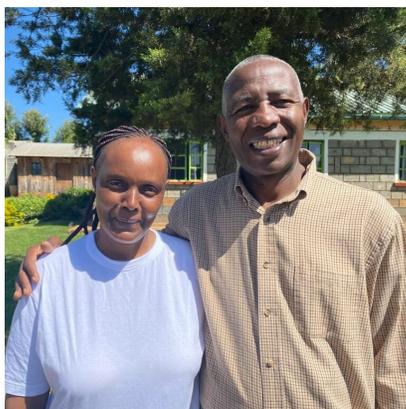




JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM SIMON AND LUCY

Dear friends,

As we welcome the New Year, we remember the words in Proverbs 3:5-6 which say, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." We have trusted the Lord's love and guidance throughout the year, and He has been faithful.

The Lord is faithful to the unreached people whom He desires that they may know Him! He has provided funds to reach them, feed them, and educate their

children! To the sixty-one students in our pastors' school, whom we are equipping to share God's love with their communities, the Lord has given them the unending zeal to seek a deeper understanding of His Word! What a good shepherd He is to our 113 children in the orphanage! His grace is sufficient to provide their food, shelter, clothes, and tuition fees to replace their hardships and trauma with the joy and hope of a brighter future!

We are witnessing His love in our 330 primary school students, whom we are developing holistically. He has rewarded the effort put in by our teachers by making the students excel in academics and other fields! The Lord enables us to transform lives and livelihoods through agriculture! He has provided a favorable climate, resulting in bountiful harvests for us and our congregants!

The Lord has given us loyal friends who support His mission in GGFAN through prayers and finances. Your friendship and support for God's glory have made all accomplishments possible. You have made His purpose your mission, which has undoubtedly brought Him joy, the joy that is our strength in all!

Our family and GGFAN wish you a blessed, happy, prosperous, and God-driven year 2024! Your friendship blesses us, and we look forward to even better partnerships in the New Year. God bless you, our brothers and sisters in Christ!

Happy New Year! We love you!

MISSIONS TO THE UNREACHED

Actualizing The Vision

In 2002, Bishop Simon Mwaura received a calling from the Lord to reach the reached and the unreached people groups in Kenya. The call came while he was in the USA attending a Global Focus meeting that sought to train churches about missions. Since 2002, Bishop Simon Mwaura has been responding to this call through training and sending missionaries, mobilizing churches to support missions, collaborating with other denominations, and meeting the physical and felt needs of people in Northern Kenya. In 2008, he founded God's Grace For All Nations (GGFAN) with his wife, Reverend Lucy Thuo. GGFAN's vision is that all the 122 tribes of Kenya would have access to the Gospel of God's love. Twenty-one years since Simon's calling, the Lord has walked with us, GGFAN, helping us to continue making the vision a reality.



SCNV church construction.

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The KCPE candidates from HOTGS.

MERCY MINISTRY

What A Good Shepherd He Is!

We acknowledge the Almighty God for His abundant love and grace that has enabled us to reach this far! The selfless actions of Reverend Lucy Thuo to feed the street children in Nyahururu town in 2005 led to the establishment of the Home of the

Good Shepherd (HOTGS) in 2007. The HOTGS aims to care for, develop, and nurture orphaned and vulnerable children in the community.

As of December 2023, this safe place has grown and graduated 130 children from young children into mature, responsible adults. 113 children are currently under our care. God has been a loving father and a faithful shepherd to our children throughout the sixteen years of our existence. We have seen Him heal traumas, provide funds, improve school performance, and protect our children in their daily life activities.

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Self-Sustainability 2023

Jesus Christ says, "...my purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life." (John 10:10 NLT). These words laid the foundation for establishing the agriculture department in 2020 to empower vulnerable families and elevate them to self-sustainability; enabling them to support themselves with agricultural empowerment will help people have stable incomes and lead content lives as Jesus intended.



The HOTGS Garden.

Our department works with twelve agricultural experts in the eleven GGFAN regions to help train people on best agricultural practices. We are also responsible for the HOTGS farms that provide the children at Home of the

Good Shepherd (HOTGS) and Little Lambs Academy (LLA) with enough food. In 2023, we introduced the GGFAN-Laikipia Agri Show, which allows farmers to interact with different stakeholders in the agriculture industry.

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The GGFAN Annual Conference 2023

CHURCH EMPOWERMENT

He Is Faithful Indeed!

In 2001, Bishop Simon started his first church in a remote place called Wanjohi in Nyandarua County. The church had seventeen members who met in a rented shopfront for fellowship. Bishop Simon did not understand the Lord's grand plans for him back then. His knowledge of

God's plan came about in 2002 when he received a clear calling to reach the unreached people of Kenya. In 2008, he founded God's Grace For All Nations (GGFAN) with his wife, Reverend Lucy Thuo.

GGFAN has become a well-established ministry in Kenya for the last fifteen years. Currently, we have over eighty churches with a membership of more than 3,200 members. These churches are distributed in our eleven GGFAN regions: Nyahururu, Subukia, Isiolo, Marsabit, Nakuru, Lchamus, Kipipiri, Shamata, Olkalou, Bahati, and Samburu.

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The LLA Music festival team.

EDUCATION

The Future Is Always Brighter!

In 2018, the Lord tasked us with creating the next generation of Kenyan leaders. He did this by providing funds and facilities to start a school that would offer educational opportunities to the Home of the Good Shepherd children and the children from

the community. The school began with sixty students, four classes, and few

teachers. However, the future was bright, and this humble beginning led to greatness. As of December 2023, our school has grown to 330 students, eighteen teachers, eighteen classrooms, a science laboratory, a computer laboratory, and a home economic kitchen. The school offers classes from kindergarten to grade nine.

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The Pastor's School Progress

The GGFAN – Pan African Christian University (PAC) Pastor's School has experienced much growth since accreditation in 2022. The new cohort of students in our Nyahururu and Ilchamus campuses has increased to sixty-one in 2023. These students continue to be trained and equipped as faithful overseers and stewards. Our



The Ilchamus campus class.

partnership with the Pan African Christian University enables us to teach students using the latest and legally recognized materials. The teachers from the PAC tirelessly work to ensure that all of our students are on par with the knowledge that will help transform their lives and those of the people around them. It is not just a matter of finishing the class and graduating but also having a deeper understanding of God and self!

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PRAYER ITEMS

Thank God for the:

- * Souls won, and lives transformed with the Gospel in 2023.
- * Successful U.S. visits by Bishop Simon, Rev Julius, and Nancy.
- * Our existing friends and donors, as well as our new ones.
- * Church construction and preschool in Samburu.
- * Favourable climate, successful projects and training by the Agriculture team.
- * Good health and progress of our HOTGS and LLA children.
- * Excellent academic improvement and performance by all our children.
- * Determined students and teachers in our pastor's school.

Pray for:

- * God's guidance and provision in the new year.

- * Entire GGFAN ministry.
- * Donors and friends supporting our missions.
- * Our congregants and pastor's students in the Lchamus.
- * Churches and preschools in Samburu.
- * Success of the regional expert's cooperatives and projects.
- * Children in HOTGS and LLA.

Would you like to join and support what God is doing through our ministry for the glory of His great name? Click here to learn [how you can help](#).

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