

NEWSLETTER

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Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Dear Friends,

We have great news to share!

We are extremely pleased to welcome Samuel Ochieng and Evans Odhiambo to the team. We give thanks to God for His leading and provision.

This is a very exciting time for us and one that feels like a huge step forward for the organisation in terms of capacity and sustainability. We have had to be patient for finances and for the right people but while we were praying for one worker to help Beatrice, God was preparing two!

Evans has come from Nairobi where he was assisting the Pastor at Bethesda Baptist Church following an apprenticeship with Iserve Africa. He has a degree in Agricultural Economics and his agribusiness skills will be extremely useful when helping parents to start small businesses and teaching them how to grow crops for themselves.

Samuel has come from Nakuru and is a member of Crosspoint Bible Church. We have known Sam for a couple of years and he has been a great help to us when leading the teaching at our holiday club. Sam has a degree in theological studies and has been teaching online courses and at Crosspoint Bible Church's Agano Theological School.

Both men have experience in children's ministry and have a passion for sharing the gospel in the community. They will bring much needed support and encouragement to Beatrice, who for some time now has been working alone.

With the addition of these two men we pray that we will see a positive impact on our work with the Dad's in the families. This is an area that has always been a challenge to us because the dads are often reluctant to engage or are working during the day and difficult to meet up with. We are planning a monthly men's breakfast meeting led by Evans and Sam, starting next month. Having male workers will also be a huge benefit to the street connected boys who don't have positive male role models in their lives. Evans and Sam will be helping to run the Saturday Club with Jossey.

Financially, the appointment of two full time staff is a big step of faith but we trust that, just as God has provided the men, He will provide the resources to sustain the work and we are convinced this sets a solid foundation for the growth and effectiveness of the organisation.



Evans (left) and Sam (middle) getting to know members of the community.

Other News

The Holiday Club was very well attended and we were pleased to welcome parents to see what the children had been doing and for a meal on the closing day. Nearly 160 people attended and our small tent that was given by the County Government last year had it's first outing! Although not everyone could fit in, it did provide much needed shade for some.



Saturday Club

The boys who come to club did well last term at school and all of them increased their marks. One boy was top of the class! They have really tried hard at the subjects they find difficult and have been consistent in their attendance. To celebrate and acknowledge their efforts we had juice and cake at club which the boys really enjoyed.

APT KENYA project

The APT continues to thrive with nearly 180 chairs, standing frames and wheelchair inserts having been made since we started. Feedback from the parents show that the devices are making a huge difference to the lives of the children and caregivers. We were thrilled to learn of one girl who was unable to walk prior to having a standing frame but is now taking steps. As the end of the year draws near so does the financial support for the project. We are praying for the finances to be able to continue the project next year. If you, or a business you know, would like to donate specifically to this project, please get in touch or donations can be made online using this link

https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/22185

PRAYER REQUESTS

• Give thanks for the new staff and pray for them as they settle in.

• Give thanks for the Holiday Club. Pray that the Holy Spirit would work in the hearts of all who attended.

• Pray for the financial needs of the organisation.

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