



Kenya Connection

KP Challenges Partners, Sponsors, Friends to Complete Lower School Building Project Before December

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So many of you have contributed generously and enabled The Kenya Project to fund 80% of the cost of the lower school building. However, there are now new deadlines to raise funds so that construction will continue. If work is delayed more than 30 days, building crews may be forced to move to other locations, and we will risk starting another school year with crowded, unhealthy classrooms.

Ways you can help:

- Make purchases from your favorite online retailers through *The Giving Seed* to generate 6% for The Kenya Project from each purchase. See the article below.
- Introduce Gideon Robi or Peyton Mosher to speaking opportunities about The

Kenya Project. They can bring videos and share about progress at Mountain Park Academy (MPA).

- Make a donation today after praying about this appeal and God's purposes. Refer to the shopping list on the back page. Credit cards are accepted on The Kenya Project website (see page 4).

Prayer, planning, commitment, and God's abundant blessings have provided the opportunity for MPA to serve more than 750 students in the village of Githioroinii. Please consider joining us today in making a safer environment for the youngest students this coming year.

Many blessings, Gideon Robi, Executive Director



Twenty new classrooms under construction



The latest photo of the front of the new addition

PROJECTS

Completed

- Upper school building with dining hall, 5000-book library, playground equipment
- Electricity for MPA and 200 homes
- Community well
- First children's home

Current and Ongoing

- New classroom building
- Two new children's homes

Use The Giving Seed to Donate at No Cost to You!

Simply start at www.givingseed.com and select your online retailer of choice: Amazon, PetSmart, Snapfish, Orbitz, Office Depot, Walmart, Macy's, Dell, and many more. Six percent of your purchase comes to The Kenya Project *without cost to you*. For example, when you buy a book from Amazon.com, start at the

website above. Then choose The Kenya Project from the list of recipients and select Amazon from the list of online retailers (see the screen snapshot to the right). Click the *Go* button and you will be redirected to Amazon where you can proceed as usual. Call Joan Munoz 404-556-1273 if you need help.



Non-Profit or Community Partner: *

Online Retailer: *



Liz's granddaughter, Skylar

No act of kindness or giving, no matter how small, is ever wasted. It can make a difference. That is my motto. When looking at all of the many situations in the world that deserve our attention and giving, it is easy to get overwhelmed—so overwhelmed that it might be easier just to look the other way. I have found that thinking small keeps me from being overwhelmed.

My granddaughter and I love to look at the pictures of the children that we sponsor through The Kenya Project. We talk about the challenges of their lives and the difficulties that they must endure every day. I want my granddaughter to understand the importance of giving, no matter how small the

gift, so recently we talked about what we could do that might make just a little difference. We decided to collect all the pennies and change in my house. It was a treasure hunt. We found piles of change and pennies, unused and long forgotten. We counted and we rolled. Then the fun part came. We added up all that we had and it was over \$50! We decided \$10 would be for eggs—after all, this would purchase almost five dozen eggs for the children to eat. \$10 would go to purchase milk—at least four gallons. The next \$25 would go toward funding a child's tuition for a whole month at school. Now we had a big decision: What should we do with the little over \$5 remaining? We decided to ask

that this money be used to buy bricks for the new school building. My granddaughter looked and said with a smile, "This is a lot Grammy." Yes, I agreed with her—a little goes a long way. And when we provide and feed the spirit of those who cannot provide for themselves, our own spirit is fed tenfold.

So let us all put our pennies together; save them, roll them, and send them to The Kenya Project. Altogether it can lead to big results. And most importantly, remember that no act of kindness or giving is too small to make a difference.

*By Liz Nichols, Bookkeeper
The Kenya Project*



**Jim and April Jurgensen at
Hutch's House**

The Boaz Project Ministers to Kenyan Orphans

The Boaz Project has ministered to orphans in Russia and India for the past 12 years. In April, they partnered with The Kenya Project and sent a team to Githioroinii to minister specifically to the children of Hutch's House and also to offer

a medical clinic for the community surrounding MPA. This team was led by the founders of the Boaz Project, Jim and April Jurgensen. They conducted a four-day VBS program with the children at Hutch's House. In addition, the medical members

of the team provided medical consultations to over 150 individuals from the community. Another Boaz Project team is being planned for the fall of 2011.



Team from Total Grace Church

Total Grace Team Leads a Two-Day Bible School

In April, Auma Reggy, president of The Kenya Project, escorted a team to MPA from Total Grace Church in Dekalb County. The mission team led a two-day vacation Bible school for MPA students and held a conference for 163 women in the community. The speaker discussed Acts 16 about the life

of Lydia, a woman of prayer, who understood the need to partner with other women to fulfill her destiny in God. The team received an invitation to return to host an annual conference.

The team had an opportunity to walk around Githioroinii and visit some of the homes of children who are sponsored. They

also visited with the orphaned children at Hutch's House.

After visiting MPA, members of the Total Grace team decided to sponsor several of the children that they met in Kenya.

