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Hello dear friend of MCF,

It is my hope and prayer that you are all doing well. The year has been moving very fast, more than ever before. My work load has been increased and private time no longer seems to have any place anywhere. Esther's talents continue to flow in many ways especially to unexpected babies born by girls who join MCF Yatta Street Girls Rehabilitation Centre while pregnant. She has been able to assist them during the labour period.

We have been very blessed with several groups of visitors from Europe, Canada, USA and Australia who have been working as volunteers in our horticulture farm, education department, building construction, outreach missions and spiritual nourishment departments. It has been a very good experience having different cultures and traditions together as one family. We are so thankful for all those who came to spend time with the children as well as volunteer both for a short or long time since the beginning of this year.

The MV Doulos ship which sails around the world has docked in the Kenyan Kilindini Port in Mombasa. MCF has been privileged to send a team of 17 youth to work as volunteers for about 2 weeks inside the ship. All these young people from MCF are really excited to have this opportunity of serving in the ship in various ways. I am also involved in teaching the word of God to hundreds of people in the ship at Mombasa.

The Yatta Street Girls Rehabilitation Centre has experienced tremendous growth from 98 girls in February to a current 219 girls. About 20 Babies accompanied these young mothers while 4 girls have already given birth in the last 3 months. One young girl is in labour and is waiting to deliver a new baby at the MCF clinic!

The buildings which have been under construction at the centre are now complete and ready for occupation. The Yatta Dispensary looks beautiful while the dormitory is nearing its completion.

The dam, which has been under construction since March 2005, is 90% complete, hence some little water is flowing for our future horticultural and environmental development. We plan to plant at least 15,000 trees within the next one year with a view to have a conducive microclimate around Yatta.

The Yatta girls centre is facing a critical need for a second bore hole as the present one does not adequately meet the needs of the girls and members of staff.

Water has also remained a very big issue at MCF Ndalani where only one borehole is serving over 600 children and members of staff and not to forget the surrounding members of our community. We are planning to build a water treatment (Purification) plant along Thika river at Ndalani where thousands of liters of water will be treated and pumped to

treatment (purification) plant along Tana river at Ndaram where thousands of liters of water will be treated and pumped to MCF water tanks for use by all the children and the surrounding community. This is a project which needs prayer and financial support.

EDUCATION/SPORTS

Our Karate team is traveling to Nairobi this weekend for a special tournament and we hope to win several awards.

In the results received early this year, the MCF Grade 12 who sat their exams in 2004 attained a high mean grade during the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education examinations. The results were very impressive and thus made MCF school to be among the top 100 schools in Kenya.

TRAGEDY / ACCIDENT. This year, we have been accosted by several car accidents where one of our cars was completely damaged and written off while two others were damaged but can be repaired. In a separate accident, Isaac, My son, early this month had a head on collision with a drunk man who was ridding a bicycle. The drunk man turned abruptly from a footpath onto the road and then was hit by the car, after which he died a few hours later while undergoing treatment in hospital. Please join us in prayer about this issue.

The MCF strategies and planning on the HIV/ AIDS child orphans who live with their grand parents after the death of their parents in various communities within our country, has commenced quite well with the establishment of drop out centers at the following places;

- MCF Kangundo in Eastern province - 119 Children (They receive Education, food, medical care and spiritual nourishment)
- Mombasa Coast Province - 130 Children (They receive Education, counseling, Medical care and Spiritual nourishment)
- Kitale RiftValley Province - 250 street children are fed and given medical service as well as spiritual nourishment during our monthly outreach missions. However, no education is offered to this group.

MCF HOMES POPULATION

In addition to the above, we have children in the MCF homes where they are provided with food, accommodation, clothing, medical care, education, spiritual nourishment and parental love.

- MCF Ndalani is home to 472 children both boys and girls with primary and secondary education as well as vocational training.
- MCF Yatta Rehabilitation Centre is home to 219 young girls and child mothers aged between 14 - 21 years as well as their mothers. Here, they receive food, accommodation, clothing, medical care

years, as well as their young babies. Here, they receive food, accommodation, clothing, medical care, education, spiritual nourishment, vocational training and parental love.

- MCF Eldoret is home to 49 young children who are infected or affected by the HIV/ AIDS scourge. Here we also have kindergarten and lower primary schools.

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGES

- MCF beneficiaries enrolled in Universities/ Colleges - 34
- MCF beneficiaries waiting to be enrolled in Universities/ Colleges - 15
- Young adults supported in Education while living with their families - 6
- Teachers and co-workers in 5 departments - 55
- Volunteers from Kenya - 30
- Volunteers from Europe, Canada, USA, Australia average per month - 5

THE CHALLENGES

1. Lack of adequate water and sanitation
2. Inadequate accommodation hence lack of dormitories and beddings
3. Lack of septic tanks and proper drainage especially in MCF Ndalani
4. Vehicles repair funds for the damaged cars
5. Mobile clinic truck for medical services and cinema show on HIV / AIDS education to the people in the community
6. Food in form of rice, maize, beans, flour, cooking fat, etc
7. Educational materials - Stationery

Please pray for Ndondo and 3 MCF beneficiaries who are currently traveling around Canada together with Arvid & Ruth Lowen and Paul Boge, jointly creating awareness about MCF. We will give you more details of their journey right from BC Vancouver to Halifax later.

Brethren, I believe that the one who has begun a good work in us will bring it to a good accomplishment.

We thank you and thank you very much indeed for your tireless efforts and dedication in supporting MCF operations in the past years. Your faithfulness to God and commitment in giving has really helped many desperate children, through

our Ministry in Kenya, to have hope in life. What a tremendous life achievement!! May God bless you more abundantly.

Yours sincerely,

Ev. Charles & Esther Mully.