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Newsletter With Seasons Greetings

Happy seasons greetings to you all good friends out there !

We had a bee hive of activities going on at L.C.C. There is always so much going on and third term is the peak season for lots of activities happening.

To start off we had;

◆ **A Kids Fun Day**

Raechal (founder) thought it would be nice to have and build a relationship between our kids at l.c.c and those from surrounding children 'Homes', so she came up with a plan to have a 'Kids Fun Day' with the help of Lucy and Maureen who worked together with representatives of 5 other homes. And the results were outstanding! We hosted the P.C.E.A. girls home, The Nest, St. Anthony's girls, Oasis of Hope boys and Elshaddai boys on the 14th of November and had a fun day filled with lots of fun games, presentations and socialisation at its' best. We hope to continue having the kids come together once a year and do something as a group as it motivates the kids and builds their self esteem.



◆ **Education is the KEY to SUCCESS!!**

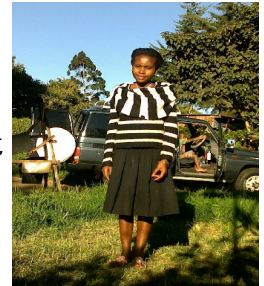
- Good news friends ! 22 of our scholars in the scholarship program just completed high school and sat for the national exam. It's not by might, it's not by power but by the Grace of God that these kids got this golden opportunity to join high school and get funds to support them and see them through. It's not easy to get this far in spite of all the struggles and challenges they faced. We owe it all to God and those of you who have put tireless efforts to giving and getting these kids education support !.



In addition to this, five of these scholars were given yet another golden opportunity to study computer packages and essentials as they await the national exam results (due in february) at the LIIT college of East Africa (Limuru) by the director who is a well wisher and a friend of the Centre. These five will be rewarded with a certificate when they complete the computer course.

We wish them success as they pursue their dreams and future. This is just the beginning!

Caroline Wambui one of our 'residents' just completed her primary education. As she eagerly waits for her results which will determine wether she qualifies for high school, we hope that she can get her cornea transplant soon so that she may start high school afresh and avoid any obstacles in her future studies. We wish her well !



◆ **There's no other Holiday like Christmas!!**

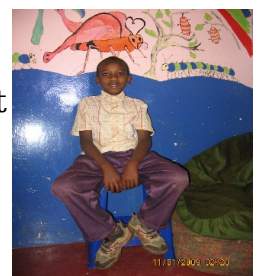
The feeding program is taking a break (don't get me wrong now, were not starving the kids especially not on Christmas!) all the day kids including both pre-schools broke for a four week holiday with a food package that will last them (hopefully !) until schools re-open next year.

As for the boarders, a good number of the kids (30) have gone to visit and spend sometime with their guardians and relatives leaving 10 kids at the l.c.c 'home'. We hope these reunions will help us in the 'exit plan' as known when they have to leave the Centre at a point in the future !

- More Family Re-unions; Benson and Nicholas will be staying with their father and other siblings in Nakuru. The father (he had previously been at large) has been determined capable of meeting the boys needs by the court. We (l.c.c.) will keep in touch and make a report as they settle down .



- Derrick Mutahi went back home to be with his mother and siblings. His mother (she was reunited with the boy after almost 2 years since his disappearance and assumed him dead !) is capable of providing for his needs and it is best for Derrick to be with his family and other siblings. We will keep tags on his progress too.



- ◆ It's Christmas time once again ! a time to celebrate love, joy and share with our families and friends and even pray for our enemies. It's a time to make peace and reconciliation and everyone deserves to celebrate christmas a right spirit. The staff of l.c.c have worked tirelessly to make sure these kids get all the care and love they deserve, so some will be taking short breaks. Just to ease our minds and spend time with our families so that we can have a fresh start next year. One would think that only vehicles break down when they wear out but that's not the case here! The kids have grown and continue growing so big, the more they grow and develop the more work there is for us all.

We are aware that some of these kids may not have a good time out there with their relatives due to the current situation (draught)in our country and many people relying on relief food from the government. Our only hope is for them to get to know their relatives and that they too will be appreciated in return. It is never easy and our parting with them is always with a heavy heart and our concern for their welfare out there sometimes beyond our reach. We do keep in touch as much as we can and always prepared to facilitate their return back here as the need requires. We wish them well !

Last but not least, on behalf of the l.c.c family I would like to wish all our friends, sponsors, godparents and well wishers

◆ A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Thank you for your unending support which has seen us through many years, thank you for your prayers, love and heart to serve. We are so greatfull words cannot explain.

May the blessings of the Divine Child and the love of His Mother be yours at Christmas and every day of the coming year. Warm and best wishes for Love, Joy and Happiness on Christmas and New Year!!