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NEWSLETTER from Susanne & Leif Madsen



Group trip to Kenya



We have just returned from a 3-week trip to Kenya, together with 19 other people.

The group came from different parts of Denmark and approximately half of the participants were people we have never met before.

We are grateful to God that everything went smoothly! Nobody got seriously ill and there were no accidents. Everything went according to the programme, so we all enjoyed the trip to the full. The guests were very touched through seeing and listening to the testimonies from children, young people and adults whose lives have been transformed by faith in Christ and his love for them realized in getting an education and a dignified life.

Greetings from the guests who visited NLAI in February

Every year many Danes travel to Kenya on holiday. There is so much to see and experience. The group went on safari to experience the great variety of African animals and they visited parts of the Kenyan nature, which are magnificent. Most visitors do not see the life "behind the façade," but they were able to and we do too!

Through New Life Africa International's extensive work in Nakuru, we have met poor children, young people, and adults -

some who are well-educated and many who are in education. At NLAI, they work in many ways to help children and young people from a background of poverty - often ostracized by society - to become visible, important, and strong in the belief that they are completely unique! All this gives meaning to their lives. To witness this made a big impression on us.

With this greeting, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone at NLAI. Thank you to

the children, the young people and the staff for giving us a warm welcome, for sharing your daily life, for the great work you are doing and for your commitment to us as guests.

Thank you for faith in hope and charity and thank you for the great difference you all make. All Christians are missionaries in some way. Everyone has an obligation to tell others about Jesus. With these words, thank you to Susanne and Leif for sharing NLAI with us. All the best to you and NLAI.

What we do in life will echo in eternity

So, dear reader, help us spread knowledge of NLAI and what a sponsor can do to help vulnerable children and young people. We can all help in giving the children new opportunities through



New Life Africa International's work in Nakuru. At NLAI, loving and competent adults take care of the children to give them a safe upbringing, an education, and a foundation for a better future. We saw it because we were there!

Many warm regards, Peter & Anne Corneliussen

New children in Pre-primary School



17 small pupils in PP1 preschool started at New Life Africa Tumaini school on 5 February 2023 and 5 of them have been sponsored. Here is an opportunity for you to help one of the lovely little children.

New Life Africa International preschool has received 41 new students in PP1. 15 of them have got sponsors, so there is still a need to finance the rest.







Personal greetings

News from Susanne og Leif

Dear friends - Thank you for intercession for our eldest daughter Louise, who underwent surgery in December 2022 after doctors explored the possibility of a cancerous tumor. After successful surgery and the biopsy finally came back, we thank God it turned out that the cyst

was benign. As our daughter has been under great mental pressure with the uncertainty, and waiting for surgery and its result, she now needs to rest as her body recovers from the surgery.

Christmas party 2022





Thank you so much for the help towards the Christmas party with gifts for the school children and the children at the orphanage. A special thank you to Billesborgskolen, in Køge, who held a special exercise run to raise money for this, and to others who donated money for this. It was a great encouragement and joy to everyone.

Leif revisiting Kenya





It was a particularly good experience for Leif to be back in Kenya after several years of absence.

The employees and the children did their best to make the guests and especially Leif feel welcome.

It was really good for Leif to revisit staff, including new staff members. It was also really good for him to meet all the children, many of whom he had not met before as new cohorts come in every year.

The best part was to meet the people with whom Leif had worked with before and for him to experience that they still have a big heart for the children and young people they work with.

It is obvious that NLAI now has some fantastic facilities and devoted employees who are of great help to the many children and young people who need help for a better future.

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Kenya trip with old friends

2 of the 19 participants were our friends Solveig and Gunnar Hansen from Aarhus, who we have known since our youth.

They found it very exciting to see the location and the work of New Life Africa International that has filled our entire lives for almost 30 years now.



They write:

It was a fantastic, good experience to be part of the trip to Kenya, and we are still very excited about everything we saw and experienced.

It has been overwhelming to see how the work that Susanne and Leif have built up over many years has proven its value for so many children and young people who now can get a

dignified future - people who otherwise would have to live in the streets or under very difficult and poor conditions.

Thank you for also letting us gain an insight into the very difficult backgrounds that most of them come from, and how they smile and are happy today. We could not hold back our tears. We thank God that he cares for everyone in NLAI.

It was also incredibly exciting to be on safari trips with good guides who led us to see, "The Big Five." We also went on a hot air balloon ride over the savanna, from where we could see all the animals and we experienced the beautiful sunrise.

To spend the night in very nice safari tents and lodge hotels in the animal park, where we could hear all the interesting sounds from the animals was a thrill!

In short, it has been an experience of a lifetime.

