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Wheels for the World Update

Upcoming Wheels for the World Trips

Want to take part in one of our Wheelchair distributions?

Join us on our trip(s) to:
Ghana, Accra – May 2026
Rwanda, Kayonza – September 2026

See Planned trips page



Stories of impact: this month's story A Triumph of Courage: Favour's Journey in Jinja

On the second day of our distribution in Jinja, we met five-year-old Favour, whose quiet strength left a lasting impression on everyone present.

She arrived with her older sister, who lovingly carried her from place to place. Favour lives with Spina Bifida, which makes walking difficult, and often keeps her from attending school.

Our therapist, Kathy Birch, was moved by Favour's determination. With gentle encouragement, Favour began the brave task of climbing into her new wheelchair. Step by step, she pushed herself up using her arms, placing one foot after the other on the plates. With one final effort, she sat upright—smiling proudly as the crowd around her erupted in applause. Her courage was contagious.

Before leaving, Favour spent time with Sophie, our Play Therapist, enjoying toys, and fell in love with a beautiful Zebra mask which she took home.

But the most heart-warming moment came later...

That Sunday, as our volunteers gathered in church, Favour surprised us all. Dressed in her Sunday best, she entered with a radiant smile and joined her peers for Sunday school. She clapped joyfully, lifting songs to Jesus with pure delight.

Favour's story is a powerful reminder: every child deserves a place in the house of God. Her presence, her joy, and her worship showed us how vital it is to create spaces that welcome and include those with disabilities.

When Hope Rolls In: Harriet's Journey from Surrender to Renewal



From Harriet's viewpoint, sat in her new wheelchair...

I came to church that Sunday with a quiet heart. At seventy, after living with polio since childhood and falling ill again, I felt my strength fading. Surrounded by family, I wasn't afraid—I was simply ready. I wanted to dedicate my life to Christ, to prepare for what I believed was the end. When the pastor mentioned a wheelchair distribution, I gently declined. *What use is a wheelchair now?* I thought. *I'm ready to go.* But the following week, something changed. I met the Wheels for the World team—strangers who spoke with such warmth and welcoming, it stirred something inside me. *Why do they care so much?* I wondered. Their kindness made me reconsider.

That last day of the distribution I thought to myself that morning. *Get yourself together and go, what do you have to lose.* I went with a bit of dread, I received a wheelchair, a Bible, and a prayer. As I sat in that chair, I thought to myself, *maybe I'm not done yet.* Days later, they visited me at home. I sang my heart out and danced, sitting on the wheelchair to honour them for how they had given me hope. I thanked them in my language, my heart was full and I will carry them in my heart forever: *"God has given me a new lease on life."*



Zeresi's Strength: A Journey of Determination

Two years ago, Zeresi came to our Jinja distribution hoping for a wheelchair, but our local volunteer Bernard gently encouraged her to try crutches instead, believing it would help build her strength. She embraced the challenge, and this year she returned with a radiant smile—her arms and legs stronger, her confidence soaring. Now, Zeresi moves freely, a living testament to the power of believing in someone's potential.



International Roofbreakers Update

We are excited to be launching **Disability Awareness Sunday services** across our East African Roofbreaker Network from the **23rd of November 2025**.

The pilot initiative was run successfully by our East African Regional Co-ordinator Pastor Davis. Under the theme of 'Made in the Image of God' a special church service time was given for people with disabilities to share their testimonies.

One spoke of the joy of returning to church after four years indoors—thanks to a wheelchair donations. Another bravely shared about their rights and how they longed to be treated with dignity. Others spoke of their place in creation, the need for community support, and the pain and hope woven into their journeys. They read scripture, sang with joy, and brought the congregation to tears.

By the end of the service, two disabled individuals gave their lives to Jesus. The following Sunday, one of their carers also came forward and surrendered his life. Many in the church committed to supporting the needy in their villages. The disabled attendees felt deeply loved, and grateful to have been brought to church. It was a day of healing, awakening, and renewed purpose—a reminder that when we listen, love, and include people, transformation follows.



Rwanda: 12-15th Aug 2025 in partnership with FH Ministries

A successful Roofbreaker event was held in Kamonyi and Kayonza, bringing together community leaders and churches for meaningful conversations around disability inclusion. The gatherings were followed by workshops for parents and families of children with disabilities, creating safe spaces for learning and sharing. Over 150 people were reached. Thanks to a generous donation, we were also able to provide Audio Bibles to individuals with sight impairments.

Upcoming Roofbreaker Trips

Want to take part in one of our Roofbreaker events? Are you a speaker, a teacher, or just passionate about Jesus?

**Join us on our next trip:
India, Kolkata - February 2026
See [Planned trips page](#)**

The Term 'Roofbreaker' comes from the passage in Luke 5 where four men bring their paralysed friend to Jesus. When they couldn't get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they found another way and literally broke through the roof to bring him into Jesus' presence.

