

# GPF



# AFRICA

## **Praises and Prayer Requests for February 2016**

Dear co-laborers with us for Christ in Kenya,

It is so exciting to see God moving to accomplish things that seem impossible. As we pray together, seek God's plans and rely on Him to be our provider, many people are being impacted and changed by the Word of God and the Love of Jesus as we serve as His hands and feet.

Blessings!

*The Garments of Praise Team*

### **Praises**

1. We rejoice that the WELL is fully operational and the Water Management Team, who had no prior experience, is doing an excellent job of serving the people and providing accountability.
2. God provided abundantly! The students we support, five in Bible College, three in Technical Training, and two High School, have all received the support needed to advance to the next level in their education.
3. God's gracious provision alone has allowed us to meet the challenge of providing daily food for 150 students in Shalom Learning Center, shelter and food for an HIV orphan, and extra funds to help meet teachers' salaries.
4. We were able to assist six worthy students with materials to do advanced training in tailoring and dressmaking. This training has proven to be key in building student confidence; giving them a skill level which will help them to be better prepared to compete for jobs.
5. Our Bridge of Hope Center continues to bless the community of Katwanyaa. Addicts are encouraged to consider Jesus as the answer to their problem, children are taught the dangers of drugs, God's word is taught, worship music played and men of the village find a place of peace and encouragement after a hard days work.

## Prayer Requests

1. **Wisdom as we explore setting up a small uniform manufacturing facility** to employ our tailoring graduates. God gave this vision over 4 years ago and we feel things are in line to go forward at this time. We have a facility, sewing machines, cutting tables and now personnel to oversee the operation.
2. **Guidance on the purchase of land and construction of a building for Shalom Learning Center.** This will provide a much safer and healthier facility. Land we felt God had for us has been locked up in legal dispute but is now open to purchase. Pray for an affordable price and smooth legal process.
3. **Wisdom and equipment to set up a Resource Center for Pastors and Leaders** to help equip them for ministry. We have resource books but need additional computers, tables and chairs.
4. **Guidance and resources** such as Bible teaching materials, tracts and children's books, as we seek God's leading on helping addicts, at risk teens, destitute widows and children in the village of Katwanyaa.
5. **Safety and wisdom:** safety for March/April mission trip and wisdom for our boards in U.S and Kenya as they oversee the ministry and seek God's will and way to minister to those we love in Kenya.

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**“LORD... all we have accomplished you have done for us....” Isaiah 26:12 NIV**

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*Challenged by **Isaiah 61:1-3** (NKJV) it became our desire to provide HOPE by bringing Help to the helpless, giving the Oil of joy to those who mourn, Preaching the gospel to the poor, and Exchanging the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, with the ultimate goal that God may be glorified.*