

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: Thank you for your support in prayers and resources! We couldn't do this without you.

Kenya Orphanage update

Things are constantly changing at Haven on the Hill. Short term plans are regularly being adjusted due to changing conditions. Each new month brings new surprises, joys, challenges and achievements. Of particular joy is when we get to spend time with the 15 boys at Haven, as I (Phil) did during my recent June visit. What a delight they are to be with! They continue to surprise me with how well they can understand and speak English and bring me joy with their zeal to praise and serve our Lord! The testimonies we hear of how well they behave is uplifting. Mom Beatrice blessed me when she told me that the boys correct each other with "Daddy Phillip and Momma Janice wouldn't like you doing that."

Construction on the top floor of the children's home building is nearing completion. It is beginning to look like a home inside with the floors being laid, doors installed and the closets framed out. Janice said she walked through the unfinished home and heard the laughter and praising to the Lord by children that will soon be coming to find their **lives changed forever with the love of Jesus giving them a hope for a future. Without you this could not happen. Thank you!!**

We were challenged from March to May when our water well pump motor stopped working. The Haven family, as well as neighbors who come to draw water, were without our well water for 6 weeks during the longest extended drought we had seen in that area. As God would have it, almost as soon as the pump went out it started raining regularly and we were able to capture rain water to use until the pump was fixed. The Lord supplies!!! (2 Cor 8:14, Phil 4:19) **Thanks for helping us get fresh water, we do not take it for granted.**



The boys at Haven enjoying their new jump ropes.

Our two cows and two of our goats are happily furnishing milk for the family and manure for the Shamba (farm). The boys enjoy the continuous supply of fresh milk.

Two new Toshiba laptops were donated for the library to use for typing and computer classes. **What a blessing!** Tables to hold them are currently being built.

Because you care, new clothes were given to the Haven family and for the community. Everyone was overjoyed when they received the much needed new clothes and also when each boy received his own jump rope. They keep the ropes coiled and put away between uses. This was a special treat and the boys gave the Lord glory for His love.. **Phil**

*****Please keep Auntie Ann (our house girl) at Haven in your prayers as she is currently going through some health challenges.*****

Thanks! Is a small word, but if you could feel what is in our hearts you would know how BIG that word is. **We thank the Lord for putting His love in your hearts and making a difference in the lives of those that have felt forgotten.** Phil and I know that without your caring, prayers and giving all that the Lord is doing in Kenya and here could never be accomplished. So I say it again. **THANK YOU! 😊 Janice**

Current needs:

- **PRAYER for continued health, wisdom, knowledge and understanding for Phil, Janice and the Haven family!**
- **Monthly financial support to cover the operating costs at Haven on the Hill.**
- **Three new, or used laptops (up to 4 years old) in great working condition, for typing and computer classes.**
- **School uniforms for 300 neighbor children in the Haven community in Kenya (\$10 each).**
- **Kikuyu Bibles to give out to the community (\$10 each).**
- **Finances to finish up the top floor for a new home (\$9,200). When top floor is completed we will add more boys to the haven family, giving them a loving home .**
- **More beds and furniture.**

(Little by little makes a bunch!)

We love and appreciate you!! Thank you for all you do. We could not do this without your prayers and support. Phil & Janice

Wanting to do great things for God?

Many friends have been asking me to pray that they hear from the Lord. They want to use their talents for His glory and make a difference in this world.

I was remembering when we got our first 6 boys, they were afraid, sick and needed medical attention. I was needed at home and had to leave. My heart was breaking and I cried to the Lord asking Him to please help me have peace that the boys were going to get proper care. Just hours before I left for the airport I received a call from a lady that I only met once through a friend. Trena was an American living in Kenya working for a Baptist Church, organizing mission teams. She asked to meet with me so we met just minutes before I left for the airport. I will never forget what she said. "I know the Lord has more for me than just organizing missions. I have been praying for His guidance and last night **He told me to jump into wherever I know He is working, be faithful and He will give me the desires of my heart.**" **The Lord told Trena to ask what I needed and to say "yes" to whatever I would have her do!** The Lord never gets in a hurry, but He always comes on time. My grandmother always told me that and now I know what that really means. I told Trena I needed her to see that the boys got medical attention and check on them for me. Trena did much more than that, she fell in love with the boys and became our director for several months until the Lord faithfully gave Trena a ministry of her own. Trena now works with handicapped and disabled children, finding them loving homes. We will forever be grateful for Trena's obedience and the Lord's faithfulness.

The point of this story is to let the Lord use you to help others do what He has called them to do and you will find what the Lord has for you. So find something that you know the Lord is in and do what it takes to help make it a success. The Lord will give you the desires of your hearts. *Janice*



We are growing!!! View of Haven on the Hill



The boys wearing their new clothes to church

See more pictures at www.throughthestorm.org/pictures.html and www.throughthestorm.org/haven-family.html

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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