Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Welcome Anne!



Walindwa welcomes Anne Murigu to its team. Anne was born and raised in Central Kenya, about 100 miles from Nairobi. In her early 20s, she gained sponsorship and was able to move to the San Diego area to pursue higher education as an international student. She completed her undergrad from Cal State San Marcos and her graduate degree from Texas A&M with an MBA and a minor in International Business. She works as a project manager for Becton-Dickinson's Engineering Department.

Anne contributes to Walindwa through both her project management experience and her unique awareness of the Kenyan culture. She feels blessed to be able give back to her native community.

@ 2018 63 kids 14 teachers 1 cooking pot 2 church partners 44 loving sponsors 3 trips to visit EBCCK \$10K in corporate gifts 50 e-readers from a donor \$120K in generous donations and it's all due to you & Him!

An Alternate Alternative Christmas Market

If you've supported Walindwa in the past through the RBCC Alternative Market, please consider giving directly to us this year. We've even provided a convenient form for you below. Need one of the enclosure cards with the info about Walindwa? No problem; just email us and we'll send you what you need.



<< President Jill Weller with Faith, Mercy, Mercy 2, and Sharon

EBCCK, Kenya, October 2018



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Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Please know that 100% of your contributions go to the children and their care. Our board and the Kenyan Board are all volunteers in God's service to His children.

Walindwa welcomes your year-end donations with gratitude. Please clip here and send to Walindwa Charitable Corporation, P.O. Box 270024, San Diego, CA 92198-2024.

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## Letter from the Board of Directors

### Dear Friends of Walindwa,

2018 has been a year of tremendous blessings and change for the Elma Barnett Children's Centre and Elma Kamonong High School. All of our 63 children are healthy and being cared for in a Christ-centered environment while working to achieve an education aimed at making them contributing members of Kenyan society and God's Kingdom.

We just graduated our second class of 30 students from the high school which continues to grow (now 120 students). We have added a housing unit for the teachers with a second one planned, allowing our teachers to live on campus. A biofuel processing facility, using cow dung, provides gas for cooking and heating. The solar system provides electricity for light and power. The Science Center is a model for local high schools, provides for STEM studies and has been augmented by e-readers for the students. The student dorms are being updated and improved as we strive to provide a top-notch learning environment. The dining hall serves also as an auditorium for church services and community events.



*EKHS* graduation ceremony in the dining hall.

The primary school is introducing the e-readers and will also benefit from new teacher housing, the solar power and biofuel systems. The student dorms are being improved, and we plan on building a new classroom complex in the near future. Most importantly, the children continue to be well cared for in a secure, loving environment. Our house-mothers and teachers are wonderful Christian role-models and surrogate parents. They are the ones who make it all work and allow our kids to prosper.

Almost all the food for both the high school and EBCCK is provided on site, including cows for milk (and dung) and chickens for eggs and meat. The children participate in growing the crops and caring for the animals, learning agricultural skills as well as responsibility.

Future plans include a fund to supplement teacher salaries so we can hire and retain the very best. We also plan on construction of housing for the Principal and Deputy of the high school, apartments for visiting teachers and a new fence and gate for added security.

All of this is made possible by God's Blessings through you - our sponsors and other donors. We are all humbled and grateful to you for your prayers and generous contributions.

With deep thanks to you and to our Lord and Leader Jesus Christ,

## The Walindwa Board