

FALL 2024

HADDIS NEWS



This fall, we rejoice over the many success stories and progress that has been made in 2024.

Most of our students excelled and were promoted to the next grade level and some are celebrating high school, college or vocational graduation! The promotion rate increased from 57% to 90% with our children in Addis Ababa! Haddis' children wrote letters for their sponsors over the summer before heading back to school in September. In addition, we eagerly await the completion of our private high school and we're thrilled that our first class of 9th graders will be moving into the building later this school year.

Preschool Launch!

Food shortages, lack of access to education and poverty profoundly impact the majority of children in Gondar. Recently, a large number of applicants, **356 children applied for 18 available slots for sponsorship, demonstrating the depth of poverty in the region.** To support a greater number of children, Bridge of Hope proposed a preschool project for those who did not receive sponsorship.



For only \$3500, a preschool classroom was constructed and staffed to support 40 students for an entire year!



Success Story Fitihi

A notable success from the special needs program is that Fitihi has been promoted to general education Kindergarten at the BOH school after passing his entrance exam with good results. This achievement highlights the positive educational outcomes and significant difference in the lives of these children and their families.



Desta Academy Successful First Year

A beautiful ceremony occurred to celebrate a year of success with our special needs class! Moms were overjoyed to see their child's progress in communication and independence. This is the only special needs school in the Gondar community and moms are finally able to work and provide for their family with the support of their child safely in school.

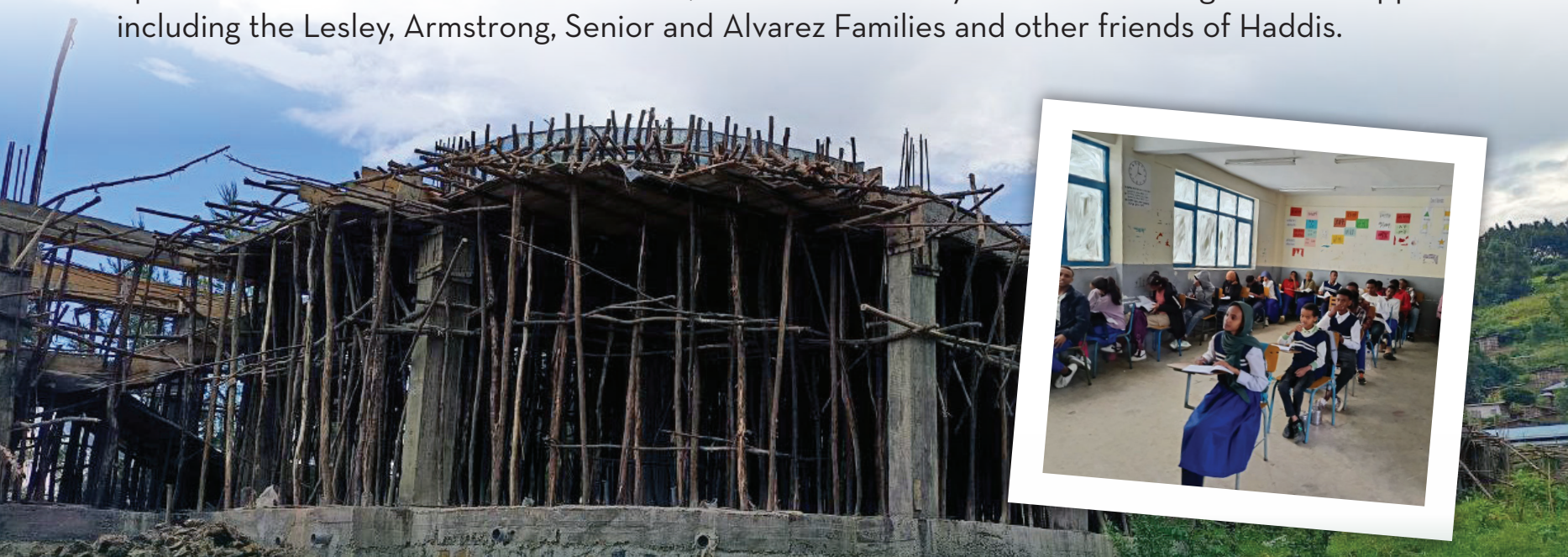
Breaking down Barriers: The program helps children feel free from bias and stigma, promoting a sense of belonging in the community.



High School Update

The final construction phase for our new 9th Grade Center is underway and furniture and classroom supplies have been ordered. We are hopeful that our 9th grade students, currently at our lower school, will be moving into the new facility at the beginning of the year. We are praying our fundraising efforts allows us to add a new wing for 10-12 grades.

Special thanks to our faithful benefactors, The Caneza Family Foundation along with our supporters including the Lesley, Armstrong, Senior and Alvarez Families and other friends of Haddis.



Graduates

We had several sponsored teens complete technical school or graduate from college this year! We are so proud of them and thankful to their sponsors for supporting them and helping them reach these milestones.



Praise & Prayer

We recently started a regular food distribution program to help address the food insecurity of the kids and their families in Addis.

The moms of Morning Light are quite grateful with the additional help they have received. They said this will help their entire family and relieve a lot of burden and stress.



Estifanos shared, **"You have helped us from the costly expense of schooling and educational materials."** He is sponsored by the Burkey Family.



Birtukan said, **"After I got a sponsor my life has changed. I got so many materials, I am being fruitful in my academics. My life is going well."** She is sponsored by the Grieb Family.



Yetneberk stated, **"Thank God who gave you to me. My current situation is very, very good."** Thank you to the Prather and Mercer families for supporting him!

2024 Impact Report

Construction started on our high school in Gondar

Over 100 kids participated in a summer long Young Life Program in Addis

4 sponsored teens graduated from college or technical school

1 mom graduated from hospitality training

5 moms and **3** teens were empowered through small business ventures

118 families receive staple food items regularly through our new initiative to meet the needs of our families in Addis.

40 9th graders started school in the existing school building and eagerly await the completion of the new high school in Gondar

BOH Clinic staffed with 2 nurses and a physical therapist provide comprehensive healthcare services, preventative care and health education as well as home visits throughout the village.



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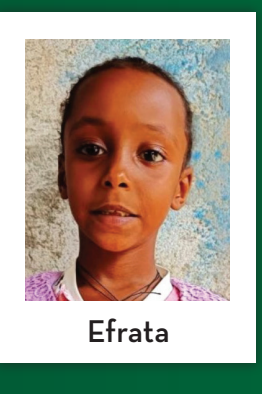
Real kids who need your help



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Sponsorship

We have 20 more kids who are in need of a sponsor.

A \$43 monthly donation gives a child life changing educational, nutritional and medical support along with discipleship and the hope that is only found in Jesus. Join us by committing to sponsor a child through our one to one relational sponsorship model: www.haddis.org/sponsor/

If you're a sponsor, please spread the word about Haddis Ministries and our waiting children.

Save the Date

Our 4th Annual Night With Haddis

Friday, May 2, 2025 at the Winter Park BMW!



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