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**March 2026 - A New Church Building in Time For Resurrection Sunday!**



**The Ol Daraja Church Building Was Falling Apart**

**Last month, we announced that work would soon begin on a new building for the JFM branch in Ol Daraja. As you can see in the picture above, the old building was falling apart, and the roof was leaking terribly.**



**This month, Mike and his crew began preparing the ground, building the walls and trusses, doors and windows, and erecting the building. The church members have been praying earnestly for this day to come.**





**Mike and his work crew are now completing the final steps. They are cementing the church floor and building a new latrine.**



**The existing latrine, seen behind the children in this picture, is barely standing. Latrine toilets are necessary because there is no running water in this remote area.**

**JFM is grateful to the Lord for putting it on the hearts of the congregation of Bethel Church in Lake Jackson, Texas, to help these precious brothers and sisters build a good place to worship the Lord, just in time for this Resurrection Sunday 2026! Matthew 28:5-6 tells us, "Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as He said would happen..." Hallelujah! He is risen!**



**The JFM branch in Wamba, pastored by Morris Lenkupae, is one of our most recent church plants.**

**We took the team to see how this new church was doing. The trip to Wamba was extremely rough, the journey long, and it was so worth the minor inconveniences. When we arrived, a path lined with beautiful church members greeted us in song! A delicious meal of camel meat was prepared with traditional Kenyan side dishes. The Sunday service was wonderful.**



The congregation  
of the  
JFM Wamba  
Church



Steve and Marissa taught the Sunday School children, Mike and I shared the Word and several children made Jesus their Lord and Savior!



JFM  
Wamba  
Pastor  
Morris  
Lenkupae  
(Left)



Many  
children  
responded  
to the  
Gospel

Our JFM-sponsored Entapipi Primary School is doing GREAT!

We finished our first term of the 2026 school year on March 31st with an enrollment of 128 students! The little students took their exams and performed very well. The students and the teachers deserve a break to rest. They will return the last week of April.





Our JFM-sponsored students, Martin and Yvonne, received school shoes this month! Marissa gave Yvonne a beautiful dress and a jean jacket. These kiddos were so thankful!



The Barkemeyers and Carson Turner had safe travels back home!

The Barkemeyer's and Carson's flights needed to be rescheduled because of the conflict in the Middle East. It was such a blessing to have them in Kenya serving the Lord with us. The Sunday School children sang a special goodbye, thank-you song to Steve and Marissa. Carson made gifts for the JFM workers, and he cooked a delicious spaghetti farewell lunch.



Steve and Marissa spent 3 months in Kenya bringing the Word of God to life for these Sunday School children.

#### Saying Goodbye to the JFM Work Crew



Before heading to the airport, we stopped to see our JFM worker Jack, his wife, and their new baby boy! Both of Jack's parents are disabled, and Jack became one of our sponsored students when he was in 8th grade. Jack is our tent technician, electrician, and the JFM "Jack of all trades," literally! God has blessed JFM to have wonderful workers like Jack!

## Saying Hello to a New Baby and Goodbye to Good Friends



**Please join us in praying for these ministry needs:**

**Please pray for** our 2026 outreaches in Kenya that people will turn to Jesus for salvation as the JFM missionaries, pastors, evangelists, and church members share the Good News.

**Please pray for** JFM's 95 sponsored students, our schools, and safety for those working at the JFM Headquarters and our schools.

**Please pray for** God to supply for JFM's financial needs. As JFM continues to grow, we know that our faithful Lord will meet every need!

**Please pray with us** for the funds to build two new classrooms at our JFM Entapipi Primary School.



**Please continue praying for Paul Minyarit, a young man who loves the Lord and is a member of the JFM Oloruko Church. Paul is a JFM-sponsored college student. He is a bright student, but is no longer able to attend college due to kidney failure. Please pray for Paul. He needs a miracle.**

**Please join us in praying for these dear friends of JFM:**

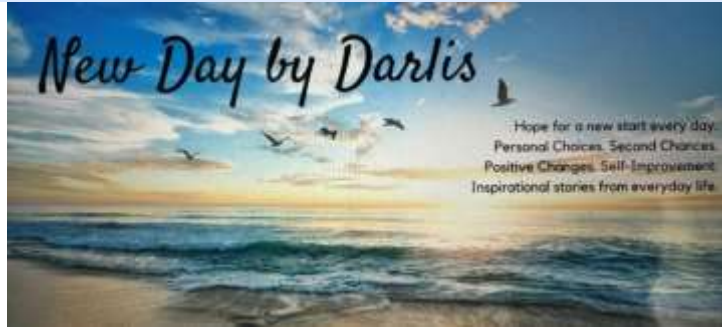
**Pastor Mark Garrett**, of The Well in Hemet, California, is battling cancer and needs a miracle.

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

**Paul Dixon** needs complete healing from cancer.

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Darlis Sailors, a dear friend of JFM, posts a weekly blog. If you need encouragement, we highly recommend [New Day by Darlis](#)



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**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**

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