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From the Editor

Happy New Year!! 2013 Recap



Missionaries from Chetek, WI

We are always grateful and awed by the graces and miracles of God every morning. Psalm 30:4-5 says, "Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name. For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for life; weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning." We have lived this verse, enduring longer nights sometimes, but always lay our hope in the fact that He does come, and the morning does bring laughter.

January - We started the year with the shock of having 1 teacher and the cook report to work on the first day of school. It was nerve wrecking for a while but the Lord provided

teachers by the second week of school.

March - March brought us much joy as we received a mission team from Chetek Wisconsin.

June - We finally had our school name officially registered. Unfortunately we could not register for Hope Mission Centre so we chose Anchored Hope, which is quite appropriate for the work the Lord has called us to in serving the women and children. Everyday we are faced with deep and difficult challenges and without Jesus, our anchor, we would not have the grace or peace to stay focused. We would be tossed like a ship on a wavy storm having no root or foundation. Hebrews 6:19 says, "This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil."

December - As always, December is a joyous and sad month as we get to see our senior third grade class graduate but we also get to say goodbye to them. After watching them come into the centre in inhumane conditions and see them leave wearing beautiful gowns, it is an emotion I cannot express. It is truly God making beauty from ashes.

2014 Goals

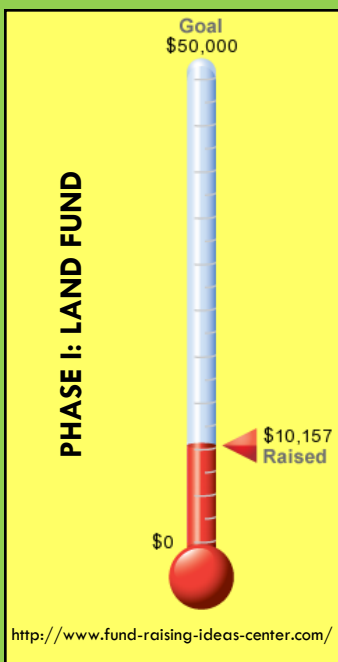
Land - Reach the targeted \$50,000 for purchasing land in Kenya.

R&D - We are currently running two research and design MeetUps: one at Cornerstone church every last Sunday of the month and one at Backcountry Pizza every last Friday of the month. The purpose of the MeetUps is to design sustainable developments that will be implemented once the land is purchased.

1st Christmas/ bonus party - This year we hope to host a Christmas party for Anchored Hope teachers, students, staff, and parents as well as have bonus packages for teachers who give of themselves to serve at the school at miniscule wages.



Field trip to Nairobi Animal Orphanage



Anchored Hope Updates

Eight years have passed and through it all, we have seen the hand of God at work and we have a testimony that He is our Lord and Saviour; He is our Shepherd; He is a present help in time of need and He is the anchor of our hope!

We send special gratitude to everyone who has stood with us by way of prayer, visiting us, writing us, giving your money, food and clothing, by encouraging us, and any other way. Our prayer is that God will bless you abundantly! Thank you!

Our end-year graduation took place on Tuesday the 26th of November 2013. 11 students graduated from pre-school, ready to join Primary One, next year. This year's graduation was crowned by the attendance of two former HMC parents who came to give testimonies of what God has done in their lives and that of their children. Parents, teachers and even the pupils (young as they are) were encouraged to see and hear what God has done in the lives of these two families. One parent was, Mr Eugene Mogaka whose daughter Glory Nyagogwa we admitted in 2010 when she was 8 and had not attended school before, so we had to take her through a marathon class. She then was sponsored into a private school and today she is in class IV going to class V next year. The dad was elated! Another parent, Jacinta Njeri, the mother of Kelvin Kanya said that she had just come to thank the staff of AHS for the good foundation they gave her son, who is performing very well in his current school. She later led in prayer thanking God for the work that was going on at AHS and asked God to bless all those who had made it possible for AHS to be what it is today!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
GOD BLESS!

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ANCHORED HOPE SCHOOLS

2014 Budget

2014 Proposed Monthly Budget

Food	\$500.00
Stationary	\$200.00
Rent	\$125.00
Wages:	
Head teacher	\$81.25
Teachers (4) @	\$68.75
Coordinator	\$75.00
Cook/Cleaner	\$50.00
Utilities	\$150.00
Total Monthly Budget	\$1,250.00

NB: The budget does not include school uniforms, school trips, extra-curricular, or graduation expenses.

Sponsors Requested

We have had difficulty meeting the budget due to fluctuations in donations. We are requesting 50 monthly donors who would commit to donating \$20 per month to keep a consistent flow of support. You can set up recurring donation via secure PayPal on our website or contact us and we can help you with the setup. Thanks you for your support.



Happy to be away from school

Prayer Requests

Last year we started with three prayer items at the centre:

1. God to provide for us our own premises where can establish self-sustaining activities.
2. God to lift us to a position where we can pay our teachers at least \$100 per month consistently to arrest the high turnover.
3. God to help us realize our vision of opening other Hope Centres in other needy countries.

The Lord has not fulfilled any of these prayer items yet, but, as we say in Swahili, kwa majaliwa ya Mwenyezi Mungu (in the destiny of our Lord God). We rest in His plan because He makes ALL things beautiful in His time.



Graduation 2013

Special Thanks

Special thanks to:

- ◆ The Refuge International Church
- ◆ The Refuge VBS
- ◆ Lake Street United Methodist Church
- ◆ Calvary Chapel Sonora
- ◆ Cornerstone Church Boulder