

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world. (James 1:27)

THROUGH THE STORM MINISTRIES

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Dear friends and partners:

Thanks to you. The Haven on the Hill is growing!!

Kenya Orphanage Update:

Wow! I feel like I just got home, but the Lord has blessed us so much at the Haven. **The new building is finished!** Now we can give a loving home to more boys, **Phil and I, along with some friends, are excited to be traveling to Kenya on**

New Home for more children completed!!

May 9th. The purpose of this trip will be to furnish and decorate the new building, paint and give the old building a facelift, changing it into our library, study hall, first aid

station and office. We will be visiting homes and sharing the love of Jesus to our neighbors. **We will also be starting construction on a cow pen.** Most important, we plan to **rescue more boys into haven on the Hill**, giving them a hope and a knowledge of Jesus Christ their savior. Yes we plan on having girls too, just not at this time.

My (Janice) last trip to Kenya was great. The Lord assisted me as he always does. The trip was, as always, loaded with activity including filing annual reports, meeting with children's officer, planning, etc. Our dear friend Denise traveled with me and we ministered to the community giving them shoes, bibles and the love of Jesus. Here is what Denise wrote about her experience:

Haven on the Hill is a light to the community and a blessing to all who step foot within and near its gates. I was privileged to spend time there with 6 wonderful, energetic boys who are full of personality and love to praise God. It was very special to hear them singing in their native language to the Lord. And they love music, games, reading and eating!! Our time together at Lake Nakuru Park was exciting and special as we all observed animals in the wild. That day we were a part of our own nature documentary that no one will ever forget. I thank God that the boys are so well cared for and loved. The location of Haven is so beautiful that pictures don't do it justice. The hills are covered with vibrant green tea plants and the countryside speckled with tea pickers carrying baskets. The gardens are planted on steep hillsides, and well terraced for growing pineapple, cabbage, spinach, potatoes, mangoes and many other fruits and vegetables. The Lord has truly blessed this land with many natural resources and a pleasant climate.

The people in the community have very little by our standards, but seem happy and are willing to share what they have. Their lives continue to be touched by Jesus through the planting of Haven on the Hill. One of the neat things I got to see while there was the Sunday afternoon gathering of dozens of children at the Haven playground. Children can come and play with the boys on Sundays and their parents know that all will be well within the gates. This next year will be truly exciting as more destitute boys make their way to the home at Haven on the Hill as the new building reaches completion. Lives are being saved and transformed by the loving work of this ministry.

I am so thankful for my recent opportunity to spend time in Kenya and also for the many new friends I made there. I loved the friendly people and their warm hospitality and cannot wait until I can return. *Denise*

I will add that Denise was very much of a blessing to us, the boys and our neighbors. *Janice*



Denise reading a story to the boys. Not only the boys were enjoying it.

Current needs:

- **PRAYER!**
- *Kikuyu Bibles to give out to the community (\$10 each)*
- **Finances to furnish the new building and build a cow pen. (little by little makes a bunch!)**
- **Bunk beds (\$150.00 each) We need 10 for the new building.**
- **Twin mattress and plastic covers for next home (\$20 each)**
- **Dark color flannel sheets sets for next home.**
- **Blankets for Haven and to give out to elderly (\$6.00 each)**
- **Our next building, a kitchen,/dining room/community chapel.**

Thank you for all you do, we could not do this without your prayers and support. We Love You! Phil & Janice



Godfrey, Naomi, Joshua, Njoroge, Kelvin, Hezekiel, Janice, Tyson, James and Beatrice



Children coming to play on our playground. They waited for hours outside our gate until church and lunch were over.



The view from the top of the new building.



Gave out blankets, bibles, shoes and the love of Jesus!



Our dear friend Bishop John visits the boys on his trip to Kenya.



This is Joshua, one of our sweet and happy boys.

About Through The Storm Ministries

The mission of Through The Storm Ministries (TSM) is to minister the love of God by providing assistance for individuals through unexpected, extraordinarily difficult times in their lives. This includes the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (**Mat 25:35**) and visiting orphans and widows in their affliction (**James 1:27**)

We are committed to remaining debt free. (**Rom 13:8**)

TSM is registered as a non-profit organization according to Section 501C(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All donations to TSM are tax deductible.

TSM operates as **Through The Storm International** in the nation of **Kenya** as a non-governmental organization (NGO).

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