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New Life Foundation

God's heart hurts when children's hearts hurt!

President's Word

Hello friend,

Let me begin by thanking you for partnering with us to do God's work for his children here in Tanzania. We are blessed to have you – and we know it!

February has been a month we were reminded of God's endless love for us. From visits from dear friends to one really BIG gift to the children, we have been thoroughly reminded that the God we serve is on our side. His promises never fail. The everlasting nature of his love and providence stands in stark contrast to our frailties and failing as humans – just another magnificent reminder that he is God, and we aren't. But aren't we glad he is a God of love?

Our staff were also reminded of this same love through an amazing staff retreat we held in Moshi town. These people work their hearts (and bodies) out for the children all year and taking time out to relax and reflect is a much-needed undertaking. One of the greatest assets we have as an organization is the quality and dedication of our staff. I can confidently say that New Life Foundation has the very best working for our children. Oh yes, we do!

Finally, we prepare these newsletters not only to keep you updated but also to warm your heart that the love you give to the children God has entrusted us is touching their hearts in quite wonderful ways. We hope this one does just that. Stay blessed!

*Love,
Your friends in Kilimanjaro,
Glorious & Josephine Shoo*



The Business of Love

We here at New Life believe we're in the business of love. We go about our work with one main goal in mind: to give the love of Christ to the world we live in. We live to spread his life, his message, his salvation. We live to be testaments of what he lived for – and our children grow into the same love. February has been a reminder of the love God has for us. You'll see we've had a lot of reminders, big and small, of his love through the food truck you've blessed us with, through a refreshing retreat we had for our staff and much more. We're even more inspired to live the life of love he's called all of us for. Thank you for being a part of this journey with us.

Walk in love, even as Christ also loved you, and gave himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling fragrance. (Ephesians 5:2)

February Highlights

The Food Truck Arrives

New Life finally received the truck of food it had been waiting for – a gift from Global Assist Network’s Medical Mission International which had been held at the Dar es Salaam port for months for bureaucratic reasons. The 19,000-kilo container arrived with the truck full to the brim with barrels of food for New Life’s children. The children couldn’t contain their elation, running out of class with shouts of joy and thunderous applause as the truck entered Fountain of Hope’s primary grounds. The organization’s ardent prayers were answered! The arrival of this food – a highly nutritious mix of rice, lentils, carrots, and condensed chicken soup – will more than halve New Life’s food expenditure and could in theory last for up to two years serving the whole of our 500+ people community. We want to thank John and Debbie Kiehl who introduced us to Alex Scott, Global Assist Network, who through their Medical Mission International donated this food to God’s children here at New Life. Our gratitude also extends to Pastor Gary Hay, Hope Community Church, NLF USA and all the lovely individuals who helped in freight. You’re a blessing!



National Exam Results

The Form 4 and Form 2 national examination results have just been announced and our amazing children have surpassed expectations once again! The nationals are the official final examinations students take that allow them to enter the next educational stage – they are prepared, invigilated and marked by select teachers from all around the country working under Tanzania’s National Exam Council (NECTA). The Form 4 nationals are a major educational milestone as they mark the end of O-Level secondary schooling, while the Form 2 exams are preparatory in function. With that background, Fountain of Hope’s Form 2 class all passed above & beyond the national pass mark with 4 students recording an A average across and scoring 99% in Physics. Moreover, all the Form 4s passed their exams – with the school being the 1st in our cluster, 4th in the region and 26th in the whole of Tanzania in our schools category. The full results shall be posted on the NLF website:

newlifetz.org



More from February!

Staff Retreat



We held a refreshing staff retreat on Saturday, the 16th. All New Life staff members were present or represented at the event conducted at TAGEMI in Soweto, Moshi. Guest of Honor, Bishop Immanuel Lazaro*, spoke on the critical topic of communications (with God and with men). New Life President, Bishop Glorious Shoo, continued the teachings in the same vein, emphasizing organizational communication. The two men of God went on to minister to each staff member one-on-one, listening and praying for them and their needs. After a hearty lunch, Pastor Ryan and Ms. Alice Limpert led a quite novel session of “laughing at the devil and his lies,” which aimed to show the devil’s lies for what they are and help us walk our lives with the confidence of salvation as believers in Christ. The retreat was packed with many other empowering activities and the staff members returned home revitalized and ready for a year of God’s work and blessings.

Staff ID Redesign

Our communications department has embarked on creating new IDs for all the organization’s staff. This redesign was prompted by the number of new staff and staff with expiring IDs at the institution. This week has seen most of the staff members get their professional ID photos taken for the exercise. The designs are now being submitted to our administrative arm for approval before we move on to the next phase of production and unveiling.



The Domino Family Visit

We had an amazing visit from dear friends and great supporters, the Domino family (Anthony, Meg and their children Alyssa, Jaxon, and Michaela) all the way from Connecticut, USA. During their visit, Mr. Anthony Domino, a financial consultant, held a special introductory talk with NLF staff on personal budgeting and finance – which yielded much discussion and appreciation. Mama, Dr. Meg Domino, led a public health session with grades 6 & 7 on adolescent development and health – a session the students thoroughly enjoyed. Jaxon and Michaela enjoyed a game of duck-duck-goose with grades 1 & 2. Their daughter Alyssa Domino, a volunteer here at New Life for the past five months, introduced her family to the Fountain of Joy girls she teaches after the organization-wide prayer & worship service the Dominos joined us in. Their stay in Tanzania also included visits to Karatu, Mto wa Mbu and Arusha – accompanied by NLF representative, Princely – where Dr. Meg Domino held varied public health sessions. We want to thank the Domino family for their lovely visit, amazing support and their wonderful daughter.



Thank you!

New Life Foundation appreciates your continued interest and support as our organization grows forth. We would love to hear from you and see your friendly faces. Your time, expertise, donations and – above all – your hearts and prayers are what keep God's work at this organization rolling!



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