Annual Board-Sponsored Team Completes Work

A board-sponsored team goes to MPA during the first week of June each year. This year's team just returned from Kenya on June 9th. Under the leadership of Ann Kennedy, team members administered medical exams, updated student records, and provided assis-

tance with construction projects. Medical members of the team evaluated the health of all the students, provided dental and visual assessments, and prescribed drugs as needed. A nutritionist joined the team this year to evaluate the dietary needs of the students. The ad-

ministrative group updated all student files, took photos of each student, and helped the students write letters to their sponsors. A construction crew worked on plumbing repairs at MPA and helped with building the chicken houses.



Ann Kennedy taking a break with Mama Robi

Forty More Orphans Will Soon Have a Home

Hutch's House is currently home to 19 orphans. Hopefully during this summer, two new homes will be completed so that 40 more orphans will have places to call home. The homes will be located next to Hutch's House, across the road from MPA. The children

will enjoy the care of house parents, proper meals, and homework assistance. Most of all, they have the experience of being cared for by the house parents—their new “Mama and Papa”—in a loving environment surrounded by their new “brothers and sisters.”

The Kenya Project wishes to thank the many families who have helped provide funding for these two homes and for those of you who have supported our many fundraising efforts. Orphan sponsorships are \$100 per month, covering living expenses and tuition.



The two new children's homes under construction

Edwin and Tabitha Hope for a Good Education

Edwin is a 9-year-old boy, and Tabitha is a 17-year-old girl. You would think they don't have anything in common. But they both have the same dream. They hope for the opportunities which come with a good education.

Edwin is in class three (3rd grade) at MPA. He loves to play ball, sing, and read. He is

an excellent student and well-behaved. His favorite subject is science. Tabitha is currently in form two (10th grade) at Saint Monicah Secondary. She is working very hard to achieve her goal of attaining a secondary education.

Edwin and Tabitha both are in need of sponsors.



Edwin Karanja Mwangi



Tabitha Wambui Njenga

Sponsorships Provide Opportunities Beyond MPA

Being able to attend secondary school is an opportunity children at MPA don't take for granted. They realize that only through the support of sponsors will they be able to go on to secondary school after graduating from MPA. Your tuition dollars allow them to continue their education and take advantage of many more

opportunities as young adults. After completing secondary school, they are better equipped to seek work and leadership positions in the community and possibly even attend college. Sheila Muthoni Kariuki is one of the secondary students who has continued to receive support after leaving MPA. Sheila is in form one (9th grade), at-

tending one of the highly-rated government secondary schools, Sher Academy Naivasha. Sheila is an outstanding student. Her parents are deceased and she now lives in Hutch's House, the first children's home built by The Kenya Project.



Sheila Muthoni Kariuki

The Kenya Project, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing education, spiritual growth, and homes for Kenya's children. Current projects are focused on helping in the village of Githioroinii, Kenya.

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Kenya Project Shopping List for Contributions

New Classroom Building (our top priority)

	Each	Quantity	Amount
Student Desk and Chair (need 600)	\$55	_____	_____
Teacher Desk and Chair (need 20)	\$90	_____	_____
Large Chalkboard (need 20)	\$100	_____	_____
Window (need 150)	\$110	_____	_____
Gallon of Paint (need hundreds)	\$30	_____	_____
Cement Block (need thousands)	\$10	_____	_____
Furnished Classroom (need 20)	\$24,000	_____	_____
Administrative Office Furniture	\$6,000	_____	_____
Library Shelving	\$10,000	_____	_____
Computer Laboratory	\$30,000	_____	_____
General Building Fund		_____	_____

Grand Total

Please mail contributions or have your bank's online bill-pay service send a check to: Kenya Project, Inc., P. O. Box 2023, Lilburn, GA 30048.

Important Announcements

Two New Board Members

The Kenya Project welcomes two new board members. *Joan Munoz* coordinates the Global Teacher Foundation and brought teacher trainers to MPA during 2009. She will be assisting The Kenya Project board with communications. *Rev. Peyton Mosher* from King's Ridge School is a Kenya Project missions veteran. Along with our executive director, Gideon Robi, Rev. Mosher will be available to speak to churches or organizations interested in The Kenya Project. Please call Joan Munoz at 404-556-1273 if you have any opportunities for speaking engagements. Gideon will soon be speaking to the Trinity Bap-

tist Church in Calhoun, GA and to a women's group at Cannon UMC in Snellville.

New Sweaters Are Prized Possessions

The children at MPA would like to thank all those who gave Christmas donations. The funds were used to purchase a new sweater for every student. Getting a new item of clothing is special to these children in a way that few Americans can understand. A child at MPA typically has only one outfit that he or she wears all the time until it becomes threadbare.

Some Email Messages Rejected

Recently many of our email messages to sponsors have been

rejected. Please put The Kenya Project on your accepted list: kenyaproject@bellsouth.net.

Automatic Payment Helps

Please consider contacting your bank or financial institution to set up automatic monthly or quarterly payments. Prompt and on-time payment of the \$25 per month per child enables The Kenya Project to consistently pay for all of the tuition fees and other supply costs that your child has each month and helps our volunteer accounting staff maximize their time and efforts.

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!!

Please forward this newsletter to your family and friends.



Joan Munoz and Peyton Mosher