



# GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

## RETHINKING HUMANITARIAN AID



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**Serving & Learning**

*from the*

orphaned, widowed, poor & oppressed

# UPDATES

## FROM KALEN STANTON

**I**t's nearly been 10 years since I left the town of Tigoni, Kenya, to return to the United States and passed on the torch for partnering on the ground with our incredible friends and colleagues in the greater Limuru community. Nearly every year since 2008 I have gone back for different purposes and with different companions bound for experiencing the wondrous joys and opportunities of Kenya. But this year, since being reunited with the Global Connections team and helping forge a new path and chapter for this steadfast organization, I felt like my time was particularly special.

### *The difference is in the drumbeat.*

When AB and the good people of Mississippi decided to venture across the Atlantic back in 2005 to learn and serve in Kenya, their hearts poured out for the precious children of Limuru and those God had led to build a home out of a stove, a rooftop and a lot of love. The Mungai family, the Limuru community, and providential guides along the way turned a spark into a flame of hope. Global Connections was born, and over the next few years dozens of other champions on both sides of the pond gave their time and resources to help the Limuru Children Centre thrive.

Kenya herself was getting her feet under her. Free primary education was being expanded across the nation, foreign investment was mounting, political parties were diversifying their platforms and aligning together. Java House was born

(which all wazungu love). Youth were thirsting for higher education and opportunities like other parts of the world that national media were spreading over mass media channels. Microfinance lending was starting to boom. The drumbeat was getting faster and stronger.

Then an apparent setback. The elections of early 2008 caused disruption and turmoil. Old scars of ethnic division and bias became fresh wounds as politics threatened

to dismantle the hopeful state. Families were uprooted, and trust was scarce. But they held together, and the drumbeat continued to quicken in the background.

Our recent visit awakened a new kind of hope in me. On the one hand, we had just finished two rounds of strategic visioning and intention-setting as Global Connections back in the United States. We were here on a mission: to help guide and facilitate the turning of a new chapter with our faithful partners in Kenya, and in kind to turn the page on our own new chapter. So the winds of change were at our backs.

On the other hand, we were most assuredly welcomed by colleagues and friends who were already strides ahead of us. Kenya is moving faster than we are! From the LCC and Pat Dixon to ACTS and Amali, from the Baby Home and Kijabe Hospital to David's Hope and the exciting work of Camara Education, from charity to business and business to passionate transformation, Kenya is running forward.



The best picture I have of this in my mind is Patrick Kungu. A beaming young man with great strength, high ambitions and a kind integrity, who was only a small boy when I met him in 2007, was our networking partner and advisor to critique my rather stuffy presentation. He is the possibility we seek, and it's already here. Today Kenya welcomes the future with a new generation poised to create their own path, and the optimistic drive is palpable.

The drumbeat is stronger than ever in Kenya. We had the pleasure to touch down for a brief period and stir the pot again this past April, and I am greatly enthused for the team that will be returning this July to continue our walk in relationship with our Kenyan community. That's what this is all about - learning and serving in relationship.

I'm overjoyed that our next chapter is still filled with all of the same characters - and yet there are more to come. Our story is getting bigger and broader, and the drumbeat of Kenya will be soon joined by others elsewhere in the world telling their impassioned story. Global Connections has a few notes to add, but we are just part of a much bigger song.

Will you join in this journey with us together?

With joy and thanks,

*Kalen*

### LCC STATISTICS

**20**

LCC BABY HOME BABIES

**28**

PRE-SCHOOLERS (K-BRANCH)

**27**

PRE-SCHOOLERS (MAIN BRANCH)

**43**

LCC BOARDERS

**40**

CHILDREN PART OF LCC FEEDING PROGRAM (LIMURU MISSION)

**10**

SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS (HIGH SCHOOL)

**35**

STAFF

**1**

ACCOUNTING CONSULTANT + 1 NURSING CONSULTANT

# LCC BABY HOME

## UPDATES FROM TESNI

We are a full house again. Last week we welcomed two one-month babies to our home. In addition, here are the stories of two more children we recently invited in:

### WHO WILL LOVE ME?

Another new arrival came all the way from western Kenya. He was abandoned on a farm, and we don't know how long he was there before someone found him. He spent a few months in hospital and was diagnosed with cerebral palsy. No home was willing to take him, so we agreed to take him in, not knowing what kind of a child we would receive. I have never seen such a traumatized child... We estimate him to be around 5 years old, and for the first week that he was with us, he slept almost all day and all night and remained in the fetal position throughout. Slowly, he is becoming more alert and making a bit of eye contact. He is also slowly relaxing and stretching out, sometimes without assistance. We are still waiting for a smile, but are hopeful that we will get one soon! Please pray for this precious boy, that he will soon be convinced in his little being that he is safe, wanted and loved.



