



OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP SIMON

Dear Simon ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

In Matthew 25:40, Jesus says, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." This means that when we help someone in need and support His works, we serve Jesus himself. When we serve Jesus, we bring joy to God's heart.



My heart is always glad as we joyfully share with you the doings of the Lord! He makes His love known to the unreached and least-reached tribes of Kenya by

providing funds to make His Word known to them! He is the father to our children in the Home of the Good Shepherd; providing for them through you brothers and sisters! He is the Lead administrator in our Pastors' school; preparing faithful stewards to win souls for Him! He is the Lead rabbi at the Little Lambs Academy; developing the next generation of leaders and career persons!

Thank you for your prayers and generous donations to this course of transforming lives through the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of your love, support, and prayers, we will continue to spread and share God's love and grace with all nations. Every life transformed through you brings joy not only to those converted but also to God. It is my prayer that His joy will be your strength to help you in every aspect of your life!

We love you! We appreciate you! God bless you!



Some of the children at the Naupanguruki Preschool.

MISSION TO THE UNREACHED

SCNV PRESCHOOL VISIT

The third academic term in the seventeen Samburu County Nkalup Vision (SCNV) preschools started on 28th

August. This was after a two-week holiday that saw the children spend time with their caregivers. The preschools have received the food for the month of September because of the support from Faith Ventures Inc. and the Harvey-McNairy Foundation. The support has also helped to stipend the teachers in the preschools.

The SCNV ECDE superintendent, Nancy Njuguna, visited the preschools in Waso and Wamba Divisions from the 19th of September to the 22nd of September. The visits were successful with the help of an administration kitty offered in the pre-schools budget. The two divisions are experiencing a drought that has drinking water scarce. Livestock, the only source of livelihood in the region, have died due to the drought while the remaining few have driven to other counties in search of pasture and water. The migration by pastoralists has led to conflicts between them and farmers.

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THE HARVEY-MCNAIRY FOUNDATION GRANT

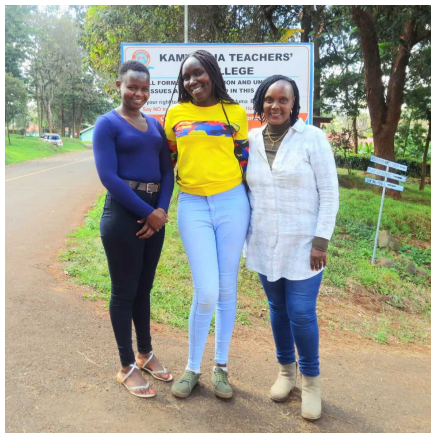
The McNairy family, John, Leigh, and their daughter MeMe have been instrumental in reaching the unreached tribes in Samburu County. The family are longtime friends of Bill and Phyllis Johnson of Faith Ventures Inc. who have been partners of Samburu County Nkalup Vision (SCNV) since its inception. The McNairys have been donating funds to the SCNV used to purchase relief foods for the Samburu villages and SCNV preschool children. The funds also help construct SCNV and GGFAN churches among the Lchamus and the Rendile tribes.



John and Leigh McNairy with Bishop Simon and Julius during their US Visit.

Bishop Simon and Julius connected with the McNairys during their US visit. They discussed reaching the Samburu tribe through SCNV. Through collaboration with Faith Ventures Inc., the Harvey-McNairy Foundation has given the Samburu people a huge grant. This grant will help in funding famine relief programs, SCNV church constructions, SCNV preschool children feeding, and stipending the SCNV preschool teachers.

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From left: Patricia (social worker), Rebecca Amana and Rev Lucy Thuo on Rebecca's college admission day.

MERCY MINISTRY

HOME OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Home of the Good Shepherd (HOTGS) is a charitable children's institution started in 2007 by Bishop Simon Mwaura and his wife Reverend Lucy to take care of orphaned and vulnerable children. We take vulnerable and abandoned children into the safety of our home where they can begin to heal their trauma. We strive to provide these children with food, shelter, clothing, and education to

help them achieve their potential and realize their dreams. Social workers reunite the children with their communities by finding and empowering the right foster families. Since its inception, over 130 children have been nurtured and successfully reintegrated back the society. Currently, we have 112 children under our care.

In September, four students out of the nine who were waiting to join tertiary institutions joined different colleges. Mark Kariuki, Peter Maina, Phillip Kinyanjui, and Rebecca Amana sat for their National Examinations late last year and attained good grades that have enabled them to pursue good courses.

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AGRICULTURE

Improving the livelihoods of the people we are reaching with the Gospel of Jesus Christ is our main aim as the GGFAN Agriculture Department.

Agriculture is the major income-generating activity in Kenya not only to the farmers but also to those working in the agro-based industries. We are striving to transform communities by training them on how to employ modern and effective farming methods to ensure maximum yield that translates to employment and better incomes.



Planting ongoing for the GGFAN Agri Expo 2024.

In September, we have been monitoring the projects run by our regional experts as well as the formation of their co-operatives. We also harvested corn and prepared silage for future use at the Home of the Good Shepherd. In preparation for the GGFAN-Laikipia Agri Expo 2024, we have also held meetings with interested stakeholders to make plans for the show.

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EMPOWERMENT
REJOICE WITH ME!



GGFAN Leaders at Overseer Charles' Wedding.

My name is Charles Emuria, the GGFAN Regional Overseer in Isiolo and pastor of the GGFAN Kakiri Church. I was born and raised in a typical Turkana culture. As the firstborn male, there are chronological traditions that I have to undertake such as the rite of passage. Failure to honor our traditions can result in death and

punishment. They connect individuals to their roots and origin.

To God be the glory for saving me from these outdated traditions. He made it possible for me to get saved; I am a living testimony of salvation through Jesus Christ. Upon getting saved, I refused to engage in the rituals since I considered them demonic. My parents urged me to undertake them since I was their firstborn son but I did not. This caused me to be separated from my family. My fate was death as a penalty for my defiance.

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PRAYER ITEMS

Thank God for the:

- * People we are reaching with the Gospel in Samburu.
- * Grants to reach the unreached tribes in Samburu and educate our children.
- * HOTGS children who joined colleges in September 2023.
- * Harvest at the Home of the Good Shepherd.
- * Cooperatives formed by the regional agricultural experts.

Pray for the:

- * People affected by drought in Samburu.
- * Children and preschools in Samburu County.
- * HOTGS children who have joined colleges.
- * HOTGS and LLA candidates preparing for their final end-level examinations.
- * Regional agricultural experts' second-phase projects and upcoming cooperatives.

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through our ministry for the glory of His great name? Click here to learn [how you can help!](#)

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