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CELEBRATING GROWTH, HEALING, & BRIGHT FUTURES

Across the Globe

Dominican Republic:

Kids Alive graduates celebrated university success in medicine, dentistry, and psychology, becoming mentors for the next generation.

 **Lebanon:** A medical team led by Dr. Ray Hachem provided consultations and medications, protecting children's health and strengthening families with care rooted in compassion.

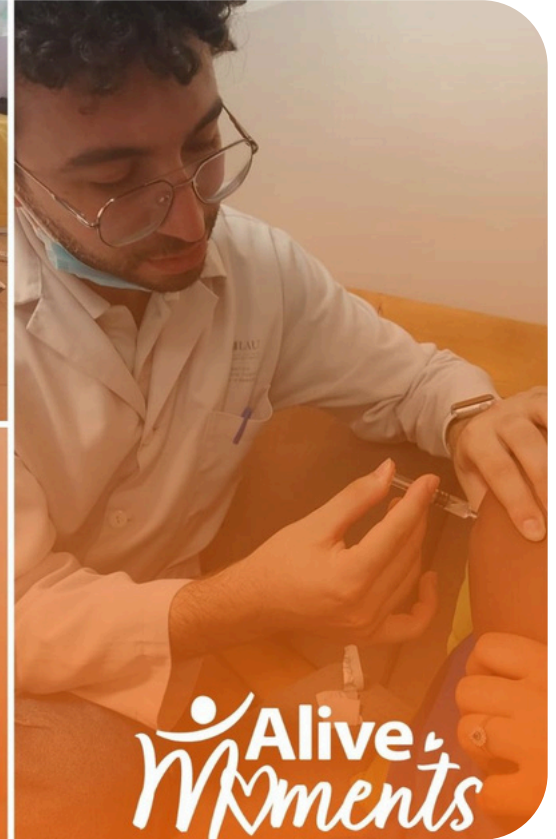
 **Guatemala:** The AVES healing group marked one year of joy, courage, hope, and wisdom as survivors began leading activities that multiply safety and strength.

 **Kenya:** Saturday mentorship sessions at Karundas Hope Center helped children grow in empathy, self-control, and confidence through Christ-centered guidance and community.

 **Haiti:** Twin sisters Oscarline and Oscarmene continue their education with Kids Alive's support, proving that steady love and holistic care can rewrite a child's story.

 **Zambia:** More than 100 children attended Vacation Bible School, discovering refuge and joy in God's Word—and 13 gave their lives to Christ!

 **Peru:** Mary's journey from crisis to calling continues as she now leads programs that strengthen families and nurture healing at the Oasis Center.



This month's Alive Moments reveal how faith in action brings lasting change—medical care that restores dignity, mentoring that shapes character, and education that opens doors to new futures. Across the world, Kids Alive teams are helping children and families take courageous steps toward healing. These stories reflect what happens when compassion meets opportunity: lives are restored, communities are renewed, and hope begins to multiply.

LEBANON

In Lebanon, where families face rising health needs, a compassionate medical team led by Dr. Ray Hachem spent the day providing consultations and much-needed medications to the community.

This is Kids Alive's care in action: practical love that protects children's health, strengthens families, and keeps kids in school. Because of these partners, parents left with answers and treatment, and children left safer against preventable disease, small steps that add up to an impact that heals and a future with dignity and hope.

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KENYA



CHILDREN MENTORSHIP Program

At the Karundas Hope Center in Kenya, Saturdays during the school term look a little brighter. Kids ages 6–12 join a Mentorship Program that blends short morning devotions, a warm cup of tea and snack, and practical tools for emotional regulation—helping little hearts steady big feelings. During school breaks, the program expands to a full week, shaping character and confidence in a safe, Christ-centered space.

After devotions, “Oasis” group sessions introduce life skills students can use at home and school: sharing chores, practicing teamwork, and building habits that lead to independence and service. These rhythms reflect Kids Alive’s Global Goals for family strengthening and community wellbeing, where children learn to live peacefully and safely. It’s everyday discipleship that prepares Kenya’s young people for tomorrow’s responsibilities and opportunities.

Families are seeing the difference. Caregivers report heart-level change—children moving from aggression to empathy, choosing self-control, and showing respect for teachers—resulting in fewer discipline cases at home and in class. We’re grateful for God’s provision and for the KAI teams whose prayer, funding, and faithful presence make these alive moments possible. Together, we’re raising focused, resilient learners who are equipped for a life of independence and service in Kenya.

ZAMBIA

When life feels unfair or scary, children in Zambia need places that are safe, joyful, and anchored in God’s love. That’s why our Kids Alive team created a welcoming space where kids could bring big feelings and real questions and be met with hope. In a community where families face daily hardship, Vacation Bible School became a steady refuge where little hearts could breathe, laugh, and learn.