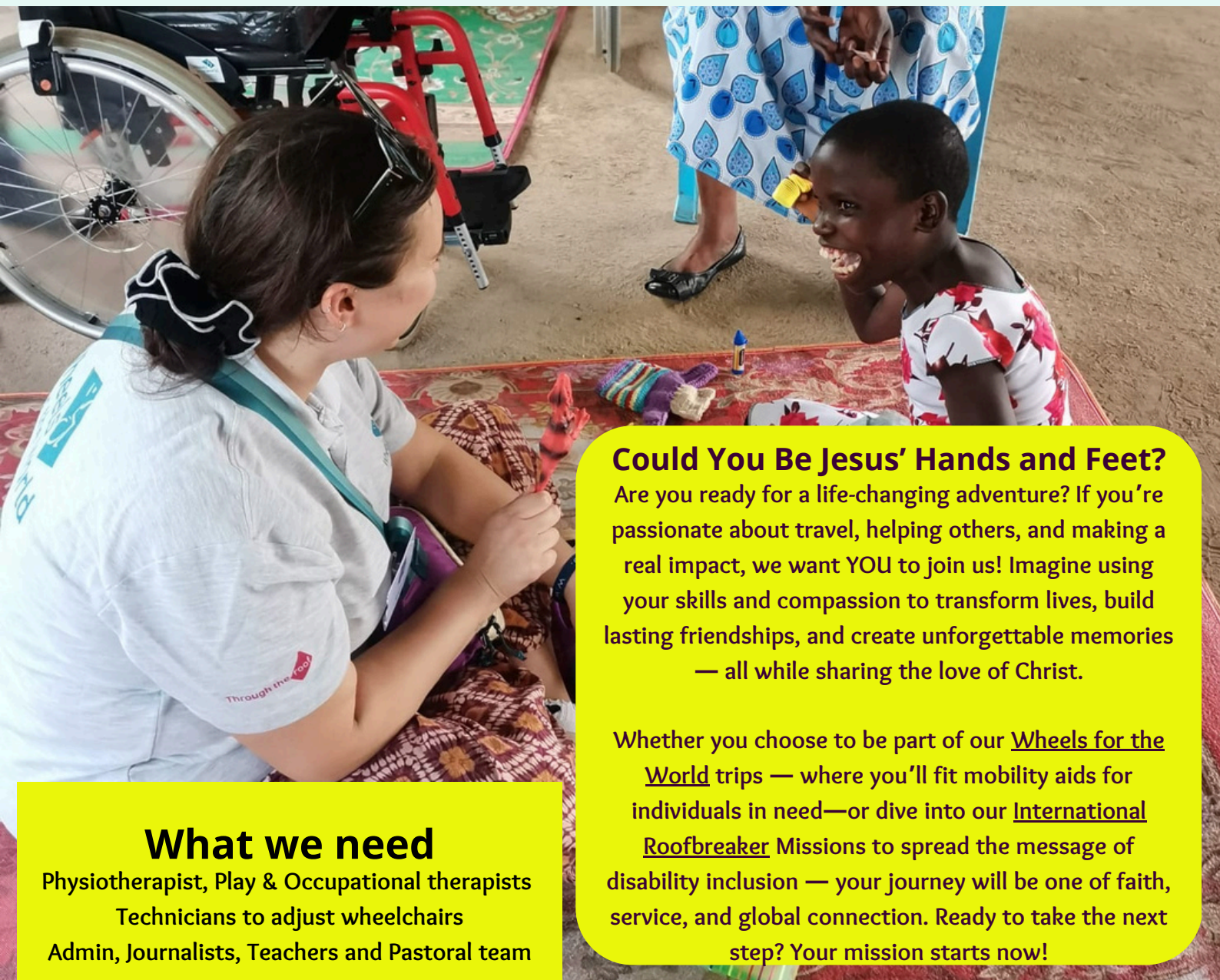
Volunteers

You are enough, God has gone ahead of you!

Ever wondered if you were skilled enough, holy or worthy enough to be used by God?

God can use all of us. He says, **“I have given you my Spirit - Go I am sending you!”**

We are recruiting volunteers for our next mission trips in 2026 and this could be your moment to step out in faith. It all starts with a simple conversation. Why don't you email **Kathy@throughtheroof.org** and have a chat: find out how you could be of help?



Could You Be Jesus' Hands and Feet?

Are you ready for a life-changing adventure? If you're passionate about travel, helping others, and making a real impact, we want YOU to join us! Imagine using your skills and compassion to transform lives, build lasting friendships, and create unforgettable memories — all while sharing the love of Christ.

Whether you choose to be part of our Wheels for the World trips — where you'll fit mobility aids for individuals in need—or dive into our International Roofbreaker Missions to spread the message of disability inclusion — your journey will be one of faith, service, and global connection. Ready to take the next step? Your mission starts now!

What we need

Physiotherapist, Play & Occupational therapists
Technicians to adjust wheelchairs
Admin, Journalists, Teachers and Pastoral team

Email: Kathy@throughtheroof.org for Wheels for the World and international@throughtheroof.org for Roofbreaker missions



How You Can Help

We know none of this is possible without your support



Pray

Pray with us for church disability inclusion to spread worldwide. Please keep upcoming missions in your prayers.



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