



Garments of Praise

2010 Update

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Dear Partners,

It is our delight to share with you the progress of the last year so you may rejoice with us. It is so amazing what God has done and is doing!!

What was first a burden, then a prayer and a dream is becoming a reality because of your partnering with us in generous giving and praying.

Our Progress report:

The sewing school, known as the **Garments of Praise Tailoring Institute**, which opened on January 24, 2010, just completed the first full year of the two-year program. We opened in a rented room with 4 rented machines, 5 students and long pew benches to sit on at the machines **BUT** we finished the year



with 10 new machines, 14 ft and 4 pt students and 15 new chairs along with donations for numerous other needed items for the school. We have started the new year with 27 students and a 2nd teacher!



On January 24, 2011 we received \$15,796 from KIF (Kingdom Investment Foundation) allowing us to begin construction on our 30x60 ft building as we raise the remaining \$4,000 needed. This facility will house the Tailoring Institute, a beauty shop and a small manufacturing plant as the women advance in sewing skills. We are looking forward to providing employment opportunities as well as training.



Our bible students finished the year with good grades and are enrolled for the 2011 sessions to be further equipped in the work God has called them to do.

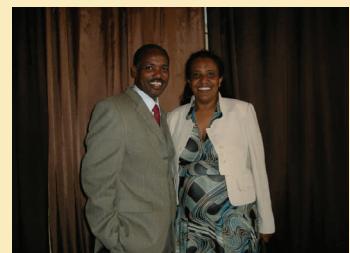


Our partners:

Many wonderful people God has brought along side us, who know the value of prayer and offer it on our behalf, have been very generous and loving in their support of what God is doing in Kenya.



The Board of the United African Evangelical Ministries, the Osbornes along with Pastor and Mrs. Sammy and their church in Eastleigh, worked with us to smooth out many areas of the new work and to further establish a strong bond of understanding and love on our last trip in September/October.



Wanjau Nduba, is a Christian brother from Nairobi, whom we met through a "God appointment" here in Tucson, AZ last September before we left on our trip. He is now working with us and Pastor Sammy, as we explore ways to help refugees who are living in the slums. He has worked for 20 years with Navigators Africa training refugees in how to identify and manage businesses. He has done a three-day evaluation for us of business opportunities and the people we want to help in the Eastleigh area. To this end we are exploring

facility options and are eager to move forward as God leads. There is a room being built as a third floor of the area the church rents to hold services. We are praying that we will be able to rent it. Pray God will give us this "upper room" and the funds to rent it for at least a year . We would be able to train there and produce saleable items identified by brother Nduba as products needed in the area.

Our provisions:

God's family here in the USA have given generously, purchased jewelry and baskets, been faithful in scholarship commitments and provided for needed supplies. There are still opportunities to help a student with a full or partial scholarship. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to this ministry.

Our Praises uplifted:

♥ The first of May we became an official 501 (c3) organization under Servants Christian Community Foundation, at no cost to us!!!

♥ At the end of May our beautiful logo was created and completed, as a gift of love.

♥ In June we received an offer from a web master to design our web page, which is now up and running! Please visit our new web site at:

www.garmentsofpraisetoafricawithlove.org

♥ The forming of the 501 (c3), the logo and the web page would have totaled in the 1000's of dollars **but God provided these to us at no cost.**

HOW TO HELP

Prayer: This is the foundation and power behind the entire work.

Host a speaker: We would be happy to share our ministry with your church or group.

Our desire is to share this ministry with God's people to the end that they will have an opportunity to show the love of God according to I John 3: 16-18.

"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love in words or tongue but with actions and in truth."

Sponsorship: Because they cannot work other jobs while they train, the young women need both the expenses for the Tailoring Institute and food and housing. A full sponsorship for an Ethiopian Refugee and a Kenyan girl is from \$50 to \$100 per month depending on their individual circumstances.

Equipment: We need 10 new treadle machines (\$197 ea), tables, and 15 chairs (\$20 ea) as well as supplies to adequately furnish the new building and accommodate the number of new students.

Donations of any size are much appreciated.

Online donations can now be made directly through our website:

www.garmentsofpraisetoafricawithlove.org

"LORD...all that we have accomplished you have done for us." Isaiah 26:12

Our Foundation "Garments of Praise" was formed in May 2010, under Servant Christian Community Foundation (SCCF) to work with existing ministries in Kenya.

Our Mission is "to establish communities of hope in Africa through practical skills building" by working with established ministries there.

Our Goal is to offer, "**HOPE**": by providing Help for the helpless, the Oil of joy to those who mourn, to "Preach the Gospel to the poor" and to Exchange the "the spirit of despair with the GARTMENTS OF PRAISE", to the end that God would be Glorified; as described in Isaiah 61:1-3.

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