

IMPACTONE ALLIANCE NEWS

Serving those in need • Impacting one life at a time

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Dear Friends and Partners,

My last five months have been filled with reconstruction, recovery and rehab. As most of you are aware, I had bilateral (both legs) total knee replacement in June. I am now a bionic man filled with highly specialized metallic parts. Navigating through airport security points, as you might imagine, is a real blast. On a serious note, thanks so much for your prayers and deep concern — I feel so fortunate to be so cared for and loved.

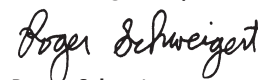
During my recent journey, I discovered that I was extremely naïve about what my “post-surgery reality” was going to be like. It has been much more difficult, challenging and long-lasting than anything I had imagined. I have also been surprised by how “knee replacement unaware” others

have been based on some of the questions I’ve received. Apparently some don’t realize there is a difference between the wide range of knee surgeries — arthroscopic surgery, an ACL repair and total replacement. I had one person ask me if I was back playing competitive sports yet. I don’t mean this to sound harsh, but clearly, they didn’t get it. I’m just now gaining my ability to navigate stairs again — no football games in my future, except as a spectator.

As I’ve been working on potential projects related to ImpactOne, I realized that I am still extremely naïve about the unthinkable circumstances of those we seek to serve, and I’ve noticed that the vast majority of others often don’t get it either. I/we have so much to learn and so much to do.

12.5% of those living in the Chicagoland area fall below the poverty line according to the US Census Bureau. Africa, a region we are committed to impacting, possesses 18 of the 20 countries with the highest number of deaths due to malaria (a preventable and treatable disease). 44% of Sub-Saharan Africans live on less than \$1 per day, and 5700 die each day from AIDS. No way am I willing to be a spectator in this game. Our God has given us a high calling and an ability to be used by Him to impact the world — one life at a time. Will you join me?

Partnering with you to impact the world,



Roger Schweigert
Founder and President

Q&A with Roger

Q I understand that ImpactOne Alliance is dedicated to working with the poor in Chicagoland, the US and Africa. Where are you finding the greatest opportunities right now?

A We’ve invested a lot of time this last year searching for where we can make our greatest impact in our first year or two as an organization. Although there are many in need in our own backyard, we have yet to find places where we can merge in with other compassionate organizations and make an outstanding contribution. I’m confident that these will unfold during the upcoming year. However, we have uncovered a number of extraordinary opportunities in Africa with some vibrant partners. We have been led to some highly-effective indigenous leaders already working in very challenging circumstances ready to make life-altering contributions to innumerable lives.

ImpactOne has opportunities to serve orphans, AIDS victims, the impoverished, the sick, the

lonely — to bring them aid and hope. We have doors opening to us in Zambia, Sudan, South Africa and Kenya — especially Kenya.

Q Things there look so desperate, how can you possibly make a difference?

A I hear this question regularly. For so many people here, the plight of Africa — the poverty, the sickness, the famines — seems so hopeless. Where do you start? We start by looking for places where our involvement and investments will have an exponential return. We start by impacting one life at a time, one family at a time, one community at a time. Our God is a God of hope, and transformation is not just a remote possibility but a likely outcome if we invest strategically with the right partners. We

can’t change a continent overnight, but we can change the future by changing the present. And we can resource and train individuals to help

themselves in the future.

Q What is a unique contribution that ImpactOne will be bringing to the table?

A Giving you an illustration from my own life might help you understand one portion/part of our contribution.

Horrific and startling images confront each of us daily through newspapers, televisions, and eyewitness accounts of those suffering from AIDS. You can do what I did for years — choose to ignore it all because it was too painful — or you can become disturbed — seriously, dangerously disturbed — so disturbed that you are compelled to do something.

~ Kay Warren, AIDS Activist and Wife of Rick Warren, for CNN

I subscribe to a few financial newsletters looking for expert counsel regarding what sectors and stocks to invest my savings in. Recently,

IMPACT FOCUS:

HEALTH ISSUES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA



	THE PROBLEM	HOW TO MAKE AN IMPACT
HIV/AIDS	<p>In Africa alone there are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.1 million HIV/AIDS related deaths; that's over 5750 per day • 2.8 million new infections; which means that over 7650 people are infected each day • 24.7 million people living with HIV/AIDS • 15.2 million AIDS orphans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support organizations training people in prevention of HIV transmission • Provide resources for groups caring for people living with HIV/AIDS • Empower caregivers of orphans, whether in community-based care programs or orphanages
MALARIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2004 there were over 200 million cases of malaria in Sub-Saharan Africa • Malaria kills more than twice as many children under the age of five as AIDS does • A child dies every 30 seconds due to malaria — 80% of these children lived in Africa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute insecticide treated bed nets to families with children under age five and pregnant mothers • Encourage and resource education on early recognition and treatment of malaria • Sponsor life-saving medicine for those with malaria
UNCLEAN WATER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 60% of people in 19 African countries have access to good clean water • Waterborne diseases are often diarrheic in nature, the third leading cause of death among children under age 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dig wells each providing 600 gallons of clean water per day for an area • Ensure that wells and boreholes are functioning properly, providing for repairs where needed

Q&A continued

one of my trusted advisors steered me towards companies that service the oil sector. In every single case, these were companies I had never heard of, and I had no idea of their powerful upside potential. One company that I made a small investment in is up over 50% since I bought in August. I wish I had invested more.

Just as those newsletters give me advice regarding investments, ImpactOne is resolute about bringing expert counsel to you regarding how to invest your time and resources in making a difference in the lives of those in need. Already, we are sensing clear guidance regarding some specific geographic areas to invest in along with specific indigenous leaders. I believe we will all soon be saying: "If I knew I would have seen this kind of return on my investment, I wish I would have invested more."

Q Roger, what role will you be playing with ImpactOne?

A I am the founder and president and will serve as the visionary and strategic leader, but only on a part-time basis. I will devote about 65-75% of my energies to consulting with churches, coaching pastors and their key leadership teams while serving ImpactOne with approximately 25-35% of my time. Other staff will serve along side of me with ImpactOne to make sure we make great advancements together — powerfully impacting the world one life at a time.

Q How can we help?

A I'm so glad you asked. Seriously, I get this question a lot, and I am thrilled to partner with friends here in the US and build alliances

with life-changing individuals and organizations on the other side of the globe. Together we can make an authentic, lasting difference. Please consider making a generous donation to ImpactOne. If we had \$200,000 come in here at year-end, we already know how we would invest it to get a great return on investment.

How can you help? At this time, make an investment that will last forever and change a community or two. As you consider your year-end giving and your desire to serve the poor, please keep ImpactOne in mind — give boldly, with confidence and a deep sense of satisfaction that you are impacting the world one life at a time.

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response card.**

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- Make a donation to help make an impact in the lives of those in need by returning the enclosed card or giving online
- Refer a friend or colleague who might be interested in the work of ImpactOne Alliance using the enclosed response card
- Visit our developing web site for more information.

ImpactOne Alliance is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to serve those in need, impacting one life at a time. Through partnerships we provide whole-person assistance with the goal of empowering those in need to sustain themselves, in physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual ways.

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