



MERCY IN ACTION INTERNATIONAL

**MINISTRY UPDATE
FEBRUARY/MARCH 2011
KENYA, AFRICA**

Dear Partners:

I John 1:5 “And this is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God Is light and in Him there is no darkness at all”.

John 8:12 Jesus spoke to them saying, “I am the light of the world; He who follows me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life”.

LIGHT AND DARKNESS ARE EXTREME OPPOSITES!

Physically you can be in the darkest place on earth and light one match and the light will dispel darkness. You cannot however, muster up enough darkness to put out even the smallest light.

More importantly, the same is true spiritually. The powers of darkness can always be overcome by walking in the victory Jesus bought and paid for when He rose from the dead, having conquered death, hell and the grave (powers of darkness). Never forget, when you are facing challenges in your life, put your faith and trust in Jesus, the Light of Life to deliver you from the powers of darkness!

Now here’s some highlights of our Feb/Mar. 2011 trip to Kenya:

MATHARE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (MCDC)

The first girls dormitory room ever was opened on July 11, 2010 with 20 high risk MCDC girls. As of now its maxed out with 25 girls who call it home. Momma Jane calls it her “RESCUE CENTER” and that it is. Two of these little girls have been raped, several have lost their parents to aids and the stories go on.

Momma Jane needs our help with this one as its costing about \$40 per month per girl above and beyond the schooling, feeding, medical and uniforms.



Momma Jane inside the girls dorm room. Each girl has a tin locker box for personal items and clothes

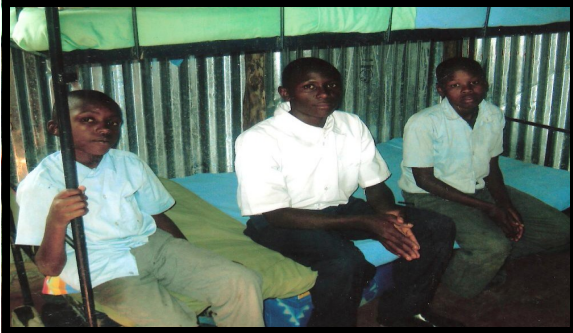


This is Naomi, the girls house mother or matron. She is an orphan herself so she relates to the girls in a very special way



Here the girls are trying on their new hats, day dresses & pajamas, made by partners in Arizona churches.

- 2) Equally exciting is the first ever boys dormitory building which was constructed and opened last fall for 15 high risk MCDC boys. All of these boys came in from off the streets of Mathare Valley slum.



Three of the 15 boys in the boys dormitory building.



Jeannine and Naomi in the boys dormitory building.



Future MCDC Dormitory Building

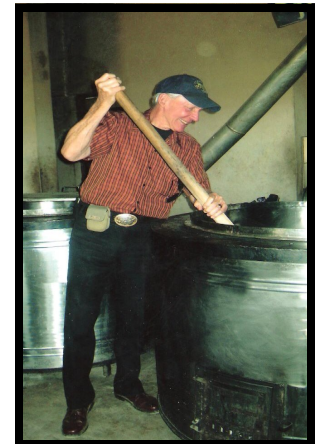


Future Dormitory—Kitchen/Dining Hall Building and playground.

Construction at the new MCDC campus is ongoing as monies come in. Below is the kitchen/Dining hall building upon which the second story walls have been added.



Anybody hungry? Green beans are part of the lunch menu.



MAASAI BUSH MINISTRY

From MCDC in Nairobi, Ruby and I went to Mike and Marigold Cheshier's "Namelok Enkare" Camp and Maasai Conference Centre in the bush. Here we participated in a 3-day Maasai "Conference on the Holy Spirit" and Maasai Village Ministry.



Maasai camp workers welcome the team to camp.



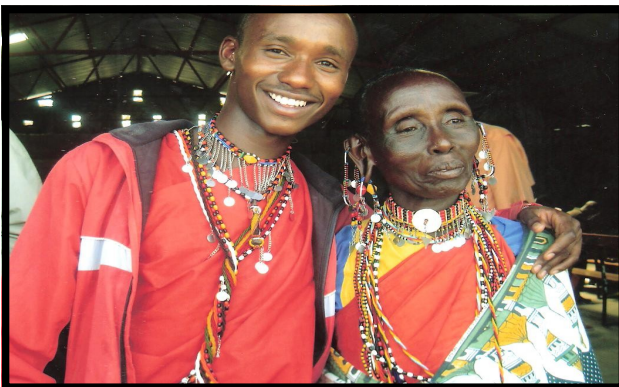
Service at the conference on the Holy Spirit.



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Ruby giving a bible to conference attendees. MIA gave out 5,000 bibles in 2010. 5,000 more have been placed on order.



Samuel and his mother at the conference.

MINISTRY NEEDS

- 1) Pray the Nairobi city officials will give the go ahead for construction of the first new classroom building at the new MCDC campus.**
- 2) Please consider helping with the expenses incurred for bringing the first 15 MCDC boys in off the streets and into a live-in dormitory building at MCDC. This is their home.**
- 3) Thank you for helping to build Maasai churches in the bush at \$3,000 each. Monies for 2-more just came in. 14-more are needed.**
- 4) Please consider helping us buy more Maasai Bibles. We have placed an order for 5,000 more at \$2.25 each.**
- 5) We still need sponsors for about 400 MCDC students at \$25 per month for K-8th and \$35 per month for 9th-12th grades.**

Thanks to each of you who partner with MIA.

As always, Ruby and I pay all of our travel expenses so your dollars go directly to the ministry.

HE is Risen!

Bob & Ruby Nell Hoke

P.S. If you sponsor a child please get your letters for them to us by June 1, 2011. Send them to our home address at 21008 N 135th Avenue, Sun City West AZ 85375. Also for information only, contributions to MIA can now be made on line at our new web site www.mercyinactionintl.org

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