

OVERCOMING FAITH SCHOOLS

NEWSLETTER FOR APRIL 2020

Kenya ill prepared to fight Covid19



Teachers pray before they go for food distributions and supplies to our students in the villages

The Kenya medical practitioners are fighting saving lives of the victims of Covid-19 amidst cries of lack of PPE's, so far the country has registered almost 700 cases with 239 recoveries. Only 32,000 people have been tested in a population of almost 50 million people. Personally I want nothing back to go back to school and learn

**Written by; Craig Titus
Grade 6**

Zoning for food, classes and basic supplies

With the Government locking some regions and slamming curfew hours, the school decided to do zoning and put all children under sections. We put children into 67 groups of 15 depending on their region and a teacher in charge of each group. We have organized food deliveries, masks, soaps and sanitary towels. It is not easy since some villages are really cut off from the roads. The staff have to walk long distances reaching the children.

By: Teacher Salome

The big fear

Everyone in Kenya fears to be taken to quarantine facilities. Every County was asked to set aside five quarantine Centres for Covid-19 suspects.

It is said some facilities do not have beds, food and other basic necessities yet those taken there are mandated to pay for their upkeep and buy their own foods. Worse, the police are using that as a punishment like when found out on curfew areas you are taken to the quarantine areas. The guardian of Marion and Jessica in Nambale school was taken to the quarantine Centre with a two months old baby. She was walking home from the market where she sales charcoal. Our staff went to bail her out,

Written by; Stephen Hoanga - Grade 7.



Overcoming Faith staff distributes food hampers, soaps, masks and sanitary towels to our students and guardians in the villages. Masks adorned by staff courtesy of Peter Chang CEO, Aroma.



Marion's guardian Jesca with her two months baby in quarantine

Floods

We have had too much rain that has caused havoc. Bridges have been broken or washed away and these has made people to loose their homes and are being accommodated in schools and have no blankets, food and basic supplies and worse, the places are overpopulated.

17 of our children in Nambale School are victims of floods in Budalangi and 4 are victims in Mumias after the collapse of River Nzoia Bridge.

The number of deaths caused by floods is overwhelming, whereas 32 people have died of Covid-19. Floods have taken away the lives of almost 300 people. Floods are also causing a lot of water borne diseases in Kenya and one of our students Hines Adagi is receiving treatment since he is sick. **Written by; Larvine Orpa - Grade 8**



Pastor Alice consoling with one of our students *Nimrod* of grade 6. His family lost everything in the floods

To fight Covid-19 (as taught to us by our teachers)

KEY THINGS

1. GOD FIRST
2. WASH HANDS
3. NO TOUCH OF FACE
4. DISINFECT
5. SOCIAL DISTANCE
6. PRAY ALWAYS

Watch hours

The intercessors led by Pastor Alice and Teacher Oyoya ask people to choose watch hours so that the leader of the day is not alone and the prayer chain is not broken. The prayer was organized on 8 watch hours and has been running since last years. Of the key things we pray for our health, AROMA, Tucklets, our Schools, all the children in the World, Israel and Salvation for non-believers. And now we pray against Covid19 daily.

**Written by; Dismas Isanjiro
Grade 5**

Challenges

- Natural disasters, floods, Covid-19, sickness
- Famine caused by locusts
- Increased food prices
- Distances where children are staying in villages
- Inadequacy of personal supplies for the children
- Children missing classes aired through Televisions and Radios.

Achievements

- Sharing God's Love
- Successful distribution of food hampers, masks, soaps
- Solidarity in handling crisis and discipline of children.
- Submission of all statutory requirements to the government for construction of borehole for Nambale School. Funds for this project have been donated by Pastor Cathy's church in Taiwan.

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