

Kindfund - Prayer Letter



Jeremiah 9:24 I am the Lord who exercises Kindness
Ephesians 4:32 Be kind to one another

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Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands for us. Psalm 90:17

This is our prayer. We remember that Moses' face shone when he came from the presence of God. In the words of Jesus we are light and salt to those around us not because of any merit of ourselves but because we have been with him and his presence brings change.

What has been happening over the Summer?

Kindfund Kenya had the joy of hosting three marvellous teams from June to September (all self funded).

Team 1 – The June team – Margaret Mottram, Nuala O'Reilly who also stayed through with the July team and Ken Mottram, for a few brief days at the beginning of July;

Team 2 – The July team – George and Linda Crawford, Glenda McElwaine, Diane Stronge and Glenda Malone;

Team 3 – The August team – Kim Walker, Eliza and Elsa from Holland, Henrietta Wisbey and Roland and Damaris from Germany.

The team activities fell into the three divisions above although there was a great deal of overlap. Pamela and Ken covered the full period and supervised extensive new projects at Wamba and Ngaremara.

June was the month for bead work with a group of local women and basic health and medical care with the management team and children at Ngaremara and Wamba. Margaret and Nuala are both nurses. Margaret is also the beading expert and she had a tremendous input into the lives of the group of women learning alongside her. Nuala developed good relationships with the local clinic at Ngaremara and the regional hospital at Wamba visiting them many times with children. She arranged with Ruth, the house mother at Ngaremara for appropriate medical records on the children after they had all been tested for the major diseases.

Margaret's husband Ken arrived at the beginning of July and inspired us with his musical ability for a few days during which he hopefully obtained a flavour of some of the various aspects of the work in preparation for a future visit



Margaret and Nuala

It was soon time for us to welcome Team 2 and for the focus to shift to Kilimani Children's Home and the two main projects there – to refurbish the senior boys dormitory with a cement floor, new wooden partition and external door and frame and – paint the main dining hall/meeting room.

The team set about it with enthusiasm only to find they had to abandon it on the 2nd day because of tribal clashes. (You will have seen N Kenya featuring in the news recently as the famine drives communities to

extreme actions. It is a privilege to be working there and able to make a positive contribution to ease the hunger at this time. Kindfund is distributing 3.7 tonnes of food every month to the most vulnerable young and very elderly as well as providing employment and other support.)

After a week at Wamba working with and enjoying the children Team 2 returned to Kilimani and finished the job. Well done. Work was much appreciated by Mama Monica and the children.

Team 2 now set out for the far North to visit the Rendille on the edge of the desert and see first hand the opportunity to bring the Good News to these remote communities. An enjoyable experience if you don't mind cross country driving and sleeping under the stars



Daddy George, the Kilimani team and West Church banner, Diane with Mercy and Mummy Linda

The August Team involved several groups coming and going except for Kim who was the anchor for the month. She enjoyed the children through full participation – drama, hand crafts and games.

Elsa and Eliza spent time with the children at Wamba before Henrietta arrived in the middle of August and we enjoyed two series of bible teaching. First the young people and then the leaders, some coming down to us from the Rendille were introduced to some bible keys. The Rendille team were particularly thankful for the teaching, fellowship and ministry they received.



Kim with baby, Eliza hairdo at Wamba, Henrietta opens Keys and Roland understands water need

Throughout the summer we coped with all sorts of requests and medical emergencies as well as completing training and projects. Additional projects completed include a new bungalow at Wamba, for the manager and his family and visiting Kindfund staff, fencing the 5 acre site, a thatched roof shelter for the children to eat, play and study in, a new but still temporary kitchen, and an improved water collection system. At Ngaremara we have built additional latrines, installed a 10,000 ltr water tank and had double gates and a signboard made.

We give thanks to the Lord for his steadfast love never ceases. His mercies never come to an end. They remain new every morning. Great is his faithfulness.

In the next prayer letter we will read first hand reports from some of the team members.

Please pray for the children on the programmes, for the management teams and for sufficient rain for Kenya, especially the North where the tribes are suffering severely from the drought.

How to Help

- Pray – when we work we work; when we pray God works.
- Sponsorship from £5/€8 per month (ask for a pack) or gifts to Kindfund, Manoo, Kesh BT93 1TL.
- Invitation to share about the work, display jewellery or purchase a gift card (Tel. 028 6863 1562).
- Share this prayer letter with a friend or fellowship

'All...who were willing brought to the Lord freewill offerings for all the work the Lord commanded them to do.' Ex.35:29.

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