



ChristHope Orphanage

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CONGRATULATIONS HEBRON STUDENTS!

Congratulations are in order to our first ever orphan graduates from “Hebron Secondary School”. These nine students finished form four and took their national exam. We recently found out that all nine of them passed and now qualify to go back to Hebron and finish form five and six which will complete their high school and college prep education. From left to right: Joane Juma, Loveness Juma, Jackline Christopher, Diana Peter, Marko Thomas, Happy Hussein, Naomi Kaanankira, Jesca Juma and Angel Hamis.



In the afternoon after the graduation ceremony, the IEO board threw a party for the nine graduates and the rest of the Hebron orphanage students. At the request of the group, a chicken dinner was fixed and a cake was ordered. Guess what they ate first? If you guessed the cake, you are right!! Each graduate was given a watch and took a turn at the microphone. They shared with thankfulness his/her life at the orphanage, their spiritual upbringing and their goals and dreams for the future.



These precious children come to us for a variety of reasons. Their parents may die in accidents, from various diseases like HIV/AIDS, childbirth, malaria, alcoholism/drugs and even abandonment. We have even had dying mothers come to the orphanage and turn their child in because she wanted her little one to be well taken care of after her death. You can imagine what these little ones go through when they arrive. They are frightened, hang their heads low, don't know anyone or know where they will eat or sleep. Who will love and take care of them?



My AHA moment came when each student stood up with his/her head held high and shared their thankfulness for the care and education they have received. They could have ended up on the streets begging, using drugs, becoming prostitutes and even succumbed to an early death. Praise God and His infinite wisdom for saving these young ones! We have great hope for them and the ones after them that will become future leaders of Tanzania.

NEW SCHOOL YEAR STARTS IN JANUARY

In January of each year, school starts, advancements take place and new uniforms, backpacks and shoes are purchased. The children who are in kindergarten stay at the orphanage and get their schooling. Primary 1-7 (1st-7th grade) are in a district school and graduate after primary 7. There is no 8th grade so the children advance to Hebron secondary school which has 6 years of schooling. These grades are called forms and form 1- 4 completes their secondary school education. At this point they take a national exam. If their grades are high enough, they get to go back to Hebron and finish form 5 & 6 which completes their high school and college prep classes. Again they take a national exam and if they score high enough they are awarded a national scholarship to a university or college depending on his/her major.



We do have students who are not academically able to continue with secondary school but would do great in the trades. Students going to Crower Trade School have a choice and can take one of five courses. The courses are cooking, sewing, carpentry, welding and masonry. Each course lasts for one year. The picture below shows Upendo William (front row, second from the left) and Gift Emiliano (right of Upendo). They are holding clothes they have made in their sewing class.

Below are our three primary students who advanced to Form one. From left to right they are Gift Zakayo, Anitha Issa and livini Frenk.



Despite the circumstances of poverty, disease and hunger, these students have worked hard to overcome. Because these children have a variety of gifts, talents and learning abilities, we want them to have choices in their education. Our goal is that every orphan has some type of education to support themselves when they finally leave and live on their own.

2 Timothy 2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" KJV

The Wall

In February of this year, we shared with you the need to build a wall around the 8 acres of land that the orphanage sits on. The government is requiring this wall because our children need better protection, especially our little albino boy. He is an “at-risk-child” because of his condition. Albinism is a disorder marked by an absence of pigment in the skin, hair and eyes. According to the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights, the body parts of these children are traded in a lucrative market for use in witchcraft. Reported prices range from \$2,000 for a limb to \$75,000 for a corpse. Tanzania has one of the highest albinism rates in the world, one in 1,400. People with albinism are targeted in heinous attacks motivated by superstition.

Our original estimate from the contractor for the wall may not be enough!! The men have to dig down about 3 feet and remove rock and soil so they can pour in the foundation and place the rebar. Because the area is so rocky, the progress is slow and labor cost and supplies have increased. At this time we don't know how much extra we will need but time will tell. It is the rainy season in Tanzania so progress has slowed down and may stop for several months.



One more project that is being constructed is the cow shed for the orphanage cows. As more calves are born, better facilities are needed for milking and feeding. The feeding trough is in front and there is a system to drain away waste products. The goal is to complete these projects, buy more beds and hopefully take in another 30 orphans by the end of the year. We rely on the Lord to bring in the finances and we ask that you would kindly join us in prayer for the needs to be met. God is good! Praise the Lord!!



How is the support money spent?

Some supporters have asked how the support money they send is used. The Christ Hope Orphanage support is \$60/mo. and Hebron is \$90/mo. When money comes into the ministry, each supporter is credited with his/her donation. Then the finances are put into savings for bills that need to be paid, items that need to be bought and salaries. When donors direct their funds to a certain area of ministry, we try to follow their request to the best of our ability unless there is an emergency situation where funds are needed immediately! Below is a partial list of items that require finances.

Each child has his/her dorm room with bed, sheets, blankets and a mosquito net (nets are changed yearly); three meals daily; firewood (all food is cooked with wood and it keeps rising in cost do to scarcity of wood); electricity; water; school shoes, uniforms and backpacks; annual school fees; upkeep of bathrooms and showers; after school clothes and shoes; laundry and dish soaps; hygiene supplies; veterinary supplies; food for the chickens and cows; transportation and fuel costs; sports equipment; doctor visits and medicine; salaries for ten staff; building and ground maintenance.

CAN I WRITE TO MY CHILD?

Yes! You may send a business-sized envelope with a letter or card and some small gifts such as pictures, gum, and stickers to *Jan George at 41238 Manitu Road, Stayton Oregon 97383*. The orphanage workers do their best to translate letters from English to Swahili and Swahili to English so you can receive a return letter. The orphans at Hebron Secondary School know enough English to write their own letters. You can send pictures of your family, pets, church, school, work place, vacation, landscape, etc.

For questions about your orphan, sponsoring a child or sending a letter to your child, please contact:

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Orphans at Christ Hope Orphanage



Hebron orphans with some staff and IEO board