## **Kenya Evangelical Mission**

## Lois Osborne, Missionary to Kenya – April 2022

Dear Family and Friends,

Greetings in Jesus' name! I hope this letter finds you all well with peace in your hearts! God is doing so much that I don't really know where to start!

Last month, we had a big celebration and dedication of Victory's new building. There were more than 500 people there. This was the first church so there was a lot of remembering our first days here, over 32 years ago. How much God has done since then! I felt like it was one of the best days of my life! It was so fun to see people that we started the ministry with, who we have not seen for a long time.

Secondly, we were finally able to have an Awana seminar at Kakuma refugee camp. Be sure to see the photo on the back of those who finished the course and are now able to start Awana in their own churches. We were able to buy start-up materials as well as the training materials for 13 other churches.

Thirdly, we have opened another church in Kakuma about 15 miles from the other one. We have also started another church in the Kangundo area, in the hills above the town.

Pray for a team of men who will travel to Kisii for a while to do teaching at the branch of the Bible College and do a Sunday School seminar for our 9 churches in that area. Pray for Pastor Muli as he also travels to Tanzania for a special evangelism outreach program. Pray for the health of these men. It rains a lot in these areas, making tracking through deep mud and getting wet a common occurrence. Many times, they get very sick, and yet they still go back to do the Lord's work there. Also pray for their wives and children who are left at home.

In Kangundo, the schools are on break, but will reopen at the beginning of next month. In our Bible College, the dorm and new hall are a blessing, as is our cow program. We have several milk cows so our students have milk for their chai (tea), and it is also being developed into a feeding program for students who don't have breakfast or lunch.

All this and more, including people saved and baptized, are made possible by your giving and prayers. Because of world chaos, it seems more and more people are turning to the church for answers. The work is great, but God is greater. Thank you for standing with us!

## Blessings, Loís and Team

P.S. For name or address changes, or to receive this newsletter via email, please contact suegravino@gmail.com. To communicate directly with Lois, contact her at hoytholo@gmail.com

A note from Sue Gravino via Lois:

It is with both fondness and sadness that I will be retiring as KEM volunteer bookkeeper as of Sept. 1, 2022 after 11 years of service. I will miss everyone I have been privileged to know over the years, but will still have my same email address should you want to chat or ask questions about KEM. My heart will always be with Kenya and this ministry. Due to my upcoming retirement, a new volunteer bookkeeper is needed to do the books, collect mail, and make deposits as soon as possible for training and transfer of records. If you, or someone you know, are interested in this volunteer position of approximately 5-7 hours a week, please email Lois at hoytholo@gmail.com.



Sunday School seminar at Kakuma refugee camp



Games at Kakuma refugee camp



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Rededication service at Katwanyaa



Shadrack handing over the key to Simon



Cutting the ribbon at the new Victory church



New Victory Church building



Getting ready for rededication service



Overflow crowd at Victory Church



Painting Solid Rock Church



Teachers completing Awana seminar