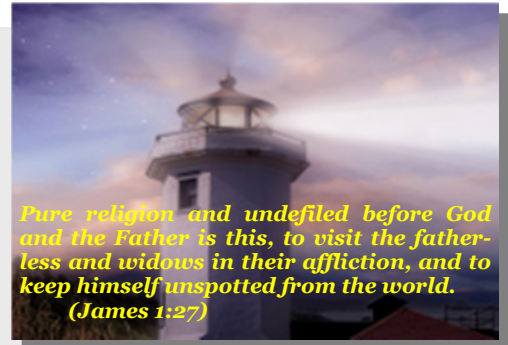


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*Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.
(James 1:27)*

Thank you for your caring hearts! The Lord's love being poured through you will never fail. Your prayers and gifts are changing lives.

Thanks for your prayers! My last trip to Kenya was amazing. The paperwork that we are required to file annually was finished so quickly that I was able to minister to many before returning home.

We are waiting for the Lord to supply the right parents for the now complete home on the top floor. We will then bring in more boys. We plan on having girls in a separate building up the hill in the future. *Janice*

Children at school that Janice visited. They were happy to get supplies and a



Kenya orphanage update

Every Christian is an ambassador for Christ - purposed to spread the message of goodwill that God extended to mankind through Jesus Christ (**2 Cor 5:20**). Janice and I firmly believe in being ambassadors for Christ in everything we do. Do we sometimes miss opportunities to ambassador? I know I do. The best thing to do in those situations is to repent and seize the next opportunity to tell someone about Jesus and all He has done for us. The more we do it, the easier it is to do.

Unless we live totally isolated from all other humans, those opportunities meet us multiple times per day. Much of our ambassadorship can be in the form of prayer and actions of love as well as in words.

I, and two of my friends, will be **traveling to Kenya** toward the end of May. I am so looking forward to seeing our kids and family at Haven on the Hill! My message to our Haven children is always one of Fatherly love and goodwill from God to men (and women).

The Haven boys particularly understand how it feels to be destitute as they have previously lived without family who loves them. They also understand how much God loves them so much that He gave them Jesus - and a loving family. He is Father to the fatherless. (**Psa 68:5**)

A lot is happening at Haven these days. Although there is currently no new building construction, a Biogas system is nearing completion.

To be blunt, a Biogas system turns cow manure into methane gas which can be used for cooking. The gas is piped from near the cows



Left: Biogas system under construction in January. Right: It is now almost ready to produce gas for cooking. The gas pipe will be con-

to a stove in the kitchen, much like propane and natural gas is piped to our homes. The system has no moving parts, requires little maintenance and is expected to last fifty years or more. We expect the Biogas to eliminate the need to buy and transport bottled gas and also reduce the need for charcoal.


We are still believing for an electrical pole, which belongs to the power company, to be moved from our property so that we can level off a football (soccer) field for the boys and neighbors to play and run in. I don't know who wants the field more, the boys - or me.

Our two cows are expecting calves and our sheep recently gave

From my heart

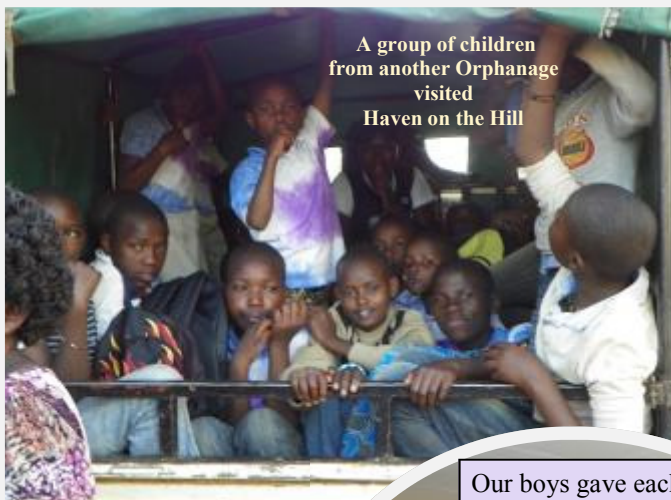
Early one morning recently, I was half asleep and remembering something that happened about 25 years ago. Phil and I had a small pickup truck with a trailer that Phil had built. Over several years, we took opportunities the Lord had given us and helped many people move.

One day, Phil and I were moving and no one had shown up to help! I was so angry and I recall thinking "You just let them ask me to help them again and see what I say!" No sooner than I thought that, I heard the voice of the Lord say "And you will be there." I repented and got my heart right. Within 5 minutes, many people showed up to help. I was so excited!

While I was thinking back on this, the Lord asked me "Do you remember who it was that showed up that day to help you?" and I said "No Lord, I don't." He said "I do and I have repaid them." The Lord told me "Many people that you have helped don't remember you helping, but I do and *I will repay, if you do it as unto me.*" What the Lord was telling me was *when we do something and get angry because someone does not appreciate or remember what we did, we are not doing it unto Him, but for the gratitude of others.* Next time you get angry at someone for not appreciating you, *remember that every kind deed done as  unto the Lord will be reward-*

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

Thank You!! Your Prayers



The day was filled with good food and giving the Word of God through crafts, games and Bible stories. The children were excited to receive



Do you need a hug?? I know where you can find one.

Thank you for helping us provide water and the love of Jesus to the community. This is a thankful smile! :)



These small children come to collect water from the borehole



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 the fatherless and widows in their affliction (**James 1:27**)

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

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