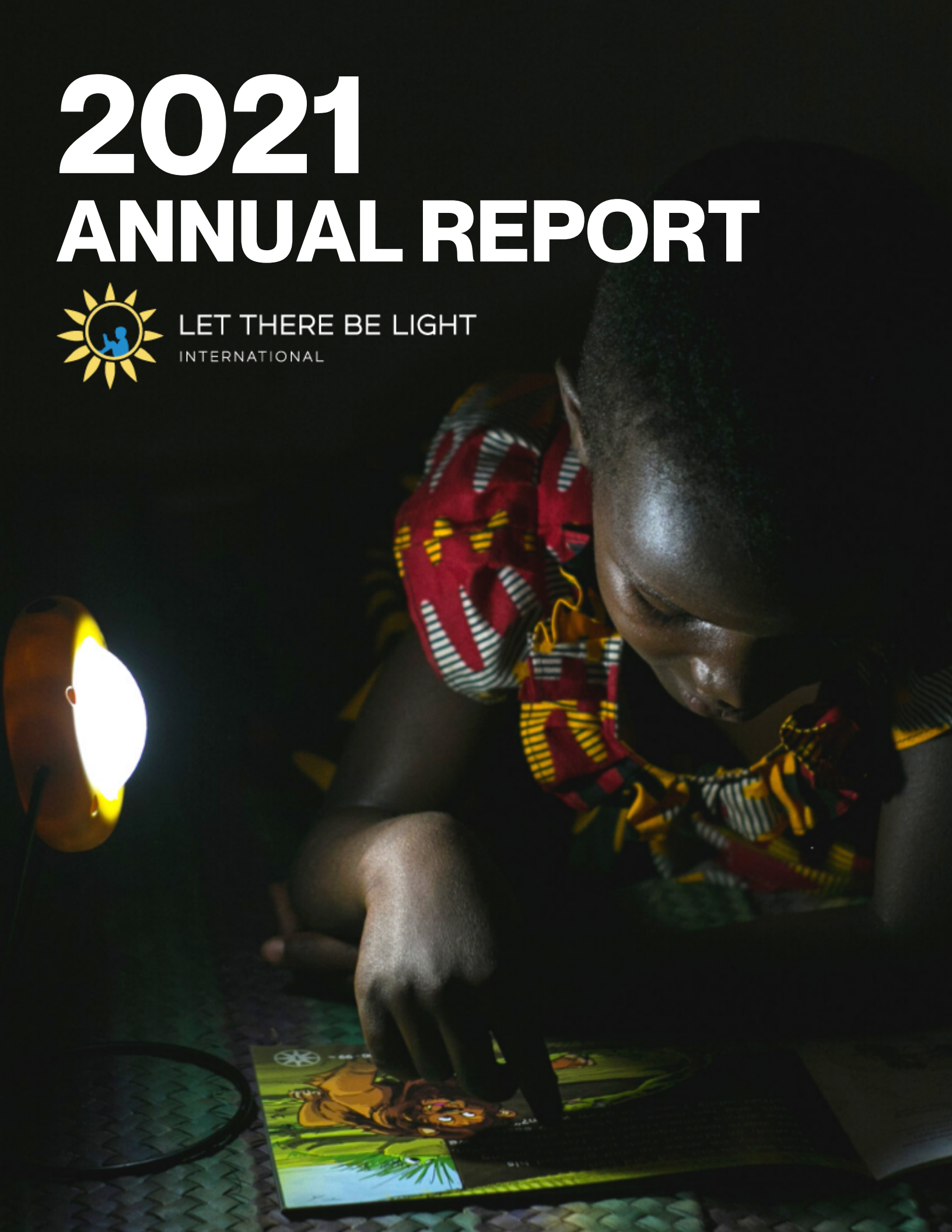


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LET THERE BE LIGHT
INTERNATIONAL





Dear Friends and Partners,

Together we're brightening lives around the world, contributing to reductions in extreme poverty, illness, and pollution from dirty and dangerous kerosene and candles.

Over the past 7 years, Let There Be Light International (LTBLI) has implemented 204 solar projects in Uganda, Kenya and Malawi. More than **900,000 people have benefitted from LTBLI's solar programming**. Notable projects include a maternal and infant health program (Safe Births + Healthy Homes) and a solar literacy project (Lights 4 Literacy).

Despite the complications of running an international nonprofit during a global pandemic, we continue to partner with 10 grassroots organizations as we donate solar lights to vulnerable families, solar-electrify health clinics, and participate (alas, virtually) in global health conferences. Thanks to your ongoing generosity and support, LTBLI is recognized as a leader in energy safety-net programming. We are a proud signatory to the Paris Accord and are excited to have our [Energy Compact](#) included on the [UN Energy website](#).

When we began LTBLI, there were few organizations focused on renewable energy programs for the extreme poor. In fact, most energy projects relied on market-based approaches like loans or pay-as-you-go, which left hundreds of millions of people in the dark. Today, so much has changed! Dozens of groups now work with LTBLI to advocate for energy access to be included in basic care packages, as we strive to Leave No One Behind.

Thank you for lighting lives and SHINE ON!

