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Studio discussion:

RANDY: Welcome to Life Today. I'm Randy Robison. Tammy Trent is with me.

TAMMY: Hello.

RANDY: It's good to see you.

TAMMY: It's good to be back.

RANDY: You know, it's good to see you, because we're bringing something to you today that is heavy, but there's also some joy in it. But more importantly, it's very important. It is critical that you hang with us today because there's a situation going on right now where lives are at stake, and you can actually do something about it.

Tammy, I know you've seen both sides of this. You've seen the heartache, the difficult images, but also the joy, and really just the ability to do something, all of us.

TAMMY: It's an interesting place to be, Randy, holding that tension in your hands where you're weeping one moment because you're watching a child die because of the lack of food, and then at the second time, you can turn a corner and seeing how a child is thriving because of what they're being provided. It's a really tough place to be.

But today, I feel hopeful bringing these stories to you and asking you to come alongside us. It gives me great hope inside to know that there's something that we can do as long as we do something.

RANDY: Well, we know this because we've done it for so many years. We've only done it with the support of many of you. Many of you who may be seeing this for the first time, I want you to see how you can have an impact to save a child's life. I know that sounds like a big claim, but I've been there, Tammy's been there, our mission partners have been there on the ground for years. We know how to do this. We know how to go into a desperate, emergency situation and turn things around. It takes time, and it takes commitment, but it does work.

What you need to know is that right now we are in one of those rare emergency, desperate situations because of a lot of things. You've got some regional things, a drought in one case in particular. You do have conflict that has caused some displacement, some disruption of both people and food supplies. And then you've got a global situation where the food supply has been disrupted.

I can tell you the solution and the solution is you and I, together with our mission partners that are still on the ground there. They're not going anywhere. They're committed in deep and beautiful ways. And with *LIFE Outreach* International, and I can tell you, my parents, when they started this program decades ago, they've never wavered. They've been committed to it. Then with others, Tammy has been a key part of that. She has been committed to it. But most of all, you, the viewer, those of you who have and will continue, and maybe, begin to step up and say, I want to be a solution to this problem.

So, Tammy, I, again, that tension in between, serious problem but very real solution.

TAMMY: That's right. I love the honor you give to your parents, and the vision that they have, and have had for many years, and that we get to be a part of it. And then to bring it to you. It's a part of your vision now, too. Here's the vision, we've laid it out, and now you get to be a part of it. And I'm glad that you're here today to watch this special, special show on feeding the children around the world.

Transition roll-in: [Signs of Malnutrition Everywhere]

Studio appeal:

RANDY: I love the work that's being done there, and in so many other clinics like that. But when you saw the image of that white material being lowered into a grave, that was a child who was brought to that clinic who died at that clinic. That's how fine a line there is between life and death in a place like South Sudan, and in some of the other places we work like Angola, many others across mainly sub-Saharan Africa. It's a fine line between life and death.

That's why your involvement is significant and really urgent right now, because there are so many children right on that fine line. The difference between life and death literally is our involvement, our willingness to step up and say, I'll be a part of mission feeding. \$30 doesn't seem like much when you think that it will feed three children for the next several months, but the reality is that it does. But yet, some of you could do so much more. You could feed 100 children for the next several months with a gift of \$1,000. The point is that there is a child in need right now, and we're asking you to do something about it.

Tammy, there's nothing worse than losing a child out there on the field like that. I know you've been there, too. I've seen it too many times. That's why it's heavy on my heart. And that's why I'm committed to doing this. And that's why I don't mind asking you to help, too.

TAMMY: I don't either, Randy. I will never mind asking somebody to help us. Isak said it. We have to intervene. We have to. The Bible instructs us to help those in need. These people are desperate. These little babies are dying because they don't have food. I just can't imagine being their mother sitting there. I kind of try to put myself in their shoes when I'm in those places and just sitting with those babies the way Isak describes them, literally slowly dying. But I also have been in places where I have seen the food begin to take hold in their little bodies, and I've watched them coming back to life again.

It is possible to reach these children right now, with your help and with my help. We have to do something because they are literally dying right now. Every second counts. Every minute matters. I'm not going to waste any more time, but I have to be able to tell you the urgency of it

right now. These are real lives. These are real stories. I've gotten the privilege of going through some of the hardest trips I ever take walking into a malnutrition clinic, child after child, baby after baby, mom after mom, clinging to hope.

