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hi again friends,

Welcome to the September newsletter and updates. Kivuli Project is looking forward and establishing a home with firm foundations for children who need care and protection, uplifting poor families, working closely with the community and establishing lasting solutions to some of the problems that are faced here in Kenya.

We have children from different areas of the country, who are studying in schools across the learning levels, ranging from high school down to pre-school. We also have others placed under home-based care

where we support the family whilst they live together, and help their children access basic education.

September has been a month of massive planting and land preparations, and of course ongoing construction, amongst other things. We have witnessed the love of Jesus overwhelming our project through the donations and visitors who have been to our project. We have been touched by the love of God and that is why we do the development work we do, because He first loved us.



I take this chance to thank all who support the project through their earnest prayers, financial support, emails and visits. Thanks to all who subscribe

to our monthly newsletter, we feel encouraged and uplifted.

Thanks,
Wairangu (Isaac)
Project Manager



community demonstration

With the help of the local Ministry of Agriculture-animal production representative here in Ndaragwa, maize from our shamba was used to demonstrate how to prepare silage. We advertised this demonstration in the nearby villages and encouraged any interested dairy farmers to attend the day. Several members from the community near and far turned up for the training and were happy to learn. Preparing silage is a good way of storing fodder as nutrient loss is minimised. This is a very important skill for dairy farmers to have as it can save their livestock in case of drought, as they are able to prepare and store food in the ground for such cases.

COWS

We are now getting even more milk after acquiring an additional cow, Blessing, last month. This month we made our first ever dairy-meal using ground sunflower seeds and maize, all from our very own shamba. We have also started constructing a cow clutch, where the cows can go to get sprayed (or have their 'shower') to avoid ticks and diseases. We did this after advice from the Livestock Officer that we should not spray them in the cow shed.

One of our cows, Rachel, was on heat for the first time since giving birth, and so at midnight one evening the veterinary officer came to have her served. We are waiting eagerly to see whether it was successful and will know whether she is pregnant in early October. Then, at the end of the month Milly first came on heat too since giving birth, so we might have two pregnant cows again soon!



welcome back dan and dee

After a long stay in Australia, Dan, Dee and their two daughters Marley and Zoe arrived back in Kenya and all of our hearts were greatly encouraged. It was a wonderful reunion and it is great to have them back here. The Rutherford family are the first residents of our first completed children's cottage, which will be occupied by the Kivuli children and housemothers when the second and third cottages are completed.

karibuclarice!

Earlier this month we had another visitor from Australia spend some time with us. Clarice is no stranger to African life, having spent time in 2012 managing an orphanage in Uganda. On her way through Kenya, she felt it would be good to visit Kivuli after hearing so much about it from our Australian Chairman, David Craig, her next-door neighbour. It was good to share ideas and experiences with each other, and our Kenyan team really enjoyed it. Clarice certainly got her hands dirty, getting involved with planting, helping with the chickens, and she even planted a pink rose by the new cottages. It was an encouraging time and we look forward to another possible visit from her in October as she travels through Kenya again on her way back from Uganda, before heading home to Australia.



kivuli gift catalogue

As you start thinking about Christmas presents this year (where has the time gone?) we would like to again encourage you to consider purchasing a gift from the Kivuli Gift Catalogue range. You will receive a gift card for each item purchased to give to your friends, relatives and colleagues explaining what the item is and how Kivuli will use it. We will even be adding a few more items this year for you to choose from ("oink oink"), so keep a lookout on our website. Oh, and don't forget all items purchased are tax deductible in Australia and the USA.



visit from the community

At the end of the month, we had a lovely visit from some members of the community. They work at the local dairy, and decided that they would come and share with the children at our Children's Home. It was a wonderful display of love, and they enjoyed seeing the work of Kivuli and meeting the children. They even came with some gifts for the children, including soda, flour, soap, sweets and other items.



wairangu bound for mozambique!

On the 2nd of October, our Project Manager Isaac Wairangu will head to Mozambique to attend the Iris Harvest School of Missions in Pemba, Mozambique. He is extremely excited about this opportunity and about leaving his country for the first time... "It with sincerity that I say my life will be changed. To some extent of which I can hardly tell of its depth, height, how wide or narrow it will be. Only God knows. Blessed be his name forever." The training will take place from 3rd October to 9th December 2013.

We would like to thank the members of Deep Creek Anglican Church in Melbourne and other individuals who generously contributed so that Isaac can attend. We look forward to seeing what God does in Isaac's life through this opportunity and how it will positively impact Kivuli in the future.

**Please note that Isaac's training in Mozambique was not funded through GDG Project J606N Kivuli Project, as it is an evangelical activity.*

for those that pray

Praise God for

- The safe return of Dan, Dee, Marley and Zoe to Kenya
- A great community demonstration day and strengthening community relationships
- His constant provision for the project.

Please pray for

- Isaac as he travels to Mozambique for his training
- Our cows, Milly and Rachel, that they will/have conceived and grow healthy baby heifers!
- Peace in Kenya, and for all those affected by the recent terrorist attack at the West Gate Mall in Nairobi.

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