## THROUGH THE STORM MINISTRIES

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Dear Friend and partner: Thanks for honoring the Lord by giving your love to his forgotten children!! He who gives to the poor will lack nothing!!

## Kenya update!!

As we mentioned in our previous communication, the District of Thika had considered donating five acres land, located 90 kilometers East of Nairobi, for the purpose of building a children's orphanage. Since then, Janice and Joyce Marandes visited with the officials and inspected the land. The land is perfect for this purpose. It has room for the orphanage complex plus farm and garden area for harvesting food and crops. Since their latest trip to Kenya, The officials have decided to grant the land to us for this purpose! The land is worth at least \$20,000. Praise the lord! Janice, David Marendes and myself will be traveling again to Kenya on September 10, 2001. We will be taking shoes, Bibles, assorted clothing and most important, the Gospel of Jesus, to Nairobi to minister to residents of one of the slums in the city. Slums in Nairobi offer living conditions well below those of typical slums located in the U.S - we would consider them unlivable. We want to be a blessing to the people and want them to know Jesus, the Christ, in a personal way.

While we are in Kenya, we will also work on finalizing the approval of our NGO, Through The Storm International, with the Kenyan government and will work with officials of the District of Thika on getting the ownership of five acres of land transferred to Through The Storm International.

Also, we will be finalizing the architectural design of the orphanage complex. In total, six buildings are planned that will provide homes for over 100 orphaned children as well as the overseers. The total budget for the orphanage is \$225,000.

Thousands of children have lost their families to the AIDS epidemic and other causes and are living in streets, parks and wherever they can claim as their "home".

James 1:27 (NASB) <sup>27</sup>Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Isaiah 46:11 I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass, I have purposed it, I will also do it!!!!

Phil

<u>Our Web Site.</u> Visit our web site. We will keep you up to date with current ministry news and exciting new features. **www.throughthestorm.org**.

**WOW!!!** The Lord is moving so fast. We have been seeing his hand on this vision for his children. We have gotten word that a doctor would be interested in helping with the medical needs once the orphanage is built - what a blessing!

A BIG THANK YOU for all the notes of encouragement. It really helps to know we have you praying for us.

While you send us out with your support of prayers and finances the word of God promises that those who send shall receive the same reward as those that go. (I Samuel 30:24)

I wish somehow you could see the faces of the children as they receive for the first time a pair of shoes for their sore feet, or a mother who has no food or cover for her children receives a blanket and food. We tell them that Jesus has send this to them because he has not forgotten them and loves them very much.

A month ago the Lord told me to tell all those in whom the Lord has put a desire in their hearts to give to pray for an amount that they could believe for, and when they receive it the devil would try to steal their seed by getting them to use it or spend it elsewhere. Those that push through and give the seed anyway would be blessed. (II Corinthians 9:10)

Because you have a heart to help the hungry and hurting you will be truly blessed.

Phil and I know many of you are sacrificing for the work of the Lord. We pray for you and believe that the Lord will pour out his blessings on you and through you. **From my heart**, *Janice* 

## Current needs of this ministry

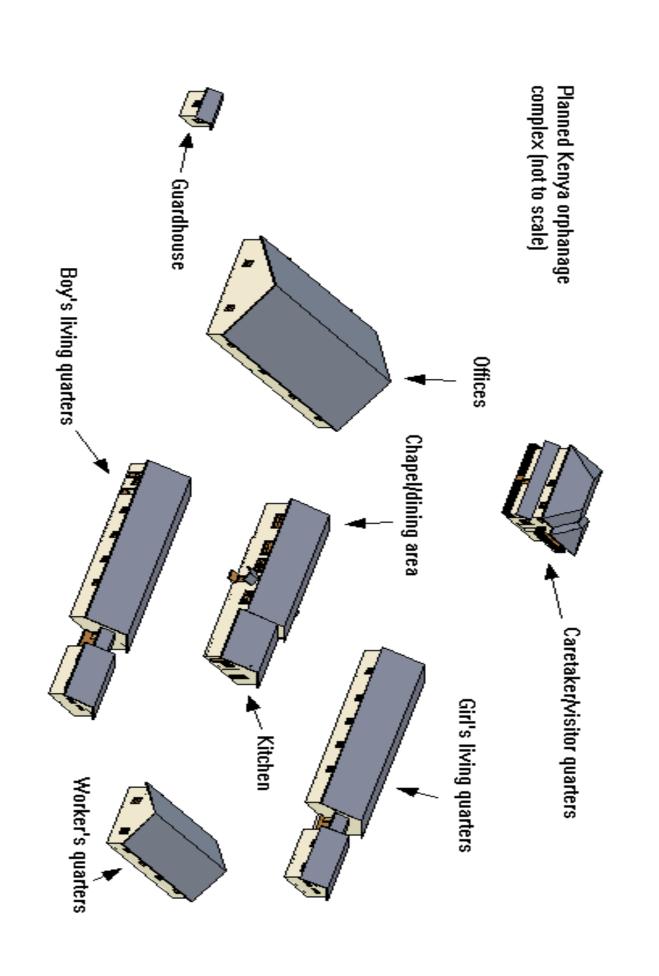
- Bibles (English) to take to Kenya in September.
- ♦ Money for the trip to Kenya (\$4,500.)
- ◆ Funds needed for the building and furnishing of the orphanage complex was (\$225.000) received (\$4,039) leaving a balance of (\$220,961)

We have \$4, 039 in the fund for the Orphanage. There is an African saying "Little by little makes a bunch." **The Lord is wanting to show what can happen if God's people unite for his purpose.** No gift is too small.

We have enclosed a drawing of the orphanage complex. Please place this where you will see it and pray over it daily. Your prayers are very, very important!!

<u>Other ministry opportunities.</u> TSM also regularly provides assistance to US residents as the need arises and as the Lord directs. Though The Storm has been touching hurting people because of the giving and love that you share.

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Inside: Exciting information Phil & Janice's return to Kenya, Africa. Also, new Web site at http://www.throughthestorm.org.

## 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)

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

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

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