Watch this and you'll see what I'm talking about.

Transition roll-in: [Good Days, Bad Days]

Tammy: The things that I've seen, the things that I've gotten to experience have been emotional. There's been some good days and there's been some bad days.

My favorite days are when I get to go into a village and serve the children, especially when I get to sit down and feed them a bowl of food that they get every day. What an incredible moment that really is knowing that in that place and in that moment, I'm privileged to be a part of bringing them life through a bowl of food.

Then you get in the car the next day and you travel hours to get to a clinic like this only to sit in a place like this and to watch this precious little girl fight for her life because she doesn't have that one bowl of food every day. Her body is shutting down. She is dying. I wonder how long she has to live. I think if she was in a village where there was a feeding program set up, how her life would be so very different.

I've seen the power in just one bowl of food. Something so incredibly simple that brings life to so many hundreds of thousands of children!

It's hard to watch any child die knowing that there's something we can do to help prevent that death!

Studio appeal:

TAMMY: That will always be the hardest thing for me to do on any mission trip I take with *LIFE Outreach*, is to watch a mother bury a child or to watch a little one struggling to breathe, taking their last breath. I have been in rooms like that where I have prayed over a little baby that was dying, praying that somehow God would resurrect that little body. The joy for me in a trip like that is when I am standing outside or sitting outside of a village, and I've got that big pot of porridge or soup that's filled with nutrition, and I see this long line of children that are waiting to greet me with a bowl, and I get to dip in and I get to fill that bowl. I'm telling you, every time I pass that bowl back to that little one I just keep thinking that this day you get to live. This day you get to live.

I cannot thank you enough. I cannot thank you enough. Thank you will never be enough for all that you give and all that you do. I am so grateful for it. I see it with my own eyes changing lives. I see these children, these villages, beginning to thrive because of it. I can't thank you enough. I can't also remind you enough of how important it is to stay involved, to get involved with this ministry. We will do what we say we will do. I have been doing mission work for over 16 years with *LIFE Outreach*, and I'm telling you, I have never not seen them do what they say they'll do. In fact, if there's something that comes out of our mouth that is inaccurate, we will pull back. We are committed to these families. We are committed to these children. We are committed to these villages. And I'm telling you right now, it is simple. It is so simple to fill this bowl every single day.

You want to know what that looks like? I'm going to tell you, You've heard it maybe before, but listen, in this time, because you will not believe how simple it is to save a child's life, and many of them for \$30, you will save right now, three children in that line. For \$50 you will save five children. For \$100 you will save ten children. For \$1,000, if you can do that, if you can part with that today, you will save a hundred children's lives for many months to come. I can't think of a better place to put my resources than to saving the life of a child and a family, not just for today, but for tomorrow and the next and the next and the next. Helping them build a better future for today.

Randy, I love that you've been there with me too. You've seen it all. We know that it works.

RANDY: We do. There is a phrase that Isak used earlier and you touched on it. Today, you get to eat, which means today, you get to live. That's why mission feeding is an ongoing outreach. And that's why it's so important that we have ongoing support.

Now, I've got to tell you, it's a wonderful thing to go back and see so many of these children who have grown up to become teachers, to become lawyers or mayors, to become doctors and nurses or farmers, whatever they're doing. They're contributing. They're self-sustaining. But there is a generation right now in places where crisis has hit and the crisis has hit hard. We need to say, today you will live. Will you say that to that child? Will you go online or go to the phone and make the best gift that you can? When you do, when you fill that bowl with that life-giving soup mix, you are saying, Today you live. Here at *LIFE Outreach* it's always said like this, Today, we give you life in Jesus' name. So please do that now.

FMF Cause spot 2025:

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Transition roll-in: [Depleted Resources]

ANNOUNCER: In villages across Africa, the harvest that once sustained families are vanishing. Fields lie barren and food supplies have all but disappeared. For mothers, the cost is devastating. Malnutrition is setting in, robbing their children of the strength and hope they need to survive. They are left with only one choice, walk long distances to a malnutrition clinic like this, clinging to the hope that someone can help their child survive.

ISAK: This is the picture of crisis, mother after mother here in a screening clinic for malnutrition. You can see how overcrowded it is. Mothers have come here in absolute desperation. Crisis is when there's more mothers than we can handle. Crisis is when there's not enough food for each and every child. Crisis is when the silent killer of malnutrition comes in and starts to literally rob the lives of each and every one of these children.

