



December, 2011

DECEMBER 2011: Great News! We have a new well in Kenya. Our 160 meter deep well has a good yield and we are waiting to hear the results of the water quality test. We continue dealing with the famine. We are distributing bags of maize and beans to primary schools to feed the children. Food is being provided to those in great need. HHI's Ebenezer Udofia returned to our area in September to work with Justus Mutua's self help groups. Working together with HHI more people received mini-grants for start up businesses in livestock, produce and fabric marketing, etc. More drip irrigation kits were distributed. Ebenezer is distributing food and teaching village food production workshops all over Kenya.

My trip to the Meals from the Heartland event in Des Moines, IA created new contacts. In the 4 days 15,000 volunteers packaged 4 million meals. We received word Monday that our application for one container of meals (285,000 meals) for Kenya has been approved. The meals would be distributed through the Caring for Kenya, Healing Hands, and Nairobi Great Commission School network of contacts.

September and October visits to churches renewed interest and generated new supporters for God's work in Kenya. East Park in Danville, IL is a new partner. In addition to support from congregations and families, we are developing grant proposals to government agencies, foundations, companies, and Rotary Clubs in hopes of funding additional projects in Kenya. Rotary Clubs in Illinois and Arkansas are interested in helping provide clean quality water in Kenya. We hope to get Kenya Rotary Clubs involved and then seek a Rotary International matching grant. I am exploring possible partnerships with farm organization such as the Farm Bureau and the Farmer-to-Farmer Program. Gates Foundation and

Monsanto Foundation grants are being written. Possible funding is being sought through the US Agency for International Development (USAID) "Feed the Future" program.

Ruth Ann and I attended the Global Mission Conference in Texas in October. We learned a number of things that will be helpful for the work in Kenya. In December I will be representing both Caring for Kenya and Healing Hands International at the ECHO Agriculture Missions Conference in Fort Myers, Florida. My presentation at the conference will be "Helping People Help Themselves: Agricultural Workshops and Micro-finance Start-up Businesses". The conference will be an opportunity to network with other groups who are working to increase food production in 3rd world countries.



As Caring for Kenya has partnered with Healing Hands over the last 3 years we have been able to impact the lives of many people. This month I agreed

to become the Assistant Agricultural Director for Healing Hands. Serving as both CfK Director and HHI Assistant Agriculture Director will enhance my opportunities to raise funds and build networks allowing us share God's love with a greater number of people. More than one billion people, nearly 1/6 of the world's population, suffer from chronic hunger. Each year more than 3.5 million children die from malnutrition. With God's help and our hearts and hands thousands of lives can be saved from starvation. As we meet physical needs we create opportunities for Africans to bring Africans to Christ.

As Caring for Kenya (CfK) meets physical needs we create opportunities to meet spiritual needs. CfK seeks ways to improve the lives of people and to “help people help themselves”. Listed below are ways others can assist through agriculture, education, health care, water, and community development start-up businesses. All donations are tax deductible.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

FAMINE RELIEF

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| 1. Bag of maize | \$50.00 |
| 2. Bag of beans | \$70.00 |

FOOD PRODUCTION & START-UP BUSINESSES

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| 1. Provide a drip irrigation kit for a family to produce vegetables | \$15.00 |
| 2. Purchase 10 baby chicks and starter feed | \$10.00 |
| 3. Purchase a bred goat for a family | \$25.00 |
| 4. Purchase a bred doe rabbit, and a bag of rabbit feed | \$50.00 |
| 5. Purchase a donkey to carry water and pull a cart | \$100.00 |
| 6. Purchase an oxen to pull a single bottom plow | \$125.00 |
| 7. Provide a sewing machine | \$135.00 |
| 8. Provide start-up grants for small businesses | \$100.00 |

EDUCATION

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| 1. Provide a school & personal hygiene packet for a student | \$10.00 |
| 2. Help build a school ... buy bricks and a bag of cement | \$15.00 |
| 3. Sponsor the education of a secondary school day student | \$150.00 |
| 4. Sponsor the education of a secondary school boarding student | \$500.00 |

MEDICAL CARE

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| 1. Treat a patient for typhoid and malaria | \$10.00 |
| 2. Purchase basic medical supplies for the clinic | \$50.00 |
| 3. Provide clean water (buy a water filter) | \$50.00 |

WATER

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| 1. Provide a water filter for a family | \$50.00 |
| 2. Fund a hand dug 35 foot deep well | \$1,500.00 |
| 3. Add an additional water kiosk to the existing deep wells | \$2000.00 |
| 4. Drill a deep well, buy the pump, set up the water tank | \$25,000.00 |

If donations are made in memory of or in honor of someone, a card can be mailed by or provided to you by Caring for Kenya. If you would like to have the card mailed please provide the name and complete address.

To donate make check to
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Mail to: Caring for Kenya
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KENYA



Ebenezer teaching food production



Justus and Ebenezer teaching drip irrigation



Electronics start up business



Grocery and fabric start up business



Showing the children the well



Water running at the new well