With trained volunteers and Kids Alive staff leading the way, more than 100 children from our surrounding neighborhoods gathered for music, crafts, games, and a daily 45-minute Bible lesson on God’s goodness. Kids sang songs, learned Scripture like “The Lord is good, a strong refuge when trouble comes,” shared meals together, and even received T-shirts! The hall filled with worship, dancing, and the sound of beanbags and jump ropes, simple moments that stitched belonging and dignity into each day.

The impact was beautiful: 13 children chose to put their trust in Jesus, and many more walked away with courage, knowing God is close. Smiles spread, friendships grew, and children practiced teamwork and kindness that carry into family life and school. This what alive moments look like in Zambia—every snack shared, every verse learned, every prayer whispered, adding up to impact that heals, one child at a time.



UBS IN ZAMBIA

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

In the Dominican Republic, many children face barriers that make higher education feel out of reach. Kids Alive walks into that gap with stable love, strong academics, mentoring, and education that heals so kids can thrive. These are the alive moments that keep us going.

Glory Luz first joined Kids Alive at ANIJA school and, with perseverance and support, earned her undergraduate degree in Psychology. Now she serves on staff at Palo Blanco, pouring back into students with the same steady care she received and becoming the first in her family to graduate from university.

Ana Carolina grew up in our Constanza ministry and completed her degree in Medicine, preparing to specialize in obstetrics and gynecology to care for mothers and babies. Fraylin, an ANIJA alum, earned his Dentistry degree while learning alongside our ministry dentists and is now ready to bring dignifying care to children and families.

Through Kids Alive's Independence Program scholarships, these graduates received mentoring, spiritual care, and a clear pathway from school to vocation. Their success opens doors for siblings, neighbors, and future leaders across the DR, proof that God's provision for this mission is creating generational change.



GUATEMALA

In Escuintla, Guatemala, many girls and women carry the hidden wounds of violence, pain that isolates families and frays community bonds. Kids Alive Guatemala stepped in to build a healing circle called AVES, an acronym that stands for alegría (joy), valiente (courage), esperanza (hope), and sabiduría (wisdom).

Over the past year, AVES became a trusted space where survivors could breathe, speak truth, and discover they are not alone. With trauma-informed care, mentoring, and family inclusion, girls and moms formed healthy relationships, practiced boundaries, and learned tools for everyday resilience. This is justice that heals in action, restoring what violence tried to steal: connection, confidence, and hope.

To celebrate year one, the group took a joy-filled field trip to a safari car-park. For many, it was their very first time seeing lions, hippos, giraffes, and zebras! Between pool time, a lake boat ride, and lots of laughter, they paused to reflect: What changed in me? Where do I feel braver today? Those shared memories knit deeper trust and friendships, the kind of alive moments that quietly transform a community.

What's next? Survivor leadership. Members are beginning to plan, welcome, and guide activities, multiplying safety and support across Escuintla. Kids Alive will keep walking alongside with mentoring and family strengthening so survivors and their families can flourish and lead change. Joy, courage, hope, and wisdom are taking root, and a brighter future is growing, together.

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HAITI



OSCARLINE AND OSCARMENE'S Story

At six years old, twin sisters Oscarline and Oscarmene arrived at Kids Alive Haiti malnourished and with no prior schooling. They began preschool with Kids Alive, grew in our residential home, and advanced through grade 9, steady steps toward healing and hope.

In August 2023, they were reunited with family and moved in with their uncle; slowly, they began to find stability and confidence.

Now in their final year of high school, the sisters are dreaming forward with courage. Kids Alive continues to walk with them—providing counseling, food, transportation, and health support—so they can focus on learning and life. This holistic care in Haiti is education that heals lived out, day by day, through our programs. Hope is taking root, and the future is bright.



PERU

Mary grew up in Peru, carrying wounds of abandonment and abuse. One day, she found herself without work, food, or support. In the midst of that pain, she encountered Christian women who told her about God. She accepted Christ that Sunday, and God answered her prayers for a job when she met the founder of Kids Alive Peru. She discovered both a home for her daughter and a mission for her heart.

At El Oasis Center in Manchay—an “oasis” for vulnerable families—Mary has served as caregiver, teacher, and facilitator, walking with parents and teens through faith-rooted programs that restore relationships, strengthen homes, and protect children. Side by side with her daughter, Milagros, she helps create safe spaces where healing can begin, reflecting faith that heals with everyday practical support. “None of this would be possible without God,” she says.

The impact is pouring over generations. Former participants return as adults to say, “This place changed my life.” Mary now dreams of a specialized center for children recovering from sexual abuse, a place of dignity, safety, and renewed joy. Her story shows how God can take a life sown in love and multiply it into hope for Peru!



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