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Enhancing Access to Palliative Care Worldwide

# "Hunger is Showing its Hungry Face" Seke Rural Home-Based Care Disaster Response Fund Update

Local community members near Seke Rural Home Based Care (HBC) who are dealing with the vast effects of the global pandemic. Many are struggling, not only from the virus itself, but from the side-effects that come from lockdowns, restrictions and food shortages. Thanks to their U.S. partner, Arkansas Hospice and Global Partners in Care (GPIC), Seke Rural HBC has been able to provide food, education and supplies to prevent the spread of the virus and alleviate the other major concerns families are facing. In total, they were able to provide food hampers to 10 of their most vulnerable patients and families. Read more to see their stories.

Click to read more

### **Greetings from the Mbale Palliative Care Team**

With help from the GPIC COVID-19 response funding and support from their US supporters, the Mbale Palliative Care Team is continuing to provide essential services in the community during this difficult time.

"We are happy to let you know that your support has been very helpful in this era of COVID-19 as the numbers are now escalating in our country and the personal protective equipment are a big issue. Our team is able to move on because of your support. Many thanks to you all!"



### Dancing in solidarity across the oceans

HospiceWits challenged their partner, Empath Health to the *Jeusalema* dance challenge - a joyful sign of hope amidst the pandemic. Staff from both organizations took a break from work to practice and perform together! This simple act of togetherness across the oceans demonstrates the importance of simple solidarity between partners. It was a wonderful way for staff to connect with each other at such a great physical distance.

View the video



This partnership has been an inspiration for us here at Global Partners in Care since its beginning in 2000. Staff from both hospices have traveled on partner visits several times and frequently communicate by phone and email. They have exchanged trainings and Empath Health staff utilize payroll deduction to allow them to donate directly to the partnership.

Read more about the partnership

Hospice Palliative Care Association of South Africa launches an app to bring psycho-social support in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic

Read more here

### African palliative care providers - your help is needed!

APCA and Kings College London are conducting a survery to better understand the impact of the Palliative care Outcome Scale (POS). Please fill out this brief survey or contact Dr. Eve Namisango to participate.

#### Thank you!



### Hospice Ethiopia Quarterly report

Hospice Ethiopia provides incredible services to a large population in Ethiopia. Take a look to learn more about their challenges and successes over the past few months. Quarterly Report

## We love seeing stories of our partners' excellent care!

Msunduzi Hospice
Association provides quality
palliative care in South
Africa. Patient testimonials
can be a powerful advocacy
tool for increasing palliative
care services. Watch the
Devroop brothers share
their story of the care their
mother received from the
organization.

Learn more about <u>Msunduzi</u> <u>Hospice Association.</u>

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