

JESUS FREES MINISTRIES Serving the People of East Africa

January 2021 - In Difficult Times Our God is Faithful! New Year's Greetings from Mike and Cheryl

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." Lamentations 3:22-24



Mike and Cheryl sharing the Word at the JFM Chumvi Church

MINISTRIES

Amid the trials, great things are happening here in Kenya. December and January are our busiest months of the year and this season was no exception!



We hope your Christmas was memorable. We spent ours out in the "Kenya bush" delivering gifts to the JFM Pastors and their children. We also had a great fellowship meal, but instead of "chestnuts roasting on an open fire," it was "sheep roasting on an open fire..."



A big thank you to our friends at Calvary Chapel Bartlesville and several others who sent donations to make Christmas a special time for our JFM Pastors, their families and many Kenyan children! It was exciting for us to pass along your love gifts! God bless you all!



If you didn't get to read our 2020 Christmas letter and the JFM New Year's letter of what the Lord has accomplished in the 2020 reporting period, you will find them below.

We love you and thank God for your continued prayers and support! Missionaries Mike and Cheryl

Covid-19 Lockdown Ends for Kenyan Schools!!!



January 6th 2021 our JFM Entapipi School reopened after the 2020 Covid-19 lockdown !





One of the most exciting events of the New Year was the reopening of our JFM Entapipi School after a long lockdown because of the Corona Virus!!!

Shortly after the school reopened on January 6, 2021 enrollment was nearing 40 students! Praise God for this!

A big thank you to Pastor Sherry Cox for providing hats and face masks for the students!

We would love for you to see this short video of these precious children, just click on the link below.

You'll love this little 2-minute video... CLICK HERE TO WATCH



JFM Gitathi-ini Sunday School Class with their teacher, Emily Wairimu

The JFM churches are doing great and one church has planted 2 more churches!!! God is good!!! The government has just given permission for Sunday School classes to resume! These children say, "Asante sana - Thank you!" to the Westside Missions Team for the new Sunday School room!



The Kenyan children and youth who have American sponsors through Jesus

Frees Ministries is growing. Praise God! Now 37 children and youth from ages 4- 24 are being helped with their school fees. Sponsors bring hope to children! If you would like to help a child, please click on the button to get more information:

INFORMATION ON SPONSORING A CHILD

Prayer and Praise

Let's Praise God Together:

George Ebejer survived Covid-19 and is encouraged in his battle against cancer! LeeAnn Parks is also receiving good news in her battle with cancer! Covid-19 Cases and Deaths in Kenya continue to decrease! Mike and Cheryl are well and have been strong and healthy since returning to Kenya!

Let's Pray Together:

For peace to reign during this trying time and for COVID-19 to be finished! For people to turn to Jesus for hope and salvation during this time and always! The JFM Kenyan Churches to withstand the attacks of the enemy!

Please continue to pray for these specific needs for American friends of JFM:

Healing and strength for George Ebejer, Mike's cousin who is battling cancer Healing and strength for LeeAnn Parks, Cheryl's cousin who is battling cancer Healing and strength for Peggy, the Donehue's Mom who is battling cancer Healing and strength for Betty Lew, Verlie Benline's dear friend who is battling cancer Healing and strength for JFM's children's worker "Babu Dan" Dan Dimas as he awaits a liver transplant

Healing and strength for Mike's parents as they are facing some health challenges



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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!

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December 2020

Season's Greetings from Kenya!

The beauty of Christmas isn't found in a lovely tree or colorful decorations. It's not even found in sweet family gatherings. The beauty of this celebrated event is the profound effect the birth of the Messiah, Yeshua... Jesus, had and continues to have on humanity.

