## Annual Benefit for Schools of Africa put on by the SF Bay Area Chapter of WFWP

Patricia Fleischman November 9, 2019



More than 50 people gathered at the beautiful LeRoy home in Oakland on November 9th for the 17th Annual Benefit for the Schools of Africa put on by the SF Bay Area Chapter of WFWP.

The program opened with a video about the international activities of WFWP followed by beautiful violin music by Misha-elle Hammer. Our main speaker, Pastor Susan Chigwada grew up in Rhodesia/Zimbabwe. She shared about the state of the education system as she was growing up and in the present. We could understand more about the challenges that African children face in trying to get a good education. Afterwards, using a PowerPoint, WFWP Chairwoman Pat Fleischman gave an update on the 9 schools supported by the Schools of Africa Project. Learning more about the situation of the schools helped everyone feel more connected to the project. Our friend Pope Flyn from Ghana was back again to play African drums and music, which had some people dancing and everyone else tapping hands and feet. The atmosphere was joyful as we shared delicious refreshments and did our Raffle drawing. It was a beautiful afternoon.

One person expressed that she was so happy to be more informed about the schools and therefore, to feel more connected to them. Another guest expressed that she really enjoyed getting to know many wonderful women who were present.

