



# GIVE THE GIFT OF MOBILITY, DIGNITY, AND OPPORTUNITY

## MAKER OF THE PET CART SINCE 1994.

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Serge is a new distribution partner. They have 250 missionaries in 16 countries that share the gospel and do mission work: medical, business development, etc. Here are the first reports from Rhett. Thanks to your support, he has wonderful stories to share. Enjoy!

Hello Von,

There is a newly formed church on the border with Democratic Republic of Congo (UG side). One of the Pastors is a friend of mine. The church became aware of 2 men who were unable to walk and could possibly benefit from an arm trike. The members of the church contributed money to pay for transportation for these men and assembly of the bikes. There is a local man I worked with on assembling the bikes. He gets some money for assembling the bike (~\$4). This is a way for him to have some income and the person getting the bike (and/or their family and friends) to make some small personal investment in the bike. The men were:



Jonas, a 40 year old polio survivor with a wife and 4 children.  
(His legs are paralyzed and contracted.)



Bartolomayo, a 50 year old cancer survivor who had bilateral  
above knee amputations in 2012.

The church sent about 8 women and 5 men (3 pastors) to support and accompany the men. We met them at the church/community center built by our mission many years ago. We fit them both in the church then moved down onto a slab where they could practice. It wasn't long before the women were singing...they requested a drum and we got one from my house and another 2 from the church. They sang several worship songs in Swahili. I was then able to share a gospel message with the men and all those that came from the church and those that had gathered to observe.

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Another pastor from the church also shared a message. Rains came and we had to rush back into the church...and it was a torrential downpour!

### We decided to worship some more!

What I had planned for a 2 hour window turned into a 4 plus hour affair, but it was so fun and such a blessing to be a part of something that will make such a positive impact on these guys!



This is Mbarak (left photo). He is a Muslim man in his late twenties. He is a vendor in his local village market. His wife died in child birth (child too) 4 years ago...leaving him to care for his other child. He has been wanting an arm trike for a while.

We shared a gospel message with him at delivery. He was grateful to receive the gift and invited me to come to his home. I haven't followed up yet, but plan to.

We delivered to a Muslim man who lives in the local mosque (right image). He is mute and deaf. He is a cobbler and had been motioning for an arm bike since I arrived over 2 years ago. It caused quite a stir and a huge crowd.

He was cheered and followed in the market by a large group. He was so proud and happy to receive a PET trike. We wound up trying to share an audio-visual gospel message right in front of the mosque he lives in. It was a bit intimidating, but again a blessing to be a part of.



RHETT WHEELER, WHM

## STROKE SURVIVOR RECEIVES MOBILITY

### HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEND ANOTHER CART TO THAILAND?

Dear Mr. Driggs:

Enclosed is a photo taken just yesterday October 15 where we presented a Mobility cart to a recent stroke survivor who is partially paralyzed. Warm regards to all.

DONALD WILLCOX, FOUNDATION TO ENCOURAGE POTENTIAL OF DISABLED PERSONS IN THAILAND





# GARY'S COLUMN:

## "TIS THE SEASON FOR GIVING"

Mobility Worldwide in Columbia has been truly blessed with regular donations in 2016. This allows our volunteers to build each week 32 mobility carts. Think about this, 32 carts at \$300 each, means a weekly income needed of \$9,600!! WOW!! We say THANK YOU to all our donors. Each week 32 persons are truly given a hand up for a better life.

### No wonder a cart makes them smile.

Giving season is here. How can you support us? CoMoGives Campaign is online giving during the month of December for our county non-profits. Giving Tuesday is earlier this year, November 29. All online gifts thru our Advance Special 982665 are 100 % to our project; they cover the charge card expense. Talk about your legacy with your family during this season. Include Mobility Worldwide Missouri - Columbia as a percentage of your estate (PET MO – Columbia, Inc. still works). See more details and web addresses in the article on Ways to Give.

