

Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things. - Psalm 107 v8-9

Dear Friends,

Once again, we can give thanks for how the Lord has kept us during the last few months and despite our work being disrupted by government restrictions, God gave us other opportunities to reach families in Njoro.

DISABILITY SUPPORT GROUPS

During the last few months we have been able to support several of the members with wheelchairs by partnering with a local Pastor and The Walkabout Foundation. We have supported others in getting their children into school, helped start small businesses for several and provided a training opportunity for a 16-year-old girl who is deaf. Like so many others, this young girl has never been to school because of her disability and spent her days at home helping her mum. After getting to know her and her interests, it was decided that a hairdressing training placement would be most suitable. The family had never imagined something like this was possible and she was so excited to get started. Understandably, her parents were a little worried if she could cope without their support, but they were willing to let her try. She has been doing the training for a few months now and is making excellent progress. We really thank God that not only has she learnt a new skill in hairdressing, but it has also given her a confidence she never had before and hope to others in similar situations. It is clear that all that was needed for this young girl to thrive, was the opportunity. Thank you to all who support The Potter's House CBO and help make these opportunities possible.



FOOD BANK

We give thanks to God for the growth of the food bank scheme. Beth has been working hard to create awareness and generate support for the community food bank. The local supermarket has been very supportive and agreed to put a donation box in the shop. Every week we are seeing more people get involved and donate small amounts of food. We are now able to support four families with a set amount of food each week. In one of those families, four out of the six children are suffering from malnutrition. The food support has made a huge difference and Beatrice was also able to raise their case with the nutritionist at the hospital so that they can also receive government food supplements. The nutritionist was so pleased to hear about the food bank, she pledged to support it personally and encourage colleagues to do the same!

KIBANDAS

Seeing families empowered to become self-sufficient gives us great joy, especially when we know how desperate the situation was when the family was first referred. Recently, we had a family referred that was really struggling. When Beatrice first visited, the mum was heard telling the children not to eat the food that was in the house for lunch because it was all they had, and better to eat later so they didn't sleep hungry. It is



an unimaginable situation for most of us, but for this family it was life every day. After addressing the immediate needs, a kibanda was provided plus the fruit and vegetables to start selling. Now, she has a regular income and has even been able to save money for a school uniform for one of her children.

This is how our support has made a difference, in her own words..." *I was almost committing suicide when The Potter's House came to me. I had suicidal thoughts because I couldn't afford to feed my family nor pay my rent. With 7 children, I felt like giving up with life but somehow God, through a neighbour, recommended me to The Potter's House and currently I am working on the kibanda and getting weekly food*". She added, "I don't know what to say to God but since I am a Christian, I will keep praying for The Potter's House whom I met 2 months ago and have touched my life in a big way, that God will provide more to them such that they are able to give and touch others who are struggling".

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETING

We give thanks to God for the answer to our prayers for faithful bible-teaching in Njoro. After three years of praying and with support from The Covenant Baptist Church Nakuru, we have been able to start a weekly bible study and prayer meeting for families The Potter's House CBO supports and the wider community. We are confident that as God's word is shared each week, we will see God's transforming grace in the lives of all that hear. Thank you to all who have been praying alongside us in this matter.

The Covenant Baptist Church are based in Nakuru which is a large town about 20 minutes drive away from Njoro. If you would like to know more about them, please have a look at their website. www.cbcnakuru.com



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LEFT: PASTOR RONALD KOGO AND
THE LEADERSHIP TEAM



NJORO MARKET

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Please pray for the weekly bible study and prayer meeting.*
- *Pray for the parents in one family who are struggling with alcoholism.*
- *Pray support for the food bank would continue to grow.*
- *Please pray that all our financial needs would be met so we can continue to support the poorest and most vulnerable families in Njoro.*

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