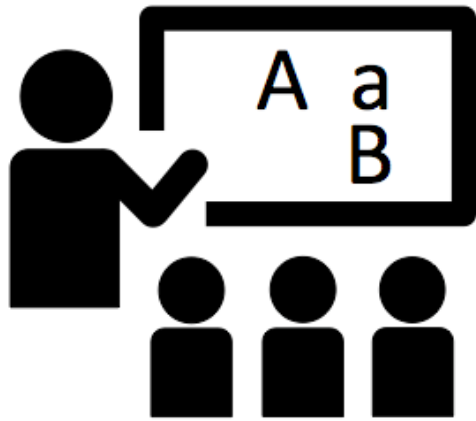


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FACE

**Free African Children
thru Education**



Thank you for your continued support in providing education for orphaned children in Uganda, who are living with a relative. Only \$10.00 per month sponsors a primary school child, and \$29.00 per month a secondary school child. Many children drop out of school because of lack of funds. Please consider sponsoring a child to attend secondary school.

Update: Eswatini Building project - good news

The board of FACE would like to thank all the individual donors, as well as the members of the Penticton SDA Church, who have generously donated the balance needed for completion of phase one of this building project.

Lobamba SDA Primary School Building Project Fundraising - We have reached our fundraising goal of \$30,000 for phase 1 and are waiting for the funds to be released to us. We have started fundraising for phase 2, and at present we have raised \$1,500.



Lobamba SDA Primary School Building progress

What is in Your Hand?

At the burning bush, God asked Moses, "What is in your hand?" Each of us has a means to serve God. For 91-year-old George Smith, it is a size 15 crochet hook.

George, who lives in central British Columbia, broke both legs in a sawmill accident in 1984. While rehabilitating in Vancouver he stayed with his sister who told him she wasn't going to have him sitting there doing nothing, so she taught him to crochet.

Some years later, George was struggling with accumulated credit card debt and he prayed that God would help him get a loan at 4% interest, which would enable him to make smaller monthly payments. He promised he would use the money thus saved to buy yarn to make projects to sell. He decided that all the proceeds would be given to God, not even taking any for his expenses.

In 2016 George set himself a goal of making 100 rugs, which he had reached by mid-year, so he aimed for 200 rugs which goal was achieved. He paid off his debt over time and used the money he earned from selling the rugs to support Adventist World Radio and FACE (Free African Children thru Education).

George quotes James 4:3, "You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss..." (NKJV) George says that hundreds of times he has asked God for help and has been blessed. He says that he gets tired, which is understandable at age 91, and sometimes wants to stop crocheting rugs, but he believes that he needs God's permission to do this.

He is very resourceful, finding yarn in different ways, picking up afghans at thrift stores (sometimes given to him after asking God for a sign that he should continue making the rugs), which he carefully unpicks and reuses to crochet the rugs. He has also been given big garbage bags full of yarn by friends. His wife, Charlotte, helps him plan the colour selection for the rugs, which turn out beautifully.

George sees each person he meets as a potential supporter for his cause, and he always carries rugs with him. He uses the opportunities not just to make a sale, but to witness to the power and love of God through Christ Jesus, always remembering to let people know how precious they are to God. The highlight of his rug project is to help others see Christ.

George believes each of us has something to give to God. It does not have to be big. God values you and your gift as much as anyone else's. What do you have in your hand?

If you, like George, believe that a proper learning environment and a good education are essential for a child's future, please consider partnering with FACE to make our mission a reality. For more information, please visit our [website](#).





SMOOTHIE STAND

FACE will have a display in the big tent at the 2022 Alberta camp meeting in July (15-23), and the FACE team will also be selling smoothies from their booth at the Food Fair on July 17. All proceeds will be allocated to the phase 2 construction of the Lobamba SDA Primary School classroom block. We look forward to meeting many of you there.



Thank you again for your generous support for FACE, helping to provide education for disadvantaged children in Africa.

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