It started with Mary, His mother. Before her encounter with Jesus, her simple life was common but after meeting Him in the humble manger she would never be the same again. It was the same for Mary Magdalene. After her encounter with Jesus, her tragic demon-filled life was transformed to a vibrant, passionate worshipper of Christ. The blind man, the lame man, the adulterous Samaritan woman of John chapter 4 and the missionary to the Gentiles, Paul the Apostle, after meeting Jesus they were all made new! They used to be one way and after Jesus, miraculously they were another way! Over the past 14 years Jesus Frees Ministries has been introducing thousands of Kenyans to Jesus and seeing lives be made new. Lives like the pagan Maasai, Ruben Kiloku; the Muslim, Amina Abugdo; the Samburu warrior, Kuye and countless others have been transformed. It was the same for us, one day we were one way then we met the Savior of the World, Jesus, and we were never the same again! We were born-again and now we live this new life to please our Lord and introduce Him to all those who haven't yet experienced this wonderful new way of being human!

Looking back to that first Christmas in Bethlehem we see that, for the Jewish people, it was a time of turmoil, uncertainty, confusion, and fear... then Jesus arrived on the scene! As Christmas 2020 approaches you may find yourselves experiencing some of these same feelings. This is our prayer for you...

Precious Lord Jesus, at this season when we remember your entrance into the world, we ask you to encourage our dear family and precious friends who have been such an encouragement to us. Please fill them with your joy that supersedes any circumstance. Please assure them that this world YOU created remains in YOUR capable hands and in YOUR wise control. May health replace sickness, may truth replace confusion and may peace replace fear. "Now all glory to God Who is able, through HIS mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more that we might ask or think." Amen!

We love you and wish you a Merry Christmas and a much better 2021. Mike and Cheryl Freese and the Board of Jesus Frees Ministries

January 2021

New Year's Greetings!

When we come to the beginning of a new year it is blessing to look back to see what the Lord has made possible in the previous year. Even with the challenges of Covid-19, by the grace of God and with the help of dear friends like you, in 2020 we have seen God's hand at work!

In January 2020, the JFM Entapipi Education Center opened for its second year! Quality education continued to the less fortunate Maasai children. Our excellent teachers are not only teaching the children to speak English, to read, write and do math... THEY ARE TEACHING THEM ABOUT JESUS AND HOW MUCH JESUS LOVES THEM! The teacher's apartment, bathing room and school kitchen were finished. In 2019 all the cooking for the children was done outside, now a large steel and brick energy efficient, wood-cooking stove, a kitchen dishwashing station and two large kitchen steel storage shelves have been constructed. JFM Entapipi Education Center gained countywide recognition from government leaders as the best school in its category! The children never want to go home at the end of the day!

In addition, we are happy to report that sponsors from all over America are helping JFM assist 36 less-fortunate Kenyan students go to school. These students are helped with mandatory school fees, uniforms, shoes, books, supplies, and school meals. Regular meetings are held to encourage and train these students to strive for excellence.

In February, a 16-person Missions Team from Chula Vista, California assisted JFM by ministering for 15 days to over 3000 Kenyans. Needed buildings were constructed, leadership and Bible training was taught, and orphaned babies were given care. The

team taught special field relay-games in 7-schools and they also taught about Jesus. Hundreds accepted Him!

In 2018 God provided the funds to drill a 520-foot well. A stone pumphouse was constructed in 2019 and in 2020 God provided the funds for the 3-phase well pump, the solar panels to run the pump and a 10,000-liter storage tank. By July 2020 all the well equipment was installed, and the water began flowing! Praise God for this great blessing!

During this period, charity relief was given to 43-less fortunate Kenyan families. This assistance was given to help with food relief, rent assistance, disaster relief, medical, hospital and Hospice charges. Village orphans also received food relief and supplies. Christmas gifts of food and relief assistance totaling \$3,192.00 was given to the JFM pastors and 90 less-fortunate children.

By God's grace, as of December 2020 He has helped us plant 12 churches in Kenya. In March 2020, 15-JFM pastors met for a 4-day leadership conference. We are thankful that three more JFM pastors earned their degree in Biblical Studies and another earned a certificate. Weekly lessons and coloring pages were provided for the children in all the JFM churches. We are excited to report that during this reporting period 248 Kenyans made commitments to Christ and 47 were baptized, 482 Bibles and 73 solar powered audio Bibles in several Kenyan dialects were distributed!

Thank you so much! You have helped us serve the people of Kenya for another year!

In Christ's Love and for His glory,

Missionaries Mike and Cheryl Freese and the JFM Board of Directors



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