Yours sincerely, Solveig og Gunner

Other visitors







Karen Margrethe from Randers and Jóna and Billy from the Faroe Islands have once again been out to help with the work in NLAI and to encourage everybody. Jóna is very good in finding new sponsors at the Faroe Islands and that is a huge help for the work of NLAI. Roger, Angela and John from the UK have also been in Kenya to help out in different ways at NLAI.

John has been teaching children, adults and staff in psychology and counselling.

If you change 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.



New Life Africa International Junior Secondary School

In January 2023, the new school reform started for the Junior Secondary students, who are 7th grade students in Kenya. NLAI's School Principal Jane Makena received a message from the authorities in charge of education in Nakuru to say that they had selected the NLAI school to facilitate and initiate a Junior Secondary School.

She received the confirmation on January 15, 2023, and the school was supposed to begin on February 5, 2023.

It brought a busy and expensive time for the school. New uniforms had to be chosen, approved and purchased.

More new books were needed for the 14 different subjects to be taught in Junior Secondary and a new teaching plan had to be arranged. More classrooms are needed, but in a few months, when the girls move back into their renovated house, the space will be provided for.

We may have to change the premises a bit, to facilitate a physics room, a chemistry room, and a workshop for sewing and art etc. We have a computer class, but we need new and faster laptops as required by the Ministry of Education in Kenya, to be able to use the new IT system.

The joy was great when the 7th grade class of 52 students at NLAI were able to begin in the Junior Secondary School on 5 February 2023.



The remaining 15 students, who were supposed to start 7th grade, have also started at Mlimani Junior Secondary School.

The students attend Junior Secondary school for 3 years, then they go to Senior Secondary School at other schools for another 3 years. If a student qualifies, he or she may proceed to college or university for 3 years.

In the future there will be many Junior Secondary School students at our school.

Consequently, expenses per student will increase to meet the need of the necessary teachers, premises, books, and uniforms.

Major renovation of the Girls' House



As we wrote in our last newsletter, the renovation work on the Girls' House began in December 2022 and the work is progressing well.



The building has got a brand-new roof and inside the craftsmen are busy replacing all water and electric installations.

New ceilings have been installed and some walls have been repaired after water damage.

The wet rooms are now crafted with waterproof floors and walls.

To ensure that the girls have free hot

To ensure that the girls have free hot baths in the future, solar water heaters have been installed on the roof.

The renovation had a budget amounting approx. US\$ 72000 / £ 59000 and it seems largely to hold. We only need approx. US\$ 17000 / £ 14000 more to complete the project. Anyone with a heart to help us with the last part, should send a donation and mark it "The Girls' House."

During our visit to Kenya, we were very encouraged to see the school building and the Boys' House in good condition. When the renovation of the Girls' House has been completed, NLAI will have some very good and modern facilities for work in the future.



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Education completed



















Many thanks to all of you who have helped to provide the young people with an education. Now they can take care of themselves and be a help to others wherever they may settle in the future.

Since the publication of our last newsletter, the following 9 students completed their education in December 2022 with the support from NLAI.

Mary: Certificate in General Agriculture. Ann: Diploma in Building and Construction. Ruth Wairimu: Certificate in Hair & beauty. Daniel: Certificate in Plumbing & Masonry Anthony: Diploma in Electrical Engineering. John: Certificate in General Agriculture. Brian: Diploma in Broadcast Journalism. Ann: Certificate in Painting & Decoration. Samuel: Certificate in Hair & Beauty













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Contact in England: Roger Batchelor, jrbatsp@gmail.com Contact in Iceland: Kristinn Asgrimsson, hvitkef@simnet.is

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

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

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Five new children at the orphanage since Oct. 2022

There are now a total of 60 boys and 53 girls living at the NLAI orphanages.

13 new students have started in Form 1, which is the first year of secondary school under the old system, there are 99 young people, for whom NLAI pays the school expenses.

40 more young people are doing their education at various colleges and universities.

In addition New Life Africa International has a Garment Making School with 52 students who undertake a 4-year sewing education.

The Garment Making School is supported by the Government of the Faroe Islands and when the education is completed, almost everybody gets a job.

Greetings with Psalm 145, 14: The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

With love, Susanne and Leif Madsen

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

| Support a child in primary school |
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| Half sponsorship in primary school |
| Support a child in NLAI Homes \$ 105 / £ 82 per month |
| Half support for NLAI Homes |
| Student in High school/practical/Junior secondary $$. .\$ 180 / £ 140 per month |
| Half for High school/practical/Junior secondary $\ .\ .\ .\ \$\ 90\ /\ \pounds\ 70$ per month |
| High school / Junior secondary day \$ 90 / £ 70 per month |
| University and further education $\dots 3$ sponsors x $95/£70$ per month |
| Mission work |
| Maintenance & operation any amount is welcome |
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