



Together, we're making a difference!

Love a Village

We are a grassroots organization dedicated to changing the face of extreme poverty. We are the voice for the voiceless, silenced by the chasm the grip of poverty has left them in. We exist to empower villagers, not through handouts, but by working together with local leaders, coming alongside them and assisting them to live independently.

Luhomero, Malawi

Luhomero is nestled in an isolated, low-lying mountain range with a population of over 5,000. As subsistence farmers, their survival depends on what they grow. They're determined people, who's lives are changing!

Follow my team!

Photos and updates will be posted during our trip!

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Jordan Kim

I am excited about this trip to Malawi with Love a Village. I look forward to learning on the ground and hope to gain a better perspective on the adversities that others face in developing countries. I have been blessed my entire life and take for granted the necessities of life such as food, clean water, shelter and education. I hope to experience first hand, the difficulties that the people of Malawi face, but also look forward to learning and celebrating their resilience and joy.

Outside of my academic life, I love sports. I play basketball, run track and field, and box. Each sport has helped to shape my life and I have learned many important lessons through my participation in sports. It has helped to instil in me some measure of discipline, teamwork and perseverance as well as the ability to focus and stay on task.



LAV Projects

LAV works to reduce poverty and promote independence by partnering with Malawians in:

- Clean Water - boreholes and water filters
- Safe Shelter - roofing
- Food Security - farming techniques, beehives, mushrooms and so much more
- Health & Hygiene - toilets, hygiene classes
- Focus on Girls - sewing and menstrual hygiene management

Support

Prayer is essential and is the single most important gift people can give me. Financial gifts are also needed in order to enable me to go and advance LAV projects in Lhomero.

Here's how you can help:
www.loveavillage.org/donate.

Receipts issued for donations over \$25

I was born in Evanston, Illinois and have lived in 5 different cities (Evanston, Atlanta, Seoul, Tokyo) in four different countries (USA, Republic of Korea, Japan and Canada). As I moved more than 13 times in my 17 years of life so far, I have come to realize the importance of connecting and relating well with people regardless of how brief or how long the duration of our interaction. At the end of the day, it is a relationship with others that most impacts our experience no matter the location. I hope that my trip with Love a Village will help to broaden my perspective on life and help me relate better with different people from diverse backgrounds.

I want to go on this trip to see Love a Village's amazing work firsthand. In church, I hear about the many things Julie and her teams have done in helping the people and I felt this need to go on the trip to help LAV and everything they've done. My goal is to soak in all the experiences of living with the people on the ground in Malawi and trust that God will use it to enrich and equip me in whatever lies ahead. For most of my life so far, I have benefited from all the advantages from living in an affluent and North American culture and although I am aware and thankful, I have not had much to compare this with as everyone else around me. Part of growing up and maturing is being aware of the privileges that I've been given and being responsible for those advantages. This is my first trip to a place like Malawi, and it will give me hands-on experience of the challenges and difficulties that the vast majority that the world faces.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and for your prayer and support.

I know that our team will have lots to offer and the people in Malawi will share the same!

