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Dear Friends,

On April 15th, 2012, six individuals will depart on this year's only AIDS-related trip to Africa through the CRWRC's Global Volunteer Discovery Tour program. The 2012 **HIV and AIDS Tour to Uganda and Kenya** is a popular, hope-filled, life-changing opportunity to put a face on the people behind those overwhelming pandemic statistics-and encounter Africa's breathtaking beauty for yourself.

Through many HIV and AIDS programs, CRWRC has worked to stop the spread of HIV and AIDS in dozens of countries around the world. By partnering with churches and Christian community organizations to "embrace AIDS," CRWRC is making a real difference in the lives of people living with the disease, those they love, and their communities.

In Uganda and Kenya CRWRC continues its work to meet the 6th Millennium Development Goal; to combat HIV and AIDS, malaria and other diseases throughout the world. CRWRC is reaching out to people with teen abstinence and behavior education, women's leadership training, information about reproductive health, HIV testing, palliative care, counseling, and respite and orphan care. It's a great work-and you can be part of it!

On this year's journey, we will be joined by staff representatives from the partners that will be hosting the tour. These partner staff will provide additional insight from their experiences and contribute their impressions and thoughts as they visit the sites of colleagues in the fight against HIV and AIDS.

We are extending a personal invitation to you to prayerfully consider joining the 2012 HIV and AIDS Tour to Uganda and Kenya. Please take note of the application form and welcome letter that you can duplicate as needed. A brochure will be posted on the website soon with more information and details.

To join us on this exciting journey into the "heart" of Africa, review the enclosures, complete the application, and return it to either Iona or Mary in the enclosed envelope. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our office in the U.S. at 616-241-1691 or 1-800-552-7972. In Canada, call 1-905-336-2920 or 1-800-730-3490.

Learning in Service with you,

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Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:1-2)

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