



## New hope and new horizons with Wheels in Nigeria



Trevor asks: 'Are we hungry for God?'



News of Disability Awareness Sunday 2024



Luke 5 award for Parish Nurse



A Wheels wedding

Horizons changed and new hope was kindled for many local disabled people in Lagos and in Delta State, Nigeria, when they were given mobility equipment by Through the Roof.

Tarela Aghanti, our local partner in Nigeria, led a Wheels for the World supported distribution to give the gift of freedom to disabled people who need a wheelchair or mobility aid but do not have access to one.

Through the Roof partnered with the charity Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation Nigeria (OIFN) whose therapists fitted local disabled people with the equipment, which had been refurbished in our UK Wheels for the World warehouse.

Over 200 mobility aids and 140 wheelchairs were distributed, along with 250 Bibles. Our UK team of therapists and techies were available online to support the remote distribution.

Many of the disabled people had never had a wheelchair before, or were using old or broken equipment. Here are just two stories of lives transformed by the mission.

### Meet Adeola

Adeola has Cerebral Palsy. His family realised he was physically disabled at 2 years old. He is now 8 years old. He can't move on his own, or talk, and he can't chew food – so he is totally dependent on his family's care. For many years, his Mum, Blessing, has been unable to go out, as Adeola needs constant care.

Blessing could not afford a wheelchair, but now she has been given one through our Wheels for the World programme, as a gift from God! She is so happy and grateful. With the wheelchair, it will be much easier for Adeola to move around and for Blessing to do her household chores.

Adeola has been given freedom – he can go out, meet people, see places and learn new things. His life horizons have expanded! His Mum Blessing thanks God and the charities



that have provided the wheelchair – Through the Roof and our local partners OIFN. It has brought a huge smile to Adeola's face!

### Meet Janet

Janet is a 17-year-old and was born with Cerebral Palsy. Her parents have been doing their best to support her and give her opportunities. She once attended Atunda Olu school (a special school) but her family had to move from the area. Since then, Janet has not been able to attend any school, because she does not have access to mainstream schools.

She is a bright child and her family say that she is always happy. They have supported her to feel better and have self-esteem. Janet and her family are so pleased to be given a new, balanced wheelchair from Through the Roof. Janet was so very glad to receive it! Her parents were overjoyed:

"I want to say thank you for giving Janet a very good wheelchair yesterday. A new start and a great improvement will begin from there ...thank you so much. God bless you and uplift you all in Jesus' name. Amen."