Give to us on a regular monthly giving program by enrolling online through our website's donate button or fill out the auto debit form to give from your checking. Buying online? Use Amazon Smile and Good Search. Thrivent Choice Dollars is through your insurance program. Plan on Mobility as your mission focus for next summer's Vacation Bible School Program. Help us with a grant from your local service club; Rotary and Lions are major supporters.

Take a trip with us in 2017 to give carts away. Trips are now being planned to Guatemala: over Spring Break, June 17-23, and another one in July or Côte d'Ivoire in June. Call us to find out details.

Finally we still accept hand written checks. The majority of our income is received this way.

As you plan on your Holiday giving, remember that 70 million persons are struggling to move around daily around the world. God calls us to Help. How can you?

**- GARY MOREAU, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



Gary Moreau, Executive Director, hands Charley Christy a volunteer appreciation plaque.

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: 90TH BIRTHDAY AND RETIREMENT PARTY

How would you like to contribute your skills and care like Charley?

Charley Christy first came by the shop in September 2000 about 7 months after we rented the first building. He wanted to check us out and possibly volunteer. Charley was one of our first Board Trustees in the Class of 2007. He also regularly gave his time at the shop. He came up with ideas to improve the function of the shop and installed them. He brought others to join in the mission work of mobility.

Refreshments were had along with visiting and shared thoughts about his service. The icing on the cake is his cheerful personality. Charley, thank you for 16 years of service!! We'll see you around.

Sincerely, Board and Staff



# MEL'S COLUMN:

## “HOW DO YOU DECIDE TO GIVE TO CHARITIES?”

It will soon be time for the “end of year” giving. A friend last month asked me this question. “What would you recommend? Should I send \$50 to each of 20 charities, or \$20 to each of 50 charities?”

My advice was to do neither. Cut it down to a minimum of four, with \$250 going to each. My advice to all is:

1. Determine what is your passion. What need, what purpose, touches your heartstrings most passionately? It might be hungry children, or the blind, or Parkinsons, or veterans, or any one of hundreds of such needs. What is your passion?
2. Search on the web and ask around, who does a good job of meeting those particular needs? Go to their website and check them out. Get their charity record. What percent actually goes to the program. Although groups like GuideStar.org will suggest you not solely look at admin cost/% as there can be appropriate circumstance like a smaller budget/income, etc. that cause the admin number to seem high. How much is the CEO paid?
3. When you pick one that looks good send them a nice donation, and see what response you get.
4. If that looks good, go to see some of their work, if you can. Go to a board meeting, if you can. For example, if it is the Salvation Army, go visit their work. Dig deeper, and see what else you can do. Volunteer. Grow into the mission. Become more than a check. **BECOME PERSONALLY INVOLVED.** You will be glad you did!

If your passion is leg-handicapped persons then Mobility Worldwide/PET is one mission of interest. Our thank-you letters include vivid and personal stories of how the mobility carts help individuals and their families and communities. Our percent of money given that goes for program is very high (see link to our 2015 annual report at our website). We welcome visits to our shop. Donors can go overseas and help distribute; contact us. We are always seeking volunteers.

<http://mobilityworldwide.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/AnnualReport2015.pdf>

My advice is, “Do not ‘shot-gun’ your giving. Focus it for efficiency and personal satisfaction.”

**- MEL WEST, DIRECTOR EMERITUS**



**“There is no greater joy in life than giving to a worthy cause.”**  
**-Ted Turner**

## GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY:

We appreciate all the donors and families who have chosen PET to honor or remember someone. These gifts will be put to good use building and shipping mobility to others in need.

