Hello dear sponsorship family,

As we have started our new school year at Abbott Christian Academy, we need to recognize the many open doors of opportunity we've been given to promote the Kingdom of God in western Kenya but also, we recognize that our enemy keeps plotting, scheming, and laying traps for us. 1 Cor 16:9b states "for a wide door for effective service has opened to me, yet there are many adversaries." The Lord wants us to be prepared, not blindsided when the enemy attacks us during or after our new open-door victories. The wise man keeps his armor on and stays prepared for the next battle instead of kicking back & relaxing. The enemy of our soul doesn't relax...he knows we are easy targets on the mountain tops celebrating. So, lets heed scripture; stay humble and on our face seeking the mind and wisdom of Christ (Hebrews 12:2; Philippians 3:12). We must take advantage of the open doors of opportunities to educate, take care of the at-risk children in Bungoma County, but we must also be on guard even more of the enemy's darts & snares. The blessing is in knowing that our God will work all things together for our good. He will always gain the victory. Last month we rejoiced in the fact that our school had extra donations to hire a night watchman. However, he was attacked and beaten a few nights ago... our school plus other schools and businesses in the area were robbed that night. Most of the bulk food barrels and some of the new school supplies were taken. So, we will proactively pray more & implement additional safety measures and will take solace knowing that our God will require satan to pay back 7 times that which was stolen. Our Lord will take what the enemy meant for harm & destruction and will turn it for our good. Glory to our great God & King.

Praise reports:

- Many of our stolen books have been recovered. We believe that funding will be found among neighbors and local businesses to help provide for the rest.
- Our staff has finally acquired a liaison. Madam Felister Musi is a wonderful woman of God and college professor who has served on the board in the past. She is also the interpreter for us as we preach at different churches. She is very anointed, articulate, and professional in all her ways. She teaches college at Eldoret University and is married with grown children. We are extremely excited to add her to our staff. She will assist in administration duties, overall operations of the school, monitor cash flow, help increase efficiencies and enhance our communication between teachers, students, and sponsors... as well as other projects. More on that later.
- We rejoice that at this time we can report all our kids are healthy! Sometimes you just count your blessings where you can find them.

Prayer:

• Pray for funding sufficient to build a small Chapel on the grounds so Pastor Abraham can conduct daily services and to host the school's daily Chapel class

- Pray for Pastor Abraham, as he is still battling sickness
- Pray specifically that the spirits of corruption and poverty be broken in Kenya. Also pray against the spirit of competition and jealousy among the churches.
- Pray for our children to have a hedge of angelic protection around them.
- Pray the remaining stolen school supplies & food will be quickly recovered or provided
- Please pray concerning our next mission trip. We would like to take a small team specifically to paint the exterior and interior of our new school, as well as some community projects. We are hoping to go in May, 2024. We have some adults and three high schoolers who have already voiced an interest in going.

Ways to pay for your ACCC Sponsorship Child

1. You can give via check or cash in the general offering with Africa Mission noted in the memo or on the offering envelope.

Mail your check to The Rock Church <u>3078 Highway 101, Bridgeport, TX 76426</u>
Give online at <u>http://theRockBridgeport.com</u> website.

Select Fund / Child Sponsor / Abbott Orphanage when you give.

Btw, you can now set up automatic monthly payments when you give online by selecting the "Regularly" option on the Frequency button then choose either Weekly, Bi-weekly, Monthly, etc. It can be a great relief to know that your sponsorship payment will not be missed or forgotten.

Payment options for your ACCC Sponsorship Child. Payments are due on the first of every month and sent out on the 15th to cover the month's expenses. We have three payment options for your convenience.

- 1. Monthly @ \$35 per child
- 2. Quarterly @ \$105 per child
- 3. Yearly @ \$420 per child

We are blessed to be your Mission Pastors. We rejoice and thank God daily for your commitment to help care for these precious children. Thank you and God bless you!

Steve & Kim Warren Mission Pastors, The Rock Church <u>http://theRockBridgeport.com</u> <u>https://abbottchristian.org</u>

He who gives to the poor lacks nothing... Proverbs 28:27a