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SOLAR PROGRAMMING IN 2021

5,871

Safe Solar Lights were donated to Mothers, Students, Elders and people living with Disabilities

31,703 people in 5,871 homes use the solar lights in Uganda, Malawi and Kenya



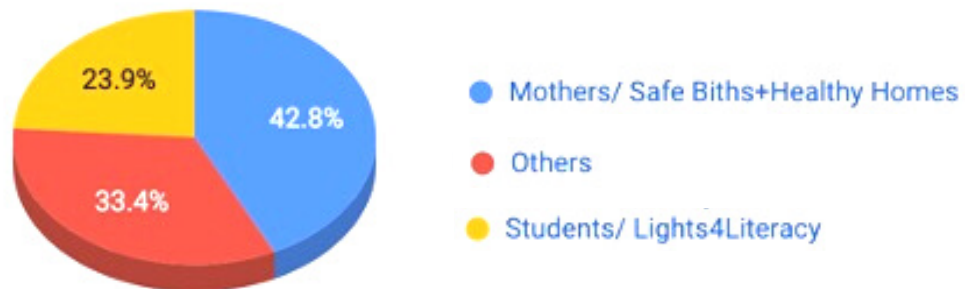
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Rural Off-grid Health Clinics were Solar-Electrified

136,018 people live in the areas served by the 14 Health Clinics



Donated Solar Lights by M.O.D.E.S. Category in 2021 (Mothers, Orphans, Disabled, Elders, Students)



(Left) George Mike with Solar Health Uganda shows an elder how to use her new solar light.

(Right) 8-year old S. once suffered a burn while using a kerosene lamp, but now can read safely under a mosquito net using her solar light.

2014-2021 SUMMARY

In **2014**, LTBLI began with a handful of volunteers, one African partner, and a budget of \$15,000.

Today, we have a multidisciplinary, international Board of Directors, **10** African partners, and an annual budget of **\$168,000**.

Still operating as a volunteer organization in the US, we now give part-time employment to **4** skilled Energy Poverty Consultants in Uganda and **25** Field Officers in Uganda, Malawi, and Kenya.

Other organizations are interested in our models that use a systems lens to change behavior and outcomes. In fact, a sizable grant application, anchored by a maternal health partner in London, seeks to scale up our maternal and infant health project (Safe Births + Healthy Homes) in partnership with the government of Kenya.

In 2022, we plan to hire a part-time paid Deputy Director, as we continue to scale up our solar programming.

PRIMARY IMPACTS

- IMPROVED HEALTH AND SAFETY
- RAISED SOLAR AWARENESS
- WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT
- ENHANCED EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC OUTCOMES

938,447 people living in off-grid communities have been impacted by LTBLI's solar programs over the past **7.5 years**.

Safe Births + Healthy Homes

2019-Present

[Read more about the SB+HH project here](#)



6 solar-electrified health clinics participate in 3 rural districts

3,400 mother-baby pairs impacted in 3 years

Improved health and safer homes for solar recipients

Scalable/replicable project

Lights 4 Literacy

2020-Present



Solar lights and books donated to school children

775 students impacted during Covid-19

Literacy and solar training for parents and teachers

Scalable/replicable project

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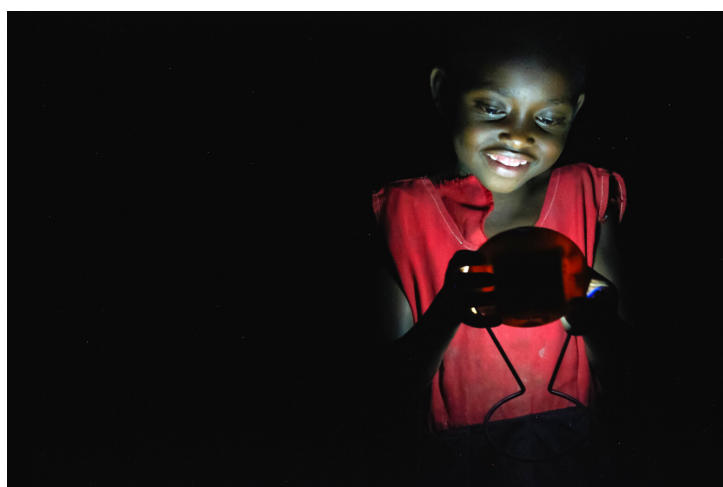
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LTBLI's commitment to advancing Sustainable Development Goal 7 - Energy Access and Renewable Energy - has been recognized by UN Energy.



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Let There Be Light International's Energy Compact

- LTBLI commits to deliver SDG7 safety-net programming to 1.5 million people by 2030.
- LTBLI commits to improving maternal and infant health for 100,000 people through our Safe Births + Healthy Homes programming.
- LTBLI commits to catalyze the inclusion of SDG7 into the programming of 30 NGOs to amplify SDG interlinkages .

Read the Energy Compact at <https://www.un.org/energycompacts/>

THANK YOU FOR SPREADING LIGHT AND HOPE AROUND THE WORLD!



A health clinic in Uganda being solar-electrified by LTBLI and Solar Health Uganda.



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