### LITTLE STORIES

Another one of our recent intakes was a tiny baby girl, who had been in hospital for a few weeks. We recently heard her story and again were amazed by God's grace and protection on this little life. She was found by a lady in a coffee plantation who was spraying chemicals. As she was making her way through the farm, she heard a cry from the far end of the plantation. She found our girl in a plastic bag, completely naked, umbilical cord still attached. This little one had been left for dead, but God meant for her to have LIFE. Now she is growing strong and when she needs something, everybody can hear it! She has so much fight in her! I can't wait to see what plans He has for her.



The warm outside blanket was made by girls of Palmer Home for Children in Columbus, MS and donated to the LCC Baby Home in Limuru, Kenya. What a loving welcome for this precious little one-week old boy that was abandoned in a Kenyan hospital. Love has many languages and can be shared all over the world in many different ways – but this is extra special – from one orphan to another!! **Thank you Palmer Home girls!**



In TOTAL we have cared for 68 babies. We have had 4 International adoptions and 31 local adoptions. 4 babies have passed away. 10 have been reintegrated to their relatives, and 3 have moved to the LCC main centre. We thank each of you for helping make this possible through your love, prayers and support.

### FROM BABY HOME TO HIS FIRST DAY AT "BIG" SCHOOL - PPI AT TIGONI PRIMARY.



Ethan was abandoned soon after birth and spent his first 6 weeks in hospital because of his low birth weight. When he came to the baby home he was just around 2kgs. He was HIV positive and started on ARV's and it was a real struggle to get all that medication into such a little body. The

first year of his life was tough. He progressed very slowly, and gained weight too slowly. He was falling behind developmentally too, and after having him assessed by a neurologist he was diagnosed with mild Cerebral Palsy. Ethan has surprised us year after year. His language development was amazing and he picked up on different languages very quickly. At the 3 years, he also took his first steps, something we were not sure would ever happen. Now he is running, jumping, skipping, and has developed a real love for learning - he loves puzzles and drawing and play dough and writing his name. He is a curious boy, asking questions about anything and everything, and he has an incredible memory. He is now 5 and a half and has been accepted at the local primary school, and he is absolutely thrilled! The teachers are amazed at his abilities, despite his small body. He is also incredibly compassionate and kind. We are endlessly proud of this little guy!! He is proof that God does miracles!

### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

All 4 new children need a sponsor. The sponsorship program costs \$100 per month. If you or anyone you know is interested in sponsoring one of these precious children, please contact Global Connections.

# PATRICK MUNGAI

## REPORT FROM PATRICK

As always I have always prepared a report on the progress of the programme over the years but this time around, I choose to allow the Management Team, now led by the new LCC director Lillian Mutua, to share on my behalf and that of the LCC.

Personally, I simply wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported me and this programme during my period as the director over so many years since its inception.

First and foremost, I thank the Mississippi Team led by Al and his dedicated family for their steadfastness for this long period of their continued support in every area of our operations... From finances to relationships and to helping provide a secure and safe home for our children.

I want to thank Ian and Lynda Hedderly in the UK for their commitment to the programme. I thank Rano and her Team supporting the Baby programme in many ways. Thank you Linda and Joe for all the backup and support you have provided for me since the beginning of LCC.

I also wish to thank the staff for bearing with me and helping hold all this together. For me this meeting will be special as I officially hand over the day to day responsibilities of running the programme to a trustworthy Lillian Mutua who has served the programme as a Social Worker over several years. I know it's a big shoe as the saying goes, but I trust I am handing it over to someone who is willing and very capable and with the continued support of everyone else involved.

My hope and the desire of everyone, is that she will continue to carry the vision forward that was established many years ago for the benefit of the children and the programme. It is a unique programme which has brought so many people from all over the world together. It is a great programme when we hear of the incredible testimonies people have shared. It is a programme of giving or providing equal opportunities and a future to the less fortunate children in our world. It is a program of fellowship and love between and across many boundaries.