- Donna Hofmeister by Elaine Thompson, Warren Zahler, Austin & Tammie Keith, Warren & Jeannene Likins, Gordon Radley, Joyce Smith
- Tom La Hue by Barbara Phillips, Nancy Dreier, Fred & Ann Binggeli, Bette Rudel, Elaine Thompson, Sarah Wells-Morgan
- Dallas S. Cone, Jr. by Converse B. Cone, David Sawyer, and Men on Missions
- Emery Munson & Jo Ellen Nitzan by Dorothy Appelgate
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- Whitney Hicks by Stanley Goodwin
- Gilbert C. Felling by Mark Felling
- Robert Paltison by Kathy Williams
- Granddaughter by Shirlee Poore
- Harold Wilson by John & Janet Scherer
- Zack Stidmon by Catherine O'Brien
- Henry Kues by Amy Dunaway
- Jim Vest by Margaret Tyler

## GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR:

- Suzanne Paulter by Xi Nu Rho Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi
- Uncle Sid & Aunt June Powell by Deborah Ann Sanders
- Lisa Korreect & Catherine Korreect by Jeanette Korreect
- John M. Henrichs' birthday by Margaret Henrichs
- Janell Klingenberg's birthday by Frieda Thomas
- Anne Miller's birthday by Elaine Thompson
- Earl Miner (PET designer) by his six sisters
- Earl and Leona Miner by Kathleen Miner
- George Hackett by Harlan Hackett
- Jon Mayhercy by Joan Dieckmann
- Dr. David Hilton by J. Paul Jones
- Chris Houser by Ron Houser
- Diana Rudloff by Kim Rudloff
- Mel West by Earl & Jean Cecil
- The Wests by Martin West

# 12 WAYS TO SUPPORT MOBILITY WORLDWIDE MO - COLUMBIA THIS DECEMBER

1. Donate through the button at [www.giftofmobility.org](http://www.giftofmobility.org)
2. Give to our UMC Advance Special 982665 and give credit to your Methodist church – 100%.
3. Support MW online through Community Foundation of Central Missouri: [www.comogives.com](http://www.comogives.com).
4. Use Smile Amazon when shopping online: 0.5% goes to MW on eligible items: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-5640563>.
5. Search online with GoodSearch instead of Google, each website visited shares a penny to MW. Add GoodSearch to your web browser toolbar so it is handy.
6. Designating PET through Thrivent Financial Services 515873317 and cause a regular donation.
7. Give a cart in honor of your children or friend this Christmas.
8. Leave a Legacy in your will so that a percentage of your estate goes to MW MO - Columbia.
9. Check at work for a matching corporate gift to PET.
10. Ask your club or group to give a cart and change a life.
11. Transfer your stock gift to our brokerage account.
12. Sign up for monthly auto donations online using your charge card or through your checking account and join 14 other families. (Changes can be made online.)

## MOBILITY CART DONATION SLIP

Yes! I want to give the GIFT OF MOBILITY to a person whose legs do not function.

My check is enclosed for:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ PET's at \$300.00 each.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ toward the purchase of a Mobility Cart.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to PET MO– Columbia and mail to: 1908 Heriford Road, Columbia, MO 65202  
Tel: 573-886-7877

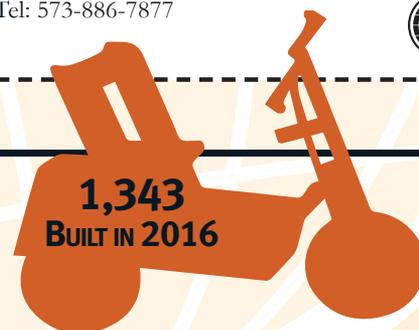


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**Our mission:** Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia’s mission is to provide appropriate mobility for all of God’s children in need. We seek to provide mobility first for those in greatest need and with the least resources in poor or underdeveloped countries.



## SANTA VISITS THE SHOP AND HELPS OUT!

Mobility Worldwide MO - Columbia received an early visit from the North Pole. Santa is checking his list to determine which cart your family provided this year. While here, he gave a hand with the drill press. Help Santa deliver more carts in December. With your help we are on track to build 1,664 carts (PETs) in 2016.

**Donate now and your gift goes TWICE as far.**

Our Holiday MATCH program will match any donation up to \$30,000. Give any amount, but \$300 will build and deliver 2 PET carts and offer a new life, new opportunity to the recipients.