

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:17

Greetings, we give thanks for what God has continued to do through our organisation and pray the update will be an encouragement to all. Thank you to everyone who has, and is, supporting the work.

New project

We are very excited to have started our new project, Grace Grows, a project aiming to reduce childhood malnutrition and promote self-sufficiency through education and practical skills—specifically, the establishment and maintenance of kitchen gardens and the rearing of small livestock. Malnutrition is a huge concern to many families in Njoro and we have seen first hand the devastating impact it can have. Grace Grows is so named as a reminder of that impact on a 2 ½ yr old called Grace who was referred to us when severely malnourished and who sadly died a short time after.

During a six-day course, parents will discover the importance of fresh, nutritious produce in their diets and gain practical knowledge about how to cultivate their own fruits and vegetables at home. As most of the families we work with live in small compounds without much outside space, the training focuses on gardening in sacks, containers and raised beds.

Alongside the gardening education, the project will also introduce families to rabbit keeping—a sustainable source of protein. Participants will learn best practices for caring for rabbits, including feeding, housing, and breeding. A family will then be provided with rabbits to rear, creating opportunities not only for nutrition but also for economic independence.

For families living in larger compounds, the same will be done with goats, which will add fresh milk to their diets. An agreement with the family when they are given the animals means that the first female offspring of the given rabbit or goat is given to the organisation, to then be given to another family. All subsequent offspring are to be kept by the family for meat, milk or to be sold.



Autism and Communication Training

We were delighted to have Jessica Matumbai from Bethany Kids come and deliver an inspiring two-day training on Everyday Supports for Students with Autism, for teachers and community workers.

During the training Jessica guided participants through understanding the unique needs of students with autism and ADHD and explored

practical strategies for managing communication, sensory, & behavioural challenges that will help the teachers and community workers to develop the skills needed to support students in an effective and meaningful way.

It is our prayer that this training will not only equip teachers with new skills but also help to foster a more inclusive and nurturing environment for students with autism in our local schools. We want every student with autism to feel seen, heard, and supported every day.

Saturday Club

We continue to run the Saturday Club for boys aged between 11 and 16 yrs. 12 boys are identified and referred to us by their school. 3 boys from 4 schools. All boys come from unstable homes and most have suffered some sort of trauma during their short lives. Once at the Saturday Club the boys engage in activities designed to foster personal growth, practical skills, and spiritual development.

For our last group, we did something a little different and the boys got to showcase their creativity by recycling old tyres into beautiful tables! This project highlighted both environmental awareness and craftsmanship.

To conclude their 10 weeks at the club, the boys are treated to a trip to the swimming pool! It has been so encouraging to watch the boys work together, learning the value of teamwork and building healthy relationships.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Pray that our new project will be effective and less children would suffer from malnutrition.*
- *Give thanks for the partnerships we have with other organisations and the willingness of BethanyKids to support us in the training.*
- *Give thanks for the staff and their work. Pray for their physical and spiritual wellbeing.*
- *Pray for financial provision from God through faithful partners.*

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