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Liberty University students had a chance Friday to participate in a project that originated with "Oprah's Big Give," the television show where contestants are challenged to make a big impact on an unsuspecting person's life.

WSET, the local ABC affiliate, along with Gleaning for the World, a charity that provides surplus medical and essential supplies to humanitarian projects worldwide, received \$10,000 from Oprah Winfrey to send medical supplies to children's AIDS clinics in Africa.

A trailer that will carry the medical supplies was parked in front of Liberty's Vines Center Friday and students gave out of their own pockets to help the effort grow even bigger to provide \$2 million worth of supplies to reach 80,000 people.

The Rev. Ronald Davidson, founder and CEO of Gleaning for the World, addressed students at Friday's convocation.

"I've been watching Jonathan, I've been watching Jerry Falwell Jr., and I've been watching your church and your campus and I have seen the moving of the Holy Spirit in a way that I have never seen God touch souls," he said. "I've got news for you: God's not through with what's He's doing with this place. He is not through with reaching Central Virginia and your heart. God is going to use Liberty University to reach all over the world, all over Africa and win new souls for Christ."