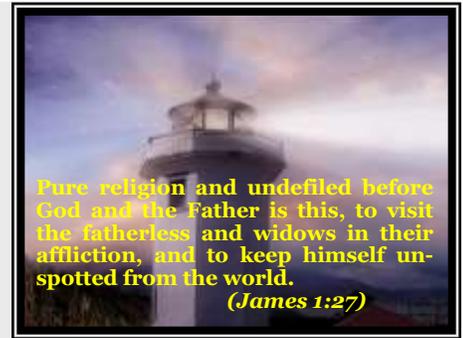


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Dear friends and partners:

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. (**Philippians 4:4**) We serve a Lord who is indescribably good! Thank you for all you do. Your prayers, your partnership and your friendship are the heartbeat of this ministry.

Kenya update

Our meeting hall is completed!! Once the basic furniture for the dining portion of the hall has been delivered, our two Haven families can start eating together.



Inside of the Dining/Meeting Hall

Also, to put the hall to further use, on to our sewing ministry. We are in the

planning stage now. We plan to start by purchasing several sewing machines and allow ladies from the surrounding areas to be trained how to sew, one person per machine. This will enable them to support and pay for their children's education. After they have learned how to sew we will help them sell their product and when they have paid off the machine we will allow them to take their machine home and start their own business.



One of the 6 machines we plan on purchasing for our sewing ministry.

When a machine is paid off we will purchase another machine and allow another lady to start learning.

Kitchen

Our kitchen is now cooking with LP Gas (propane) and the need to cook with firewood is eliminated. Cooking with gas is much easier and cleaner and is much better for the health of the kitchen workers. We had purchased a large, restaurant quality, pressure cooker to reduce cooking time and gas usage and will also be providing a small pressure cooker this summer.

We love and appreciate you!! Thank you for all you do. We could not do this without your prayers and support! (Little by Little makes a bunch)



We also built a foundation and slab for a small building behind the kitchen that will serve as a storage area for the meeting hall and, in general, finished the area behind the kitchen. As they say in Kenya, "It looks smart."

On my last trip to Kenya when I was in Houston getting my bags checked, I was informed that my carry-on bag was too heavy. To lighten the weight, I took out my folder and put it in my check-in bag, thinking I would not need my papers until I get into Kenya. After I was in the air I realized that my visa, required to get into the country, was in my folder! I felt panic hit me! Then I saw a vision of Peter in jail chained between two guards and I heard the Lord ask "What is Peter doing?" You can read this story in **Acts 12**. King Herod had just killed James, and Peter was next, but the church was praying without ceasing for Peter. **So thank you for your prayers. I depend on them greatly.** Peter was sleeping! Then the Lord ask me what would you be doing? I had to be honest. I said I'm not sure, but I know I would not be sleeping. You see Peter didn't know if he was going to die or not, but he knew God was in control and that the Lord never leaves us or forsakes us. He is for us, not against us. Compared to what Peter was facing, my problem was so small. I asked for forgiveness for not trusting God with this and, can you guess what I did? I fell asleep. When I arrived in Kenya I asked the Lord to guide me to the right person. I passed a man and stopped, then turned around and went back. I told him about the visa and asked what to do. He smiled and told me to come into his office where he stamped my passport and let me enter not having to go through the long line! God can not help us unless we put our trust in Him. Worry is letting the devil have control. The Word of God is a sword so let us take our sword and use it. Laugh today and make the devil mad. Janice



Current needs. Your prayers are important! (James 5:16):

- Finances for the Haven's monthly operating expenses via special gifts and sponsors for the boys at Haven. (Currently we are at 83% of our sponsorship goals.)
- Prayer for the next step to teach ladies in the surrounding communities to sew and funding for sewing machines and supplies.
- Many souls for the Kingdom of God.
- Wisdom and patience for our board to make the right decisions as we carry out this assignment and fulfill this vision.
- God's protection over the Haven on the Hill family and the welfare of our children, staff and neighbors.

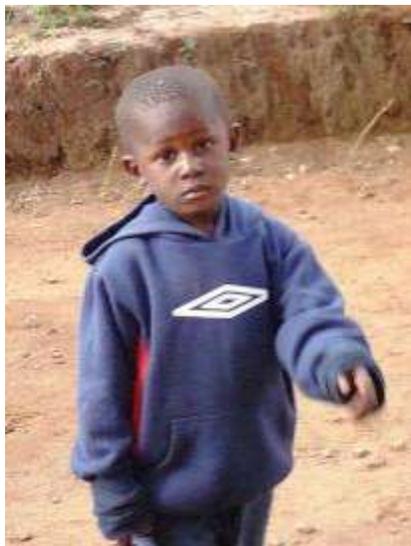
Haven on the Hill Children's Home



Our younger boys planning a trip. John Mwangi driving and Allan Luke by the door. The driver let them play in his car.



Boys showing off their new name tags.



Joshua Nzyoka in 2008 age 3

When Joshua came to live at Haven he was very sick with the Rotavirus. That is caused from drinking dirty water. He didn't talk at all at first and we didn't know if he could hear. The doctor told me if we had not gotten him when we did he would have been dead in a week.

With love and care Joshua got better and felt safe then started talking and playing. He is very sweet boy. We can't imagine life at Haven without Joshua.



Joshua Nzyoka in 2019 age 14

When you choose to sponsor one of these children for \$10 or more per month, you are changing a life forever!

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