



R.O.C.K. Ministries International

Reaching Our Children in Kenya

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Dear Partner in Ministry,

We don't often have all the staff together at the same time so have never had a picture together. The occasion for the gathering was for a week of training here at the Kisumu location. These are members of my Kenya family who take care of the other members of my Kenya family (the children). They all call me Mom and carry out the day to day operations that keep R.O.C.K. Ministries going. I couldn't do what I do without their help and on trying days, I sometimes wonder how they do it.



THOSE WHO MAKE IT HAPPEN

(standing l-r) Theresa, Bookkeeper; Francis, House Parent; Julia, Principal; Wellington, Construction Supt.; Janet, House Parent; Pamela, House parent; Peter M., Manager; Mary, Pre-school Teacher; Mevine, Primary Teacher; Dan, Board Member; (front l-r) Steven, House Parent; Jack, Malava Supervisor; Peter N., Cook.

The training we are involved in is helping all who minister with R.O.C.K. Ministries to fully understand the challenge of reconciling the fatherless to God the Father. Of a necessity, we have had to mainly focus on the challenges of day to day care of 35 children knowing that ultimately the answers would come as a result of spiritual transformation and renewed minds.

The training began in January and will be ongoing throughout this year with the help of a sister organization in Uganda with whom we share the same heart. The sessions thus far have been challenging and refreshing as we are learning about cultures and syncretism.

I used to think the two years I spent going on prayer initiatives was just something I did for a time until I had clearer direction for ministry. Little did I know that my exposure to African cultures and syncretism would merge again at this particular time. The realization that the children we have in our home now and in the future, who are being taught the true Word of God apart from contrary cultural beliefs, will escape being trapped in cultural strongholds is exciting and at the same time awesome as I think about the responsibility.

Our children have the potential of impacting their generation and becoming agents of change for the next generation. No wonder we have been met with such strong opposition; the enemy knows he is losing his grip.

I covet your continued prayer support as we continue walking in obedience. Pray that God will grant us favor in all our efforts as we continue facing the challenges of overcrowding, more students entering the school and the financial challenges of maintaining the home, school and the building project in Malava.

May God richly bless each one of you as you walk with Him.

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