



NEWSLETTER

from Susanne & Leif Madsen



We wish you a Merry Christmas and rich blessings from the Lord in the New Year, with the prayer that even more people may receive Jesus Christ - the greatest gift of all. We also want to thank all of you for faithfully standing with us in the work of New Life Africa International.

Without your help in various ways, we would not be able to help so many poor people in Kenya.

So, let us rejoice together in the fact that these children and young people have help and a new hope for the future.

Yours sincerely,
Susanne and Leif



New Life Africa International only helps poor children

NLAI only helps poor children and young people who otherwise would be left without an opportunity for education and a bright future. We don't allow anyone to pay for their children to enter the NLAI schools because they could take the place of students from poor backgrounds, who are those that we really want to care for. There are currently 843 lovely children and young people receiving food, clothing, counselling and the opportunity to talk with adults with a heart for those who nobody else will help. Furthermore, the students get school supplies such as books, school bags, shoes and uniforms as well as medicine.

The children are taught singing, music, dancing, scouting and sports. They also receive computer training and join together to learn and become familiar with the stories from the Bible.

The following young people have completed their education through NLAI

Five of our young people graduated in October and November 2019.



Hiroshi and Peter both finished their time at University. Hiroshi obtained a degree in Education and Peter obtained a degree in Economics & Statistics.



course based on learning life skills. Although she is almost blind, she has moved out to live on her own as she now can take care of herself.



Ann has completed a diploma in Fashion & Design as well as qualifying as a Hairdresser.

Beatrice, from the orphanage, completed a college



Elizabet from the orphanage has completed diploma in Social Work and Community Development.

Imagine the changes that you are making in people's lives through supporting children and teenagers in NLAI. It is overwhelming to realize how many people receive hope for a brighter future. Thank you so much! We are deeply grateful for your support. Without you, this could not be done at all.



50 new children start school in January and we need sponsors for them. If you would like to become a sponsor for a child, please write to: newlifeafricainternational@gmail.com



Currently, 94 young people, who are getting help through NLAI, are attending High School. They started out at the age of three in kindergarten class, where they stayed for three years. After that, they went from the 1st to the 8th grade in the NLAI School followed by four years at High School. Some attend boarding schools, which are significantly more expensive. NLAI pays for all expenses at the various schools as we have sponsors who cover this.





Greetings from us

Children and grandchildren

Recently we became grandparents again when our son André and our daughter-in-law, Édima, who live in South Africa, received a lovely little daughter named Valentina.

Valentina is our ninth grandchild and there are probably more to come. We enjoy living in Denmark and welcome the opportunity to spend more time with our family, not least the lovely grandchildren.

For the first time in 26 years, we have the opportunity to have all of our children and grandchildren (apart from André, Édima and Valentina in South Africa) gathered for Christmas in our own home.



Meetings

We have opportunities to travel and hold meetings in various places, where God opens the doors.



We have just been to Hillerød and Køge. In September, we went to Læsø and shared about the work in NLAI. We met in the parish with a full house.



Guests and volunteers



Since our last newsletter, an amazing number of guests have visited NLAI, Kenya, from Denmark, the Faroe Islands, England, China and Iceland. Various boarding schools have sent teams and other visitors came alone or in groups.



Susanne and her sister also visited NLAI Nakuru, Kenya in June and October to oversee the work and to encourage and counsel those based there. It is always rewarding - both ways - to have conversations with the staff as well as the children and the teenagers and to give hugs and advice to those connected to NLAI.

Susanne writes:

Personally, it is a great pleasure for me to witness and experience what happens to the beautiful children at the orphanage every time I am in Kenya. As I spend time with them - sitting and listening to their stories, many times there are tears running down their cheeks and often my cheeks too. What those kids



have been through is so hard to relate to and almost impossible to fathom. Small children have witnessed their mum and dad fighting, and some have been sexually abused at a very early age by fathers, uncles, neighbours or others. Some of the children have been put on the street by their family who had no food to offer their children. Others, who stayed with aunts and uncles, suddenly realized that the stepfather or stepmother did not want them as part of their family and therefore threw them out of the house where they became street children. As you sit and listen to their story, there is only one thing you can do which is hug them and hold them in your arms, to give them your love in silence. It is as if words are of no use in a situation like this, where only your presence and a hug can encourage them to carry on with hope for the future.



Help for street children

NLAI helps boys and girls from the street who move in to be rehabilitated. The children are directed to the orphanages by the authorities who leave the responsibility for the children to NLAI.

Eleven new children

Between June and October 2019, eleven children came to the orphanages. These children are not yet covered by sponsorships which will cover the expenses associated with living in NLAI orphanages.

When these children and teenagers grow up, they will become leaders in Kenya who will change their communities in the future. It is a great pleasure to see these children and young people experience a transformation in their lives that gives them hope for the future and a faith in God that gives them a good foundation in life. The children are doing well and enjoy going to school.



The orphanage



At the time of writing, the orphanage accommodates 112 children and teenagers aged 3 to 18. 24/7 there are adults staying in the orphanage in order to meet all the needs of the children. The children live together at the same compound with boys and girls in separate homes. They function as a family and get involved in the daily routines of cooking, washing etc. There is plenty of food for everyone. They receive care and love and the chance to sing, dance, play, take part in leisure activities, travel and just be happy children. They also are given help to be part of a fellowship and opportunities to listen to words from the Bible.

It is amazing to see the children grow up and change from being frightened and scared because of what they have gone through with violence, abuse and neglect to have a normal life. After spending some time at the orphanage, they become happy children who can play, sing, and dance and experience the joy of being a family in NLAI.



