Mission is to build peace at the grass roots:

We achieve this by supporting and mentoring leaders throughout the world who are working to improve both the access to and the quality of palliative care in their communities.

We believe that hospice nurtures sacred reciprocity between all people, cultivates compassion in the face of suffering, provides shelter and refuge for the vulnerable, and is thus a pragmatic and potent vehicle for building peace in the human heart.

### Our Vision:

*A global community that honors the sanctity in living and dying.*

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Peace Begins in the human heart ~ Amahoro l'angira mu mutima wawe

## Hospice Without Borders

# 2012 Annual Report

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### A New Beginning in Burundi

In August of 2012 our friend and peace-builder Prosper Ndabishuriye, traveled to Kigali from his home in Burundi to learn about palliative care from Angela and Grace. He returned to Burundi inspired to create a volunteer hospice service for his people. On the occasion of World Hospice Day, our Rwandan colleagues traveled to Bujumbura with HWB support and led the first ever training in palliative care. The conference was well attended, and here below the group posed for a photograph at the end of the day: Palliative Care and Hospice are new to Burundi, and this March HWB will conduct a national visit to build upon the foundation set during the initial training.



### From the founders...

This 2012 Annual Report weaves a thread of gratitude: deep gratitude to you; all our friends and partners who have provided such a deep reservoir of good will and support over the past year

As we step forward into 2013, I encourage you to remain engaged. We are expanding both our international and domestic efforts to serve the most vulnerable, and we need your support in order to do so.

Whether working to care for the good people of Rwanda, the homeless, traumatized and bereft in our local communities, or ourselves being embraced by those whom we meet along the path, we give thanks.

*Buhoro Buhoro  
Nirwo Rugendo  
~  
Slowly Together  
We make the  
Journey  
Rwandan Proverb*

Our African partnerships remain robust. In 2013 we are expanding the work in Rwanda and as discussed in the left column, we will conduct a national visit to Burundi to build upon what we've already achieved during 2012.

At Hospice Without Borders, we say our work is a direct peace-building practice that honors the sanctity of living and dying, and one that fosters sacred reciprocity between all people. Reading this report, I hope you will see how our thread is binding a cloth of compassion.

And our work here in the United States continues to evolve. Our goal this year is to develop our "mobile palliative care clinic." We will strengthen existing partnerships with the Native American community of South Puget Sound, support the community of caregivers, and create innovative ways to bridge gaps in making hospice available to the homeless community.

... 1 Rwandan nurse 2 years ago with a vision to end suffering for her country...

## The Rwanda Story

In 2010, with a small stipend of seed money and no promise of future funding, Grace Mukanguranga began a small home care program. Using public transport and meager nursing supplies she brought hope to those suffering end stage illness. Within a few months of starting she met David Slack MD and the HWB partnership was born.



In early 2011 HWB granted a car and driver to Grace's efforts, allowing her to navigate the rutted and hilly terrain of Kigali more efficiently, and thus reach more patients. Her census was climbing to over 25.

### A Second Nurse

By the end of 2011, patients referrals were increasing. Grace was in need of another nurse. HWB completed a clinical trip 2011 and returned with a plan to increase grant support to allow for a second nurse. Donors answered the call and by March 2012 Grace was able to add a second nurse (Peace), shown left tending a patient. Her team also includes 13 volunteer village workers, who attend regular trainings held by the Rwandan team and the HWB team. In 2012 this small but growing group of committed individuals completed over 700 home visits, an effort only possible because of the support of the HWB community.



### A Center of Excellence

With over 2 years of experience and 500 local providers trained, Grace and her team are partnering with Kabagabaga hospital in Kigali. Together they have become a center of excellence in palliative care: a model for all of Rwanda to follow. HWB donors have been an integral part of supporting this evolving service.

"I now know dying can be peace" words of Kadu, young caregiver to a hospice patient

These words were spoken to us during a bereavement visit conducted with Kadu. The lives of nearly all children in Rwanda and Burundi have been touched by violence. So many young people grow up believing that their traumatic experience with loss has "taken away the sanctity in dying."

At HWB we believe the peace-building promise of hospice has everything to do with the quality of a child's preparation for the inevitable encounter with suffering. That is why in 2012 nursing director Angela Lee led the first bereavement event ever held in Kigali. The structure allowed children to own and express their grief through creative play and narrative: all in a safe and supportive environment that nurtured the sanctity of both living and dying.



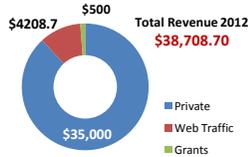
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### Summary of Financial Highlights for Hospice Without Borders >>>

Expenditures 2012		
Program Supported	Activity	Amount
Rwanda	Operating Grants	23660
Rwanda	Medical Supply	1030
Rwanda	Trainings	4217.42
Rwanda	Volunteer Luncheon	720
Rwanda	Travel Scholarship	2077.07
Burundi	Training	2295
Non Profit Operations		750.89
<b>Total Expenditures 2012</b>		<b>34583.68</b>

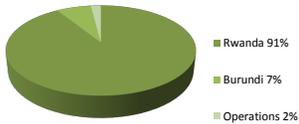


"Do your little bit of good where you are, it's those little bits of good, put together that overwhelm the world"

Desmond Tutu

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Rwanda Hospice Palliative Care Activity	Total # Served By Donation Monies
New Patients Added to Service	34
Home Visits Completed 2012	700
Caregivers and Professionals Trained in Palliative Care	224
Number of Patients Receiving Palliative care from team of two nurses and one driver	105
Total People Served in Rwanda From Private Donors for 2012	1063

98% of donations directly applied to patient care

The Hospice Without Borders Donor Community ~ Being the Change They Want to See in the World.

Over 1000 people in Rwanda served 2012

You are responsible for the amazing things happening at Hospice Without Borders. We are grateful for your support.

Thank You

you're invited to discover

Stories of local projects and partnerships:

- Ashley House
- South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA)
- Mobile Palliative Care Clinic
- Medical Supply Recovery & Redistribution
- Academic Presentations

Stories of hope and courage from hospice Rwanda

The Travel log- written by Grace Mukanguranga of her first trip to the United States, a travel scholarship.

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"you don't ever let go of the thread"  
Excerpt William Stafford "The Way It Is"