

## MERCY IN ACTION INTERNATIONAL

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Dear Partners,

Bob & Ruby Nell Hoke

In Rev. 5:11-14 the bible says that John the revelator was in the Holy Spirit when he stood before the throne in heaven and heard untold number of angels, the 24 elders and the 4 living creatures all saying with a loud voice: 12) worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessings! 13b) Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb for ever and ever!

I'm so thankful we don't have to wait till we get to heaven to worship the Father and our Lord and savior Jesus the Christ. Jesus Himself said in John 4:23-24 "the hour has now come when true worshipers are to worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for the Father is <u>seeking</u> such to worship Him." We are being sought by God!

I pray our worship of the Lord manifests itself in good works as God has given each one of us a mouth to proclaim His free gift of forgiveness and salvation. In addition we have the gifts of the Father, the Son and the Holy spirit, to equip us, His church to advance the kingdom of God here on earth. Regardless of our age we all have a God called work to do. So lets praise Him, worship Him and then get to work! Time is short!

## **MATHARE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (MCDC)**



These are the brand new high school classrooms 9th through 12th grades. They are finally completed and in use.



These are the brand new dining hall tables and benches in use for the first time by all the kids at the new Dandora MCDC campus.



This is Zanabu Sabria, a 15 yr old Muslim girl who was to be taken by force by her Muslim community (men) and married to a much older Muslim man. Her older brother who is a graduate of MCDC and is now a Christian, found her, stole her away and brought her to MCDC with only the clothes on her back. We heard the story and decided on the spot to take her into the MCDC program

and let her live in the girls' dorm where she will be safe and cared for. Another young life rescued from the powers of darkness. I asked her brother was he raised a Muslim before coming to MCDC. He said yes. I asked him was Zanabu also raised a Muslim. He said yes. I asked him has she ever heard of Jesus and he said no but she will hear of Him here and become a follower of Him just as I have. Thank you Jesus and thank you partners of MIA. She couldn't smile for us this day but she will be smiling when we return this summer in June.





One of the three girls' dormitory rooms that are home to 34 girls which include Zanabu above. She will be in a room with these high school girls. They all have a story to tell—all are different but still much the same. Once was lost but now am found!



These are some of the pre-high school girls that live in one of the dorm rooms. They are shown here being loved on by Auntie Ruby and Mama Jane.



This is Jeannine, the office administrator for Mercy In Action, taking care of the ministry books and getting the sponsored children's letters and new pictures.

## **MAASAI BUSH MINISTRY**





We always look forward to arriving at Mike and Marigold's bush camp and being greeted once again by our Maasai brothers and sisters in Christ. Shown with me is Buck Langsford from Lee's Summit, MO. on his second trip to Africa but his first trip to the bush for ministry.



Ruby was one of several women speakers at two different women's conferences put on by Marigold Cheshier with Firewind Ministries. She also got to host a side class of women at a conference in Nairobi. Lives were saved and changed.







Bob taught a week long hermeneutics course entitled "Ten principles For Interpreting Scripture" to 18 African students who have all qualified for the 18-month KAG School of Ministry located at Mike and Marigold's bush camp tabernacle. Their certificates will be equal to those who graduate from East Theological Seminary in Nairobi. They are preparing for their call into teaching, preaching, evangelism and other areas of ministry for the Lord Jesus.



Overall it was another wonderful trip of ministry to the "least of these" and we are once again so thankful for each one of you partners for your love, prayers and financial support for what God is doing in Kenya through Mercy in Action.

As always, Ruby and I pay for all our travel expenses so your dollar goes to the Lord's work.

Remember, He is Risen!!

**Bob & Ruby Nell Hoke** 

## P.S.

Just a reminder. We can only carry in your cards, letters and pictures for your sponsored children. No more small gifts please. The thoughts are wonderful, we just can't carry them all in. Instead consider donating to the MIA party fund. About every 2-3 years we take the money and put on a party for all MCDC children. It always includes a fried chicken dinner (which some have never had) a bottle of soda and cake for dessert. This way every child gets the same thing (no jealousy) whether they are sponsored or not. Thank you for your understanding.

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