





September 2024 "When you go through
deep waters, I will be
with you. When you go
through rivers of
difficulty, you will not
drown." Isaiah 43:2

We want to thank the Lord for this beautiful promise; 2024 has had its share of deep waters and difficulties. True to His Word, God has been with us! Kenya has received heavy rains for months, and since most of our driving is "off-road," our exhausted vehicles have experienced extra wear and tear.



JFM has three vehicles that have been workhorses for the ministry: a 1997 Toyota Prado and two 2007 Indian-made trucks. For most of 2024, at least one has been out of commission, and at times, all have been down! Our brother Steve, from Olney Community Church, was with us in Kenya for nearly five months in 2024 and witnessed the transportation difficulty firsthand. He asked if he could write to you all about the issue.



JFM Church Member-lan Saitabau and Steve Barkemeyer

### Message from Steve:

My name is Steve Barkemeyer, and I just returned to the U.S. after a threemonth stay in Kenya. I am writing this to make known an urgent need the JFM team has. The roads in Kenya are so rough it is hard to believe unless you have been there. The JFM vehicles are quite old and are causing a steady financial burden to the ministry because of constant repair costs.

JFM Kenya needs at least two late-model (2018 - 2020) used vehicles suitable for off-road driving on extremely rough terrain where the ministry teams travel. Because of high import duty fees, vehicles cost more in Kenya, which means each used vehicle would cost \$70,000. (A NEW Toyota Land Cruiser 70 Series is \$118,000!) I know that is a lot of money, but this is a need, not a want, and I know the LORD can provide; however, the LORD uses people to complete His plans. So, if our LORD has blessed you and you wish to pass that blessing on, please join me in contributing to the cost of these vehicles so the Gospel can continue to be spread into new areas. -Steve



**Entapipi Jesus Frees Ministries Education Center is growing!** 

Currently, our Preschool Play Group is meeting in the church, and in January 2025, we will start a 1st-grade class. That means, praise God, we need two new classrooms!

TONES	600	@ \$0.64 ea.	=	\$384
CEMENT	30	@ \$7.20 ea.	=	\$216
SAND	1 truck	@ \$192 load	=	\$192
GRAVEL	1 truck	@ \$264 load	=	\$264
REBAR	16 pcs	@ \$12.00 ea.	=	\$192
DOORS	2	@ \$104 ea.	=	\$208
LIGHTS	4	@ \$12.00 ea.	=	\$48
SOCKETS	4	@ \$9.60 ea.	=	\$38
WIRING	1	@ \$64.00	=	\$64
LUMBER	750 pcs	@ \$0.80 ea.	=	\$600
CEILING	30 pcs	@ \$7.20 ea.	-	\$216
PAINTING	1	@ \$168.00	=	\$168
LABOR	30 days	@ \$36.00 day	=	\$1,080
DESKS	30	@ \$25.60 ea.	=	\$768
UNFORSEEN	1	@ \$96.00	=	\$96

Currently, \$600 has been raised.

If you would like to help with this project, click here to donate.

To designate your gift for the classrooms or specific building materials, please click here to email Cheryl.

## **Entapipi JFM Education Center**



Thank you for helping us build our 2 – new classrooms!

**God Bless You!** 



### Praise God, for the things He has done!

It was Tuesday, August 13, 2024. Mike and I were driving from the JFM Church. That day, the church had an outreach at the Tuesday open-air market. At the close of the outreach, it began to rain, so we loaded the speakers and equipment in the Prado and dropped them at the church. We were halfway to the rental house when the ball-joint on the front axle broke, and the Prado sunk into the mud! There was no way we could continue. Both trucks were out of commission and this latest issue meant all three vehicles were down! We had a mission planned to Kisima to visit the newest JFM church plant. We were to leave in 3 days. Prayer time, for sure!

Mike called Pastor Ruben's son, Nandi, and asked him to rescue us with the motorcycle. Mike went home first to get some tools and rain gear. I quickly loaded up as much as I could carry in my backpack. This would be my first "piki-piki" (motorbike) ride in Kenya, and it was an adventure! It was raining, muddy, and bumpy!

After getting into the house and changing into dry clothes, I noticed a puddle on the floor beside my backpack. My heart sank! In the rush, I failed to lock the lid on my thermos! With every bump, my laptop was getting soaked in green tea! None of the normal cures produced results. The situation looked bleak! We prayed over that laptop multiple times and called Rich Mayer, our JFM board member and founder of Solutions Computing (www.solutionscomputings.com). Rich has helped us so many times. He suggested having a tech in Kenya remove the SSD memory card

and transfer it to an external hard drive.



Computer Tech, Luke, with Mike and Cheryl

The tech found the computer inoperable; however, the memory card was intact and saved. Amazingly, when the tech returned the memory card, the laptop came on and worked perfectly! Our prayers were answered after one month, at the 11th hour and the 59th minute.

We trust in the One who said, "When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown." Praise His Holy Name!



Wilson Legei and Edwin Kasimpa

### **Bible School Students**

Praise God for Wilson Legei and Edwin Kasimpa, from the JFM Chumvi Church. These young men have a ministry call on their lives. Last month, they started Bible School. They will attend one week per month for two and a half years.

May God bless their sponsors, who have made these studies possible.

Praise God for the new JFM Church in Kisima, Kenya!

Thank God, Mike was able to repair the Prado and we made the 5-hour drive to Kisima. What a fabulous time of worship and fellowship! We are thankful for the great work Pastor Musa Lalatap and his wife are doing!





We are so thankful for the continued support of the Voice of the Martyrs.

VOM has once again helped us with Bibles! Praise God! The Bibles came in just in time for us to take some to Kisima!



# Please join us in praying for these ministry needs:

**Please pray for** the JFM pastors and churches as they preach the Gospel and for the Kenyan people to turn to Jesus for salvation.

**Please pray for** our sponsored students, our schools, and the safety of the construction workers working on the JFM projects.

Please pray for Wilson Legei and Edwin Kasimpa as they attend Bible School.

### Please join us in praying for friends of JFM:

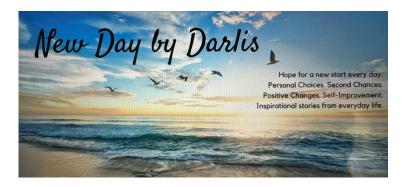
**Pastor Mark Garrett,** pastor of The Well in Hemet, California, needs a miracle as he journeys through some critical cancer treatment. Let's join together and pray for this dear brother.

**Susan Turner** is suffering from a severe form of cancer. Susan needs a miracle. We thank God she is continuing to feel better! We know that nothing is too complicated for our mighty God!

**Paul Friedrich** is undergoing cancer treatment. Please join us as we pray for pain relief and a complete healing miracle for our friend.

**Jan Reichardt** A dear friend of JFM, is asking for guidance and healing as she battles another form of cancer.

**JFM Vice President, Pastor Thomas Lowery** is suffering from complications of SCA-6. Continue to pray for the Lord to give him restful sleep, relief from cluster headaches, and overall healing.



Darlis Sailors, a dear friend of JFM, posts a weekly blog. If you need encouragement, we highly recommend

New Day by Darlis

May the Holy Spirit guide you, may the grace of Yeshua help you in every situation, and may the love of the Father flow through you! God bless you and keep you and make His face to shine upon you and give you peace!

Mike, Cheryl and the JFM Team

The Holy Spirit may be speaking to you about contributing to His work in Kenya. If so, you can click on the donate button below to use a credit card or access PayPal. You can also use the mailing address (please note the change of address):

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