

Update from Kenya

Prayers and Praises:

A little over two years ago the Kenyan Government was revoking NGO's and ministries government certifications. Several hundred organizations had their permits, VISA's and certificates revoked and many were told to leave the country.

We were up for renewal of our VISA/ work permit in July and had to reapply for these papers to continue to do ministry in Kenya. We had heard that a lot of permits were denied or some approved for one year, a limited number approved for two years. We are extremely happy to announce that our permit was approved for three years. This is just another way of confirming, that we are in Gods will and doing what He wants us to do for Him and His Kingdom.

Praise God and congratulations to all of the students for completing their 2nd term exams and ending the term without any problems.

Please continue to pray for the children and their families as they return home during the break which has been changed due to the upcoming elections on August 8th.

Please pray for the nurses and the Government to come to an agreement to end the strike and the nurses will go back to work.

Please pray for rain. We are still very dry and we are in serious need of rain for the crops, animals and people.

School Visit:

A few weeks ago, we were returning from a youth program in the Majengo area in Narok. As we were returning to town I noticed in the rear view mirror a man was chasing the truck. I stopped to see what the man wanted and he stated that he was Pastor and Director of Arise and Shine Christian Academy and Church. He requested that we visit his school.

We were able to make a visit, and he showed us a school of temporary buildings these classrooms that had been started and were never completed. The school had two and three grades in one room with no windows or doors. I explained to him that we did projects on a cost share basis. He said that he could come up with some funds.

We completed the metal sheet walls (like a pole barn structure), and then placed windows and doors in the classrooms. We secured the frame structure to make it stronger and to code and separated with walls to make new classrooms for a more conducive learning environment for teachers and students.

As you can see from the pictures, the building is very primitive, but will serve their purpose for now so these children get an education.



As we move forward, may we constantly put a smile on God's face; like the smiles on the faces of the children and the staff.

Desks and Computer Notebooks:

A few weeks ago I received a telephone call from George Ngadi the Head Teacher at Nkarate Primary School asking me to come to his school. When visiting the school Mr. Ngadi showed me that his students were sitting on benches but did not have desks. Then he showed me 77 notebook computers that were supplied by the Kenya Government. He stated that he has had the computers for several months, but he didn't have a place to use them.

He requested that the ministry provide 30 student desks for the computer lab. I explained to him that all projects were on a cost share basis, and his school would have to contribute something toward the desks to be made. He stated that money was always a big problem, but he would do what he could. Within a week he had contributed some money toward the project, so we began building 30 student desks. It took us 4 days to build them, and 2 days to transport all 30 desks to the school.

The students were very excited to see us with the new student desks, but they had no idea that they



would now be able to use the notebook computers. As we were delivering the last load of desks Mr. Ngadi brought out the notebooks and called in the first grade class. As the students entered the classrooms they began screaming with joy. One of the students came up to me and said "thank you," another said "maybe someday I will work with computers."

This school is now able to use their computers. One of our employees asked on our return to Narok, "How many schools need this help to use their computers?" There are probably several schools with the same problem.

As you can see from the pictures the students are enjoying their first day with their new desks and computer notebooks. Such a small thing, means so much to those who do not have much.

**Blessing to all,
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