



A Christian Children's Home in Kenya for Vulnerable School-aged Boys

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I hope you have all had a very Merry Christmas. All 25 of our Ahadi boys were able to go and stay with a relative for the holiday season. (The first photo is the last devotions of the year with Ahadi boys before leaving to visit relatives.) The manager was able to find the brother to a grandfather to 3 of our newer boys, who was willing to take them for the holidays but isn't able to keep them longer. At least they are now connected to someone, since the whereabouts of their parents is unknown (three different fathers), and these relatives hadn't known where the children were living, but are happy to know that they are safe with Ahadi Family. These relatives live a couple of hours' drive away from Ahadi, but the children's department near us had been given their case to handle because our county is very spread out. The second photo is the other 3 new boys who are all from different families and unrelated locations and situations. **One of the highlights of the year was to get custody of these 6 new boys, and bring them to the safe and Christian environment at Ahadi Family.** Your donations have made this possible.



AHADI ALUMNI NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

The rice business of **Sammy** got off to a rough start with heavy rains not allowing rice to dry, followed by a road accident by the bus that was carrying his first big shipment from the rice fields to Nairobi. The bus overturned, and all the rice was lost in the accident! So, meanwhile, he started selling mandazi (a kind of local donut) on the street, but only managed to make profits of a couple of dollars (or less) each day. **So, he still needs your prayers to support his family.**

Ken's attempt to get official disability status has not been successful. He is getting the "come back next week" treatment which is the attempt of the office to try to get a bribe. **He wonders what to do next but is hoping and praying with friends and family for God's miraculous healing.**

Vincent Ouma, one of our trustees who is an alum of Ahadi Family, **is bereaved**. His step-mother passed away after a long illness due to an injury to her leg. He hadn't lived with her for long, but was taken in by an auntie before coming to Ahadi when he was high school-aged. Still, the loss is painful.

Our head houseparent is bereaved and won't report early with the other staff. Two of his sisters were killed in a tragic road accident, and just one has been buried. The other burial is still awaiting funds to cater for expenses. As the oldest son, the pressure is on him to make it happen. **Please pray for him, David Musumba, for comfort, wisdom, and funds.**

The Ahadi boys will be returning to Ahadi this week to settle briefly before heading off to begin the new school year January 5 and 6. **This is an especially busy time for our staff in getting so many boys ready for school, and our manager must arrange for payment of school fees (schools don't accept checks) for 14 different schools and find high schools for the 2 boys who finished 8th grade.**

ANSWERED PRAYERS

Thank you for your prayers for me to make my flight plans to go to Kenya in February. A new credit card came just in time for me to get some of the last seats available. (My previous card had been used fraudulently and was canceled, so I had to wait for a replacement card to come.) I was able to get a flight that stops off for a layover on the way there so I can visit my daughter, Christi and family, who are missionaries in France, and also go to Israel for a week with her on the way back. This will fulfill a life-long dream, and I ended up getting a deal so that the combination of flights didn't cost any more than it usually costs me to go round-trip to Kenya! I am very thankful.

We are grateful for many of you who sent generous end of year donations that will cover school fees and expenses for January and paid for Christian camp, sending boys to visit relatives, etc. We encourage you to still consider a donation now, however, since donations are typically much lower after the beginning of the year, so we are dependent on the larger donations that come in end of December and first of January to make up the short-falls typical January through March.

Thank you for those who used <https://smile.amazon.com/>, instead of amazon.com for your Christmas purchases. I only am notified quarterly from Amazon of the amount raised, so I don't have a figure to report yet. **Please continue shop using the smile site throughout the year, as this is not just a holiday special.**

On behalf of the Ahadi Family boys and staff, I wish you a HAPPY NEW YEAR 2020. May we have 20-20 vision for the New Year, using the “glasses” of God’s love, peace, joy, wisdom, grace, etc. from his indwelling Holy Spirit to keep us focused on whatever is Good. May we be determined to be the hands, feet, and heart of Jesus throughout the year. THANK YOU FOR MAKING OUR MINISTRY POSSIBLE.

Phyllis Masso for Ahadi Family Kenya.

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