The greatest challenge I realize that has to be dealt with now and diligently is the exit plan which needs to be emphasized and rolled out with a lot of care and love to these young teens that we have brought up over the years. I would encourage Lillian and the Team to

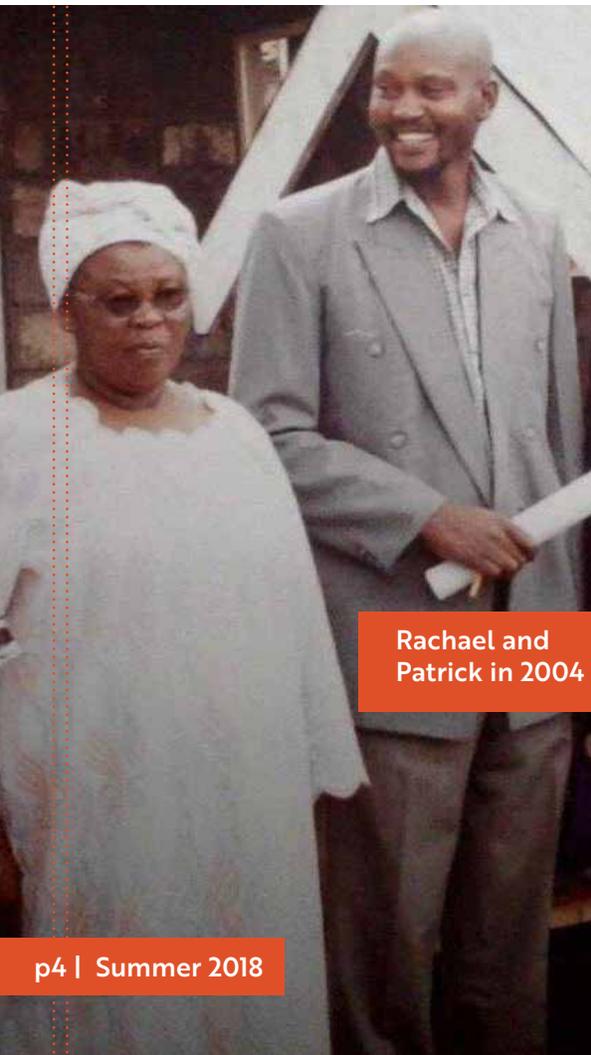
stay focused on the transition of these kids in a manner accorded to us by the grace of God as the parents who have been placed to bridge this gap in their lives such that LCC can provide their smooth exit in the best and most practical way possible and with utmost concern for their wellbeing and future. They will always remain LCC family.

We are all here because of the children whom we provide for care and protection for whatever reasons. Continue loving them and keeping them close to your hearts. That's what we have been called to do here. Not just as a form of employment. It's to do everything for them that we would do for our own children. God has provided for the means to do so.

As I exit from active involvement, I thank all for the support accorded my mother and myself for the continuity of this vision and the general welfare of the programme and the children who benefit from it in any way provided. I'm glad that I will be working with a dedicated Advisory Board and look forward to moving this programme forward to the future which appears to bring many challenges and changes for everyone. We are always learning within this programme which should continue to offer a place of sanctuary and love and growing and learning from each other in many ways.

May God continue to touch your hearts and bless each one of you as you continue to support the children in need and for the glory of His Kingdom.

— PATRICK



Rachael and Patrick in 2004

## THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to place on record our hearty thanks to Uncle Patrick for the support and guidance he has extended to all of us. By always being there for us and making sure you support us where we needed you most. How we appreciate your love to us as our dad. We would like to acknowledge

you Auntie Lilian for taking on the leadership. We are grateful for the support and love you have accorded us thus far. How we pray that God blesses you.

*Derrick Mutahi*

LCC age 18

# LILIAN MUTUA

## NEW LLC DIRECTOR

### HELLO EVERYONE,

We are all well at LCC and blessed of God. God has placed LCC as a place of safety and care for children. The children have been well. The performance at school has been promising. With a lot of encouragement and prayers our kids will go far. Our boarders are 43 in number. We managed to transfer 15 primary school children from the private owned schools to a public school that performs very well. George Kimani is our only boarder that will be sitting for his KCPE exam this year.

The high school going teens are also working hard in school. Different speakers have been talking to them over the holidays to impact them with life skills. We have five candidates that are sitting for their KCSE exam. Kindly pray for them. Patrick Kungu and Charles Kagwe cleared high school. Patrick plans to pursue a Mechanical Engineering course. Charles has been through the driving school. He is waiting to join college and pursue a course in Plant Operation. They are two ambitious young adults.

