



2019 October Expedition
IMPACT REPORT

AWARDS

SSCM Graduation Ceremony



Students from Hairdressing and Woodworking trade training had their graduation ceremony on the SSCM trade school site. Each had passed their national competency examinations, and were there to receive that award.

Each student was gifted with tools to help them begin their career, as part of the Stewart Vocational Training Award, offered by Dr Calvin and Mrs Anne Stewart. Special recognition awards were also given to one student from Hairdressing, and one from Woodworking for exceptional achievements.

Recognition to trade school benefactor D. Lawrence Penner was given as part of the ceremony.

Creating a Literacy Program

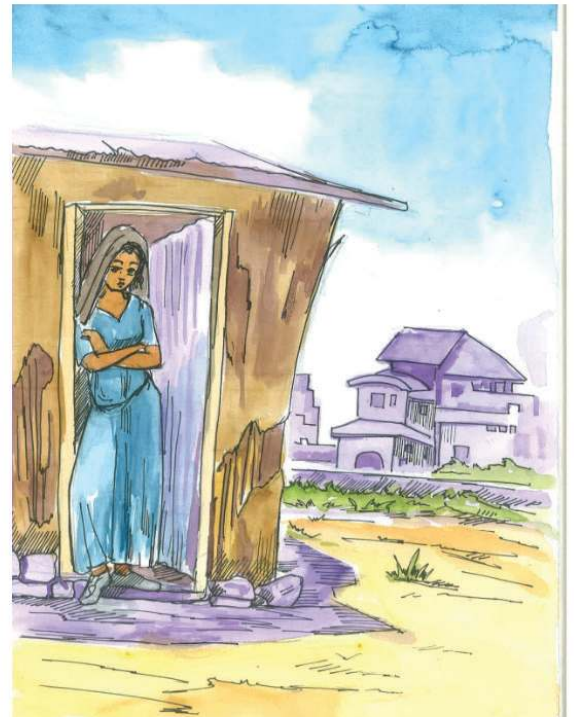
Partnering with worthy organizations is an incredible way to increase the impact and efficiency of our programs. This trip, we worked with Interweave and Hope Arising on a series of books to be published in Oromifa and Amharic that will help both students and guardians improve their reading skills.

The program, developed by Interweave, includes English in the books as well, helping readers to learn their own language and English. This gives them more skills to help them succeed in their careers.

Six days were devoted to working with our charity staff, and community members, to create these books. Altogether, this effort involved over 60 people, staff, community members, local government members.

The group was able to complete the draft of the books for each language before departing Ethiopia. In February 2020, Lynn Carter, and Hope Arising will return with CDN HUM, to help teach our Ethiopia staff the techniques for adult literacy, using this newly completed tool.

PARTNER PROJECT



One of the book's illustrations, done by local artist and Education Support Center teacher Beza, featuring scenes from everyday Ethiopian life.



FILMING A DOCUMENTARY

Jay Lawrance from Two Word Productions came as the Photographer for Prairie Toyota Dealers, to do a My Prairie Toyota Story on Canadian Humanitarian.

The short film that was shown at Medicine Hat's annual fundraising gala can be viewed here:

<http://bit.ly/jays-film>

or just scan the square!



TOTAL VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Spending time with the students is definitely the highlight of every trip, for us and for them. So we try to have something special with every group whenever we visit.

Some activities were prepared by expedition members for the students, such as games, presentations, and playing hockey. Others were prepared by the students as a special event for their foreign visitors.

- Field trip to the Museum with Alemgena and Gulele students, with donuts and juice afterwards
- Hockey with students: Gulele, Kersa, Kirkos
- Special student led presentations by Kirkos and Kality

- Games with students Gulele, Kersa, Kirkos
- Singing Time with Dr Northcott Gulele and Kirkos
- Mining Engineering Presentation: Gulele, Kersa
- Time Management Presentation: SSCM Trade students