ANNOUNCER: Now, nearly two years later, at this very same clinic where mothers were once offered a lifeline, hope is fading due to critically depleted food and medical resources.

ISAK: The reality is that there isn't food in the warehouses here, which means there isn't food to distribute to mothers who bring the malnourished children. And so today, the absence of those mothers, and the deafening silence of not a single child here is literally terrifying. Terrifying because it means those mothers are left in their villages without the help that they so desperately need. It means those children that normally would be measured here, and given the nutrition that will save their life, are left to fight on their own.

Studio appeal:

RANDY: Today is the day where we tell them you're not on your own. We need to get the supplies back in the systems, in the clinics, in the villages. We've seen it work. We know it works, but it only works when we get the supplies to those who are in desperate need. And right now, so many are in desperate need.

Your \$30 will help feed three children for the next several months. \$50 will feed five children. \$100 will feed ten children. \$1,000 will feed 100 children. Look, the point is that child that's in desperate need right now. We need to be there for that child. It's hard to be in a clinic that is packed out with desperate mothers and starving children. But it's better than the alternative, which is no food, no medicine, no one to care for.

The silence is deafening, and it's calling us into action today. Tammy, it's a very, very serious situation right now.

TAMMY: It is. Randy, the thing that I feel when I watch a piece like that is how scared these mothers must feel. That clinic, when they go there and they bring their child there, it's offering hope to them in the moment. They know, and I've seen it where they have been so far out, and they have traveled hours, sometimes days, to get their child to a clinic. So it offers them hope. But I've even seen them in the clinic being so scared, like, what is this going to help? Is it going to turn my child around? They're so protective of that little one that's laying in that little bed fighting for life. So I think right now about these mothers. My thought is on them. If they know that look, it doesn't matter how far I travel, if I even get to that clinic, there is no food, there is no medical care. So I am now in a very hopeless place. I have nowhere to go. There is no food. There is no solution. There will never be a solution for these mothers and these children unless - unless we go in there, we make a way. Look, we're all ready. Our missionaries are on the ground. They're ready to go, but they need the resources. So we have got to do something today. It's depleted. It's urgent. You wouldn't believe the scene if we sent you there personally. I'm telling you right now, you would write a check. Father, what do I do to help this family right now? And that's what we're asking you. I know that seems extreme to say that, but I'm literally asking, would you consider writing a check today and giving to *LIFE Outreach* to change the life of a child right now that needs it desperately? A mother that needs to know that when I

travel there tomorrow, there will be food, there will be medical need and care for my child. That's how serious it is.

RANDY: Tammy, you said a word you said, “Hopeless.” That, unfortunately, is how so many people feel. A hopeless place is a spiritually dark place. And we, you and I, followers of Christ, he called us the light of the world because we reflect his light. Let's bring light into this dark situation, this spiritually hopeless situation. Let's be their hope. You do that by joining with us right now. Go to the phone, go online, make the best gift you can.

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Field appeal:

JOHN: More than 200,000 children on the continent of Africa will die this month without our help. In less time than it takes for me to explain this to you, five children have died. One every 20 seconds. I want you to bring that massive number down. We have to step in and make sure that that 20 seconds is filled with life, nutrition, help, and hope, and we can do that together.

ISAK: And that's why we come to you with the urgency that we do. We don't come to you with an urgency because we have the luxury of time. We don't have the luxury of time. If you'll give that gift today, if you'll get online or you'll dial that number on your screen, what you're doing by giving that gift is you're winding back the clock 20 seconds. Then every 20 seconds is a life saved. Please do it today. Dial that number or get online and give that gift. Give as many 20 seconds as you can give. Give the gift of life as many times as you can give.

Studio goodbye:

RANDY: As we close out the year, I hope if you're considering a year-end gift and haven't made it, please do that because this is the last day we will be on the air with Mission Feeding. But more importantly, will you come alongside us? Will you fill an empty bowl? Will you help save the life of a child? Tammy, I'm so thankful for everyone that makes this possible.

TAMMY: Me too! I so hope that you've heard our heart and you see the need and you respond today. God bless you so much! We're thankful for you. We'll see you next time!

RANDY: Happy New Year!