On the pre-school LCC main have 28 kids while K-branch have 28. The programme has benefited many children that may not have gotten the chance to join school. They get a balanced diet which is nutritious to their body. The baby home programme is progressing well. We are currently having 20 kids. Our babies have been going through the local adoption. We are happy that they get such loving families.

The scholarship programme has 6 students in high school. They are bright students from very needy background. Their performance in school has been good. We have 30 staffs at LCC main, Baby home and K-Branch. They are all dedicated in serving the children. We have been carrying out seminars, bible study and staff devotion. Continue praying for LCC so that God's purpose can be fulfilled in this programme.

Many Blessings,

*Lilian Mutua*



LCC Director with her beloved LCC children



### OUR JOURNEY

This journey we are on is, and always has been, full of joy and opportunity for growth and development for everyone concerned; from the smallest baby to the oldest member of the Global Connections family. Patrick's leadership and love for the LCC children and for all the volunteers from around the world, has already been life changing for everyone who is reading this newsletter and many, many more who are not. He has built a wonderful team with a strong and excellent leader in Lilian. We echo his love for the children, the programme and for all involved with it. As GC continues to grow and develop alongside the LCC we look forward to seeing what good works Love has planned for each person touched

by this united family. We are excited about the new opportunities and change that come with new faces in leadership - and we are so very thankful for the ones who have constantly given their all to make this world a better place...one meaningful moment at a time. We are fully committed to walking out our calling to serve and learn from the orphaned, widowed, poor and oppressed by helping to facilitate and guide life changing connections that lead to transformation. We are so glad you are a part of this family...a part of this song.

- *Global Connections*

# CHARLES KAGWE

## MY LCC STORY

**M**y name is Charles Kagwe. I am 19 years old. I have managed to survive in this nineteen years in the world due to God's help and mercy. I was received at Limuru Children's Centre at twenty first day of March 2005. I was brought to this home by my grandmother's sister who was a friend of one of the officials of the home named Rachael.

The reasons behind being brought to LCC was due to hard living conditions after my mum's death one year ago and imprisonment of my dad. My grandmother had a very hard time in providing basic needs to me and my other two sisters. As a child in need she did all she could to make sure I was taken by Limuru Children's Centre.

I proceeded with my early childhood life in the LCC by joining pre-school and primary

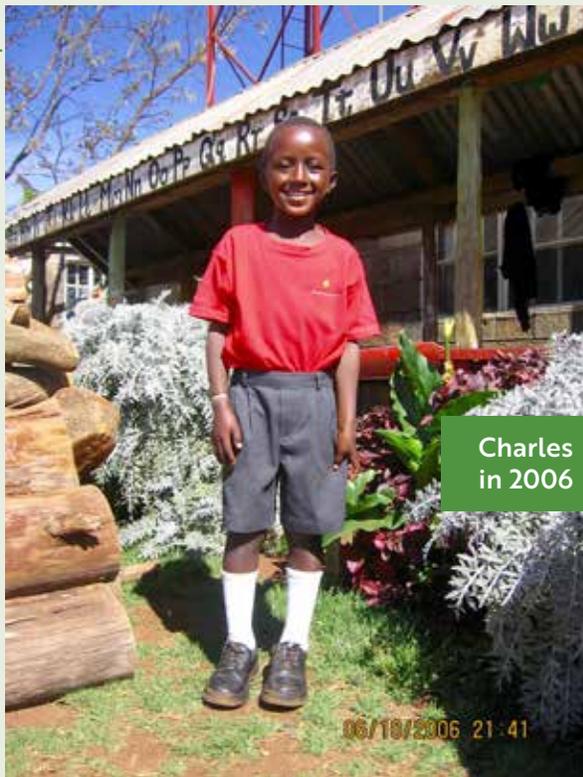
school. They acted as my guardians by providing essential basic needs such as food, clothing and education. After I finished my primary education, I attained a grade of C+ and joined high school. I moved afterwards in three different high schools due to different horrid conditions and problems such as being accused of arson and having a hard time in jail for weeks. However, under all these problems, through the help of LCC, I managed to do my final exams and got a grade of D+. After high school, I embarked on preparations to join college to do my desired career.

