**Recent Highlight**

With 2017 on the horizon, the holiday season offers a moment to reflect on the impact of your generous and enthusiastic support which has allowed IFA to finish the year successfully. We are delighted to share a few recent highlights.

* We are now serving 500 vulnerable school children with two nutritious meals per school day
* Have beautifully furnished the dining room at Hana Primary to the delight of the students and the teachers – have a look at the before and after picture:



**Celebrating IFA’s Supporters and Partners**

We could not do this without our incredibly generous supporters and funders, who have donated their time and money so that the mission of ensuring the well-being of vulnerable children in Ethiopia becomes a reality as we renew our efforts to reach 1000 children. This is worth celebrating!

We have won grants to launch a vocational training project for 8th school drop-outs, another to expand the capacity of the bakeries (which will soon become operational) to produce injera – the much loved, traditional bread made of “teff “, a supper grain. We have the funds now to build adequate handwashing facilities for two of our schools …. many more exciting projects are being launched in 2017!

**We End 2016 by Sharing some of the saying that have inspired us:**

"Children are our most valuable resource."

 — Herbert Hoover, 31st President of the United States

"Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see."

 — John F. Kennedy, 35th President of the United States

"There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children."
  — Nelson Mandela, Former President of South Africa

"Children are likely to live up to what you believe of them."
  — Lady Bird Johnson, Former First Lady of the United States

"When I approach a child, he inspires in me two sentiments — tenderness for what he is and respect for what he may become."
  — Louis Pasteur, French chemist and microbiologist

"I continue to believe that if children are given the necessary tools to succeed, they will succeed beyond their wildest dreams!"
  — David Vitter, U.S. senator

“School feeding not only fills stomachs, but has a proven track record of boosting enrollment, attendance and academic performance. For just pennies a day per child, this program changes lives – and ultimately can impact the futures of poor countries around the world in a profound way.”
-- Drew Barrymore – 1975 WFP Ambassador

**As we send you our warm wishes for a joyous holiday season and a wonderful New Year we ask if you will be willing to make a special year-end donation of $50, $100 or whatever you can afford - to change lives**

