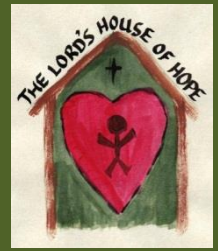


# The Lord's House of Hope

*"Now glory be to God! By His mighty power at work within us, He is able to accomplish infinitely more than we would ever dare to ask or hope."* - Ephesians 3:20

October 2013



## Placemats arrive!

Last month the sponsors created placemats for the children to help make the family connections even stronger. Now the children see the sponsoring family at every meal!



## Want to visit or volunteer?

Are you interested in traveling to the orphanage for a visit or to volunteer in the coming year? Are you wondering what it takes to prepare for a trip to a developing country? Are you curious how much it might cost you?

We are holding an informational meeting on Monday, October 21, 5:00pm. Please contact Judy Rottier at [judyrottier@gmail.com](mailto:judyrottier@gmail.com) if you'd like to attend or to get more details.

Our Guest Manual is attached to this email, which offers quite a bit of information.



*Love the placemats; they make dinner a little more fun!*

*TLHOH Mission: to provide a home where orphaned children feel safe and loved. Through spirit focused care, are given hope and are nurtured to love others.*

### *How would you ensure the health and safety of 40 orphans?*

One place you may turn to first is hand washing. Illness cases have been on the rise at the orphanage, as may be expected with so many children living under one roof. To counteract the spread of illness, hand washing has become a priority. The staff realized that the children needed a bit of instruction on proper hand washing. Some of the children have commented that they enjoy washing their hands before meals. This will go a long way in ensuring that the children stay healthy. Do you always ensure your children, in your home wash their hands before meals?

One step that has been taken to ensure safety is having Nevaeh and Cyrus patrol the ground during the overnight hours.



### *It takes a village to ensure safety!*

Last month, men came to install fire extinguishers on the premises and held a talk with the staffs about how to use them.

Staff learned about different types of fire and different types of firefighting equipment; for example an electrical requires a co2 extinguisher rather than an H2O one. Now would be a good time to check the expiration date on any fire extinguishers you may have in your home, as well as change the batteries in your smoke alarms.

The staff were also taught about the use of fire blankets and how to handle and operate the fire extinguishers. The staff will now test the fire safety equipment on a monthly basis.



Recently the children were taught about the fire blanket as well as the fire extinguisher. This is some terrific life skills...to understand fire safety!



### *SAVE THE DATE 2014 TLHOH Golf Outing*

*Thornberry Creek, Oneida  
Sunday August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014*





### ***The Results Are In!***

The children completed their first continuous assessment test this term. They have been revising and we are expecting good grades from them... And they didn't let us down! All the children have shown improvement in one or more areas! We have the staff and the teachers to thank for their dedication to supporting each child's growth. But most importantly, we need to recognize each child who put forth the effort to learn something new, to not give up when the learning got difficult, and to help each other when the going got tough.

*A note from Fridah: "We took time to appreciate the kids who have performed well in different sectors of their life. We have children who have increased in marks, who are improving discipline wise and the creative ones who are working in line with their talents".*

Although I don't like to single out any one child, because each of them has grown in their own way, I feel it's appropriate to share this image of Joseph. He has shown a lot of creativity in the past, and here's just another example of how unique his creations can be. His latest piece is a pair of spectacles made from metal rod.



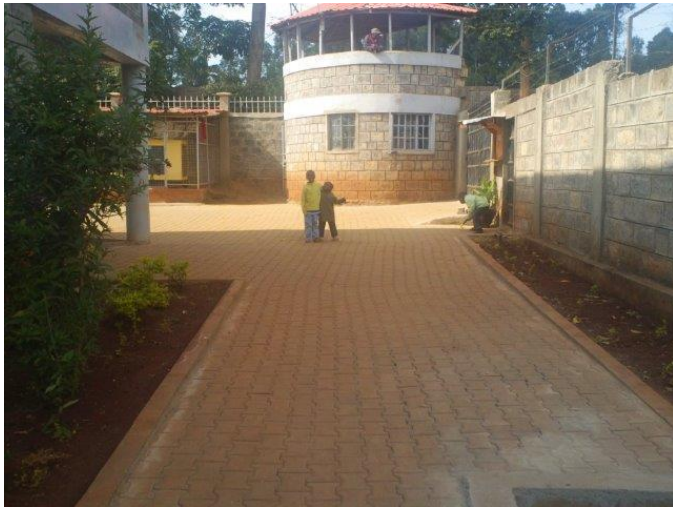
### ***Are You Familiar with Peer Pressure?***

Being a parent of 2 boys, I know first-hand that peer pressure can become overwhelming for many children. Teens and younger are at an age where it is important to be accepted by their peers ~ we all remember the desire to wear the right clothes or to do the 'cool' thing because our friends were all doing it.

These issues abound around the world, because all children go through that phase of needing to be accepted. Friday has taken time to expounding on the topic. All children actively participated in the discussion about peer pressure and it was a successful session. They are beginning to understand that peer pressure can make someone do things they don't want to. "We should understand that as much as we may do things as a group, at the end we face the consequences alone", {this was the message Fridah shared}. The conversation continued with the importance of keeping the right company so that we positively influence each other.



## From mud to magnificent!



*Day to Day happenings to ensure safety and keep the orphanage running smoothly...*

Due to local conditions, children must get dewormed. Thanks to the efforts of the staff, they were able to get the medicine free of charge, so every child will be dewormed at no cost.

Mom Fridah has spent countless hours fixing all the loose buttons in the children's uniforms. When was the last time you sewed a button on your child's clothing? Now imagine doing it for 40 children!

All the smaller children are in need of socks, so Badi will be purchasing them.

Mom Fridah and Badi have been working diligently to get the right mosquito nets for the beds that will last.

Geoffrey, the maintenance person, has ensured that all bathrooms were repaired so the children can now enjoy warm baths without having to wait for each other.

Finally, the girls are maturing really fast hence, the need to prepare them for how to deal with their emotions and body changes.

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<https://www.dropbox.com/s/tfpslcl8iwO36tn/Lord%20s%20House%20of%20Hope%20-%201080p.mov>

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