I am by now doing computer and driving course until afterward when I will join college and pursue a certificate and a diploma in plant mechanics and operation. By doing this, I would be able to attain my dreams and become self-dependent. I would afterwards give back to the society.

My life in the LCC since I was young has been favorable except some ups and downs which must be there. It is in this place I got a chance as other children with parents to pronounce the mamas 'mum' and 'dad'. The people I found at LCC became my parents that makes me a happy person despite being an orphan. With the help of my godparent Chris Tomlinson, Mississippi team and all people who stand with LCC, I and all who have passed in this home are able to achieve our dreams by providing the required needs for us. Therefore, LCC remains my home forever and not just for me but for all other children in need who will ever pass in the home.

*Charles Kagwe*

2006



Charles in 2006

2018



Charles in 2018 at computer school

# HOPE4COLUMBUS

## DOMESTIC WORK WITH JOHN ALMOND



As Global Connections begins to open the door to domestic work we have begun to work with Chaplain John Almond in the Golden Triangle Area of Mississippi. He works tirelessly to support local chaplaincy needs for our first responders as well as the YMCA and to create awareness for the needs of our own forgotten children (some of whom are now adults and have ended up in gangs). His work is 100% volunteer and as a retired man on a fixed

income we have partnered to try to supplement his income enough to allow him to continue to lead this good work as well as provide for his family. Please pray about supporting his work...we need you.

John's vision for a united community serving one another is being realized through the efforts of Hope4Columbus which you can read about in this newsletter. Hope4Columbus is an organization that has the vision to create a unified community that pools its resources and abilities to provide for the social needs of our citizens and targeting the children of Columbus who have grown up in the parks with little, if any, supervision by their

guardians. Together with several local chaplains and in cooperation with Columbus Parks and Recreation, they have developed a skills building program which includes:

- Basic Building Knowledge
- Hands on Training
- Basic Electrical Wiring
- Basic Plumbing Techniques
- Equipment Types and Uses/Handling

Hope4Columbus is investing in our youth, a skill trade effort, to build a strong and vibrant community for tomorrow. They are our HOPE!

The very successful first 12-week program graduated 5 of 29 who originally signed up. This is an intense and difficult course and each of these men and women who persevered and passed the course are now interviewing for work with Columbus Parks and Recreation. We are prayerfully confident they will all be offered a position with the department and will be active participants in the effort to unite and support our community. Bob Ford, Stephanie Gibson and John Almond also held a class on interviewing for these graduates. Hope4Columbus leaders are also finding great favor in the juvenile detention center in Columbus and are impacting the lives of these young men and women. We are excited to join in partnership with Hope4Columbus in its efforts!

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The class built a beautiful 5x8 shed which was a part of the testing at the end of the course. Hope4Columbus will be auctioning this shed off to raise money for future classes.

# HOPE FOR LIFE

## AND UPDATE FROM JULIUS

I am Julius, a local chaplain, pastor and a counselor in Limuru, Kenya. I have been called by God and am committed to identifying needs and providing and finding provision to meet the emotional, spiritual and social needs with those I meet. This past year I have enjoyed disciplining young people for I believe discipleship is so important because youth are at a pivotal point in their walk with God. At this age, young youth have heard a lot of information from many influences around them and they are coming to conclusions about life. I have been able to reach out to schools, individuals in homes and orphanages like LCC and different churches. I have been able to reach more than 650 young people.

I do enjoy mentorship and counseling. The purpose for this is to help young people as they go through challenging life transitions, including dealing with stressful changes at home or transitioning in adulthood. I focus most with those from needy families that can't manage to pay for therapies. Since I don't have an office, I meet them at their homes, schools,

churches and any other place as the need arises. So far I have 34 children and youth in mentorship programs.

After I was able to join the training on "Journey to Freedom" by Scott Reall, I have two different groups of young people I am facilitating. I am truly seeing them as they are being transformed. From your support I started a food program and visiting needy poor homes. There are many children in schools who don't eat lunch, who spend the entire day without anything to eat and myself as I was growing up I experienced this for my parents sometimes could not afford to give food- so I know how painful it is going without food. So far I have 5 kids I am supporting with \$5 per month. A friend of mine called Stephanie from Mississippi once told me "when given something, I should pay forward".

I would sincerely like to thank you for your support both financial and in the prayers you provide for me in empowering and transforming lives here in my community of

Limuru. Without the support of people like you, I would not have been able to reach my goals through the ministry God put in me. You have enabled me to pour out that which God has been putting in my heart for this community. May almighty God keep you and you do His good perfect work.

