

HELPING **ALL** WE CAN...**ONE** AT A TIME.

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

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AAO Executive Director

In this season of reflection and counting blessings, I'm often overwhelmed when I think of the love and generosity of our supporters. **From those of you who've been with us since the beginning to our newer friends, All As One TRULY has such loyal and committed supporters.**

In October, **Philipp von Hammerstein, Isatu Funna** and their two daughters (some of the wonderful supporters to whom I was referring), were able to visit the Children's Center. They are pictured above with **Peter Ndemoina**, our Head School Teacher.

In an email, Philipp shared:

"Our visit to All As One school was great. Peter and all staff were very welcoming, happy to show us around and explained what you are doing in more detail. The children were so cute and polite, and very engaged in class. It is amazing what you all have done with what little is available."

There is still work to be done to make our school even better for our kids and those in the community, but receiving Philipp's sentiments filled me with joy.

For as many dedicated supporters as we are lucky enough to have, we are in need of more. I hate to say that, but it's just a fact. We do the best we can with what we receive, but, as this year comes to a close, we are essentially out of funds. **It's our hope that holiday gifts and year-end giving will balance things.**

➔ Please consider gifting what you're able, and sharing our need with your friends, coworkers, churches and families. AAO has made it through one of the toughest years in our history, with the forced eviction and subsequent move — something that couldn't have been done without all of you. And know that, even though I'm always having to ask for more, it doesn't overshadow our constant thankfulness and amazement for all you do!



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