



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

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## UPDATE JANUARY 2020



2019 Memories of December Christian camp, still vividly in mind (see photo on the left), the boys are now back in school for first term 2020. Thankfully, the primary school boys attend just two different schools—a local one for the younger primary, and one for the “middle-school” boys in a better school that we tried out last year.

Two Ahadi boys joined high school this year, one of them towering over our manager, as you can see in the photo on the right (standing in front of a pile of foam mattresses which is one of the many things required to purchase for boarding). The two go to two different high schools. Getting acceptance

in a high school is a big deal, and we are glad that the manager managed that, along with all of the shopping required to have them board. The local village high schools are not that great, and there's no busing, so most Kenyans put their high schoolers in inexpensive boarding schools if possible. Our high school boys go to 13 different boarding schools! So, January is an especially big headache for the Ahadi staff. There are 3 terms per year, with mid-terms for each school as well. So organizing transportation, shopping, and bill-paying is a huge challenge, especially for the manager. **WE THANK GOD FOR GENEROUS DONATIONS AT YEARS' END THAT ENABLED US TO MEET ALL OF OUR NEEDS, EVEN UNANTICIPATED ONES MENTIONED BELOW.**



Sadly, our former care-taker at Ahadi, who had been kind-of a father-figure for the boys and worked for us for many years, passed away after a long illness, so the manager organized for a vehicle to bring the younger boys, staff, and one trustee to his burial about an hour's drive away. The boys used to enjoy working with him, caring for the vegetable garden and compound.

One of our university boys was admitted in the hospital with infections in his mouth last week due to teeth that needed to be extracted. He was unable to swallow, but now is recovering.

**One of our boys has finished a Diploma level of university and would like to continue for a BS if we can find a sponsor. Please let me know if the Lord is putting that on your heart. Cost is ~\$6,000 per year.**

I leave this Saturday to start my journey to Ahadi, via France, where I will visit my daughter and family, who are missionaries there. When I get to Ahadi, I will check over the audit and prepare for the meeting with the Trustees, and also attend an Ahadi alumni reunion. **I would appreciate your prayers.**

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# ENJOY BELOW PHOTOS FROM 2019



*Ahadi houses for boys, staff and office after repainting trim*



*Primary boys dancing at Alumni Reunion*



*Ahadi High School boys in soccer uniforms*



*Ahadi manager, trustees, and former board member in Ahadi office*



*Vegetable garden and greenhouse*



*New boy writing his alphabet*



*Phyllis Masso reading to boys*



*Prayers for success on Nat'l Exam*