Yours Sincerely,

*Julius Nguni*



One of several groups already experiencing the Journey to Freedom

## HOPE FOR LIFE

Hope for Life is fighting for the lives of many a girl. Along the beautiful warm waters of the Indian Ocean there is a growing crisis. Children are being trafficked and forced into sex tourism. Child sexual exploitation is due to the widespread poverty and society's acceptance and it is rampant in coastal Kenya.

have been truly touched to meet Mary and hear the stories of girls living this horrific life.



Hope for Life is a ministry that serves the destitute and orphan girls in the coastal town in Kenya. Malindi is a very remote area but popular for its beautiful sand beaches and many tourists who come to visit the town for their holidays; with this came the most difficult challenge of prostitution, drugs and substance abuse among many young girls. Our ministry has a vision to help the needy girls to realize their full potential in the society and is committed to the mission of achieving lasting improvement in the quality of life of every

girl child of age (12 -18) years through bible teaching that adds meaning to their lives. Our programs include mat making, soap making, a sewing program, school fees and sanitary towels. In our future, we would like to add computer training, hairdressing and beauty, catering course and discipleship and theology.

You can help our ministry through prayer, contribute toward the sanitary towel program, consider blessing one of the girls through putting them through school, help with note books and writing materials or simply sponsor the girls a refreshment. Friends thank you so much for reading about our work in Malindi. There are many girls still waiting to hear the Lord's message and have hope in their lives. Your prayers, love and support will highly make a difference in their lives. Thank you so much for your love. Blessings to you, Mungu Awabariki (Swahili for God Bless You)"

*Mary Mapenzi*

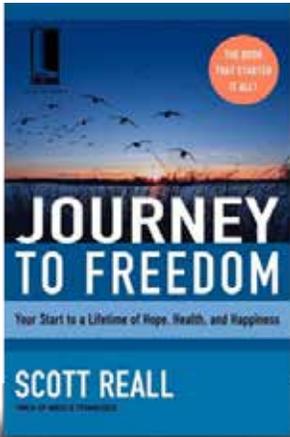


Estimates show there could be as many as 40,000 child sex workers in the city of Mombasa alone and the trade extends up and down the coast to the seaside resort town of Malindi and others. It is said by the young girls "the white men have money and will get us out of poverty". We

# YMCA GOES TO KENYA

## JOURNEY TO FREEDOM

Ten years ago, my family joined a mission team on a month-long trip to Kenya with Global Connections. Our translator became a dear friend and brother in Christ. Several years later Cornel Oyango had reason to be in the US with his work with Care for Aids and he stayed at our home. During that visit we took him through an Experiential Training for Journey to Freedom. We sent him back to Africa with eleven Journey to Freedom books! Cornel facilitated a class right away.



I shared this exciting information with the author, Scott Reall. This sparked the beginning of the idea to have Journey to Freedom translated into Swahili so many others could benefit from Restore Small Group Ministries. That is exactly what has transpired! Author Scott Reall accompanied by YMCA Christian Mission Director, Stephanie Gibson and two others visited Kenya training facilitators to lead Journey to Freedom groups all across Africa

We were met by 20 of the most eager men and women from all over east Africa and Zambia. They had come from either counseling centers, churches, schools or YMCA's and each had left jobs and family to come for one week of very intensive training and introspective

"group work". At the end of the training week we had 80 more people to attend a one-day overview conference of what Journey to Freedom could do for their communities.

The positive response and interest was far more than we had expected. Along with the speed at which these newly trained facilitators launched new groups in their spheres of influence, with new passion and a sense of being equipped for the life changing process. Journey to Freedom groups are still springing up even as I write this update. Books and materials are in high demand as the need has far exceeded our expectations! As we came to the close of this wonderful adventure it became more and more apparent that the Lord had indeed done a work here that would far outlive us or our small visions, (even though we thought they were big) The apostle Paul describes this same feeling when he writes... "So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow." I Cor. 3:5.

*Stephanie Gibson*

Sr. Chaplain  
Frank P. Phillips YMCA



What a privilege to plant this God given tool in the hands and hearts of others.

