

October 27, 2012

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your prayers during the past two years. God has taught me so much about grief, forgiveness, pain, healing and patience. I am so thankful for the lessons I have learned and for the peace, clarity, and vision God has restored to my life.

God planted a seed in my heart to set up a company to provide free medical and dental care to the poor in Appalachia – especially to children in West Virginia, where I was born. Family and friends have supported this vision and have encouraged me to follow God's calling to do this ministry.

On June 19, 2012, a company called "Just Compassion" was created and became incorporated by the Commonwealth of Virginia. On June 23, 2012, Just Compassion held its first board of directors meeting. The board includes a retired missionary, an attorney, a paralegal, a retired dental school employee, a legislative audit analyst, a CPA, and a marketing executive – all of whom are Christians who have passionate hearts for helping the poor.

Today we received approval from the IRS as a 501(c)(3) public charity! Our goal now is to raise funds to purchase our first mobile unit, which will go into areas of Appalachia in 2013. If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution, you may send your check payable to "Just Compassion, Inc." to 3000 Scarsborough Drive, Richmond, VA 23235.

If you would like to see a picture of the mobile unit we plan to purchase, please go to www.justcompassion.org. We hope that you will prayerfully consider helping to make this God-given vision come to life!

Sincerely,

The Rev. Dr. Joy Cooper Heaton