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Graduation



Again this year two PP2 classes (kindergarten classes) at the Tumaini Jipya at the dumpsite and the NLAI School have graduated as well as 8th class students. These days are always festive but also sad for the graduates from 8th class, whose daily life at the NLAI school has come to an end. The children's relatives join in on this great day and celebrate together with them.



Christmas parties at NLAI School and NLAI Tumaini Jipya



All the students have now completed the final exam and have started their Christmas holiday. The next school year begins on January 6th, 2020.

A big Christmas party has been held and there was a gathering in the church, where the Christmas story was told. All of the children and their relatives were invited and gifts for all children were handed out as well as a bag of food for relatives. A hot meal was served afterwards. These days are of great importance to the children and their relatives, so despite the huge expense for NLAI, it is the only Christmas party these poor people will experience this year. Thank you so much to all of you who contributed with an extra donation to this collection.



College & University

32 young people are now attending college and university and receiving the required financial help for schooling, books, food and transportation. Several students have to live on the campus far outside Nakuru and these expenses are covered by the NLAI as well. Two counsellors are employed to have conversations with the students about their challenges and to train them to take responsibility and become leaders in the school and other institutions. They are also educated in the word of God and many receive help to overcome the crises in their lives rooted in their childhood. We try to teach them to forgive the people who in some way have hurt them so that they may be able to live their lives in joy and freedom.

New students beginning education

Four young people started courses in September 2019 at various colleges and universities.



Collins started an Electronics course.

Sarah started training as a Physiotherapist.

Ann started a Building and Construction course.

Jane joined university to study International Relations & Diplomacy with IT.



The Crisis Center FWCC

Seven women and children live in the center, where they receive help in many ways. The women live together with their children in a

large room and they help each other. Through counselling, conversations and the word of God, employees at the center do their best to help these women to move on with their lives. There are also various activities every day (such as cooking and cleaning) where they can contribute. The center has also started a small chicken farm that needs to be cared for. Furthermore, time is also spent on learning how to sew, knit, etc. The NLAI supports the center financially, but has no influence on the center as such, as the center is a project which is under the church. NLAI has helped to initiate the project and is pleased to help them to move on in life.



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Change of bank

When switching bank please remember also to move the transfers to your sponsor child in NLAI to the new bank. We find that several people are not aware of this.

Approx. two times a year you will receive a letter of thanks. If you do not receive it and you have given money, it is probably due to a mistake or an error, so please contact us for correction.



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Change of address, and other information, please contact Jette Moes & Ole Corneliusen, Ved Bjerget 20, 9530 Støvring, Denmark. E-mail: corneliusen@post.tele.dk

The NLAI School of Garment Making



This school is an education center that provides young people with a 4-year entrepreneurial education. In addition to the basic education of garment making which ends with final state-controlled exams in design, they are also equipped to start their own business. The students also receive specialized help in dealing with life crises, help to overcome the bitterness that almost everyone carries with them and they also learn how to forgive.

Many of the young people have experienced traumatic things in their lives: they have been cast out by their family, subjected to rape, abused by fathers or uncles, witnessed and experienced violence, etc. and often stand alone with small children in a strained economy. The sewing school has hired three employees to teach the students as well as guide them through their studies.



For the last four years, donations from a fund from Norway has been very helpful for which we are very grateful. However, we are now in a situation where we need new sponsors to help the young people we passionately care about to continue their education in the future. The education provided through NLAI has proven to be a life transforming experience for these young people.

Thank you for helping and interceding for the future of this school. Everyone - private or corporate - can contribute to support the garment school. The monthly expenses add up to approx. \$ 1600, or £ 1250-. Please label your deposit "School of Garment making".



The Girls' House: Needs for renovation and solar heating

The girls' house appears to be much worn. Over time, some water damage has occurred as well. Now that NLAI has its own well and thus has plenty of water, we would like the girls to have hot water from a solar hot water system like the one which has been installed in the new boys' house.

This will require a stronger roof construction which can support the weight of the solar thermal systems on the roof. It will also be necessary to build a water tower to ensure that there is enough pressure for the water heaters.

We have a budget for the work and expect the expense of the renovation of the girl's house to amount to approximately \$ 74000 or £ 57.000. We expect the cost for the water tower to be approximately \$ 44000 or £ 34.000.

Some money has already been raised for this purpose, but we will be grateful for further support for this project. Please label it: "Girls' House".

Final greetings with the words from 2nd Corinthians 9.15: **"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift [the Lord Jesus]."**

To support the ministry you can send payment to: In Denmark:

Account name: Betania Kirkecenter's Ydremission.
Write also: N.L.A.I. - Swift/BIC code: JYSPDK2G -
IBAN no. DK7097120741793075

If you want to make a payment to a bank in Kenya:

Bank Name: Prime Bank Ltd., Nakuru Branch, Kenya
Swift Code: PRIKENX - Bank Account: 2001116476
Account Name: New Life Africa International - Currency: USD

A new payment method is now available on our webpage

Please send an e-mail to: newlifeafricainternational@gmail.com if your donation through the webpage is earmarked.

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God bless you all abundantly!

Yours sincerely
Susanne and Leif Madsen



You can support the work in different areas or sponsor a person

Support a child in primary school	\$ 55 / £ 35 per month
Half sponsorship in primary school	\$ 29 / £ 19 per month
Support a child in NLAI Homes	\$ 105 / £ 68 per month
Half support for NLAI Homes	\$ 54 / £ 35 per month
Support a student in High School/ practical training .	\$ 180 / £ 117 per month
Half support for High school / practical.	\$ 90 / £ 60 per month
University and further education	4 sponsors x \$ 95 / £ 65 per month
Crisis Centre (mother + child)	3 sponsors x \$ 95 / £ 65 per month
Mission work	any amount is welcome
Maintenance & operation	any amount is welcome
General support	any amount is welcome