**20**

**MEN AND WOMEN  
JOINED US FOR  
INTENSIVE TRAINING**

**80**

**EXPLORED THE POSSIBLE  
IMPACT ON THEIR COMMUNITY  
AT CONFERENCE**

*So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything,  
but only God, who makes things grow.*

*I Corinthians 3:5*

# GLOBAL CONNECTIONS UPDATE

## AND LIFEHOUSE AND LCC BAPTISMS

### GLOBAL CONNECTIONS DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS



We are thrilled to introduce April Barlow to the Global Connections family. Serving as Director of Operations, April joined our team in February and has already made herself invaluable. Responsible for the daily operations of GC, April processes donations, handles bookkeeping and other financial tasks, communicates with our partner organizations, manages grants and grant reporting, keeps the board and management team updated, and

so much more. This is a key position that GC needed to fill, and with the support of generous donors, we were able to hire April part-time with funds donated to our administrative overhead fund. This means we can continue to ensure that 100% of all funds donated to GC for programs like the Limuru Children's Centre, Baby Home, and Pat's Feeding Program continue to go directly to the program specified by donors.

Originally from the Chattanooga area,

April holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Mississippi University for Women and has served on several non-profit boards. She came to GC from Mississippi University for Women where she was the Associate Director of the Office of Outreach & Innovation. April and her husband, Jason, have two daughters, Lily and Meg, and live in Columbus. Please join us in welcoming April to the Global Connections family. We are blessed to have her leadership, heart for ministry, and attention to detail.

### LIFEHOUSE

"We have been engaging our teens in seminars and life skills sessions during school breaks where we have different facilitators come in and talk to them. They especially enjoy different career speakers. We also have had several days of discipleship classes for them during the April school break. The teens have been a joy to have around as the campus is so full. The younger children really are enjoying them - our home is full and busy."

- *Maureen*



**20** LCC boarders are in high school (largest number ever) | **5** in College, NYS or polytechnic

### LCC BAPTISMS

Sunday - April 29, 2018 was a great day for LCC. Five boarders were baptized at Limuru Town Baptist Church by Pastor Stephen. We praise God for Jorum, Ephantus, Margaret, Gabriel, and Morgan.

"Two years ago I got to love on this amazing human (Morgan) for a summer, and he stole my heart for good. He got baptized in my favorite place. I am still amazed every day at the awesome ways Jesus moves and changes hearts. I hope He squeezes all of our babies a little extra tonight!"

- *Caroline Brantley*



# PAT DIXON

## THANK YOU NOTE FROM PAT

Please thank everyone for their support of the Feeding Program. My dining room is full of sacks of sugar, boxes of soap, beef cubes, tea and biscuits. All of this for the Christmas hand out and your blankets are to arrive soon. It will be an extra special Christmas as they normally receive only maize, beans, rice, loaf of bread, 2 pieces of newspaper, book of matches, few pieces of charcoal and a couple of tablespoons of animal fat. Thank you for making this a really special Christmas season for 400 elderly and HIV single moms.

*- Pat Dixon*



Pat Dixon and Al Puckett

## PAT DIXON

With the retirement of her longtime friend and house worker, Tobias, and having reached the top of the waiting list, Pat has made the decision to take a room at a retirement home in Nairobi called Fairseat. She is continuing to keep her "country home" in Tigoni and continues to run her program as always. She is working to ensure the program can continue to run even if she is not available to be there every week. When we visited her in April she was thrilled with her decision and had a bridge game set up in her room for the day after she officially moved in. I am sure she has Fairseat Retirement Home running smoothly by now! We thank God for Pat and for the program she has created. Please join us in prayer for a clear and trustworthy leader to emerge to continue the program and pray for Pat's continued health and energy as she enters into another season of life!

*Anna Puckett*



# GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

RETHINKING HUMANITARIAN AID

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## PRAYER REQUEST

- Pray for a united and passionate team at LCC to maintain high quality of care for all children
- Pray for LCC Baby Home finances/increase in capacity = more babies and more staff = more money needed (average expenditure \$5,000 USD per month) = more sponsors needed
- Pray for new toddler at LCC Baby Home
- Pray for Pat Dixon and her feeding program
- Pray for team of twenty-three in Kenya June 27 - August 9
- Pray for Lifehouse/Teen spiritual retreat - weekend of July 13- 15



## CELEBRATIONS

- Praise God for the leadership of LCC
- Praise God for the number of children in high school
- Praise God for providing so many forever families for our babies
- Praise God for rescued babies
- Praise God for new partner programs in Kenya and U.S.