

## **NEWSLETTER FOR THE MONTH APRIL 2025**

### **Pre-school and sponsorship program**

#### **HCE shares the burden of families**

HCE-RDA distributed a holiday gift to the families of Entoto Kindergarten children. Fifty-five parents were provided with edible oil and wheat flour for the Easter holidays. HCE-RDA has handed over gifts for all Ethiopian festivals in order to share the pressure and convey love and concern for their children whose families have faced adversity. Parents have also expressed sincere appreciation for the provision. They also stated that it meant a lot to them because the price of commodities is currently increasing at an alarming rate, making it impossible for them to have this provision.

#### **The story of Kassanesh Taleme**

I am Kassanesh Taleme. I am thirty-five years old. I have three girls and two sons. I live with my husband and our children. My husband is blind and earns money by begging. I thought myself as one of the fortunate individuals because of the opportunity I had at Entoto Hope Kindergarten for my twin, a daughter and a son. God has given us a twin, but we are too poor to send our children to kindergarten. Their names are Rediet and Bereket Dagne, and they are four years old.

They were given the opportunity this year, and we are grateful because it was a strain for us to send them to school before. The school community noticed our living situation and the location where we reside and provided this opportunity to our twins. Because my husband does not earn enough money, I sell candles while moving from church to church. We helped one another get out of the potentially fatal situations. I am overjoyed with the opportunity to spend time around and sell candles. What shall we say? We sincerely appreciate the organization's attempts to provide educational help to children. We do not have words to express our feeling we have towards the organization. The kindergarten provides an opportunity for many more children who would not have been able to attend pre-school as a result of poverty.



**Sharing of holiday resources for the families of children enrolled in the kindergarten**



***Kassanesh Taleme with her twins at the kindergarten***