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Meeting Children's Educational Needs in COVID Times



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Our tradition is to give gifts on special occasions to let others know we love them and that we are thinking about them. Many times the gift is not needed, but simply a sign of our love. Why not give a gift in the name of your loved one or friend. What better way to express your love than to help save a child in Africa!!

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Education is Our Number One Goal

Sponsor a Student Today!

JHH is sponsoring over 225 Students!

Here is what only \$500 per year provides:

- ◆ A full year of High School Education
- ◆ Educational Supplies
- ◆ A life with hope!

Don't Delay! Send a check today and give Africa a bright future!



Rosemary Njeri has been a JHH scholar since 2019. She is the daughter of a single mom and three siblings. Rosemary is studying to be a doctor.



Gladys Wakiria comes from a humble farming family. She comes from Timau, Kenya, very close to Mt. Kenya in the colder regions. Her dream is to become a pediatrician. JHH's scholarship will help her on the path to that dream.



JHH Scholarship Students from Malava, Kenya

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Kisumu Textbook Project

Joining Hearts and Hands, Ltd. has a long partnership with St. Mary Magdalene School and Orphanage. This school is located in the impoverished rural outskirts of Kisumu, Kenya. They had a dire need for new student textbooks, workbooks and highly valued teacher manuals. There are about 260 orphaned students and poor neighborhood children attending this school.

This October, 2021 - Textbooks, workbooks and teacher manuals were provided for grades 1-5 in the following subject areas: Math, English, Kiswahili, home science, hygiene and arts, environment, creative arts, physical education and music.

Joining Hearts and Hands has worked alongside with this wonderful community for over 7 years. It all started with visiting classrooms, meeting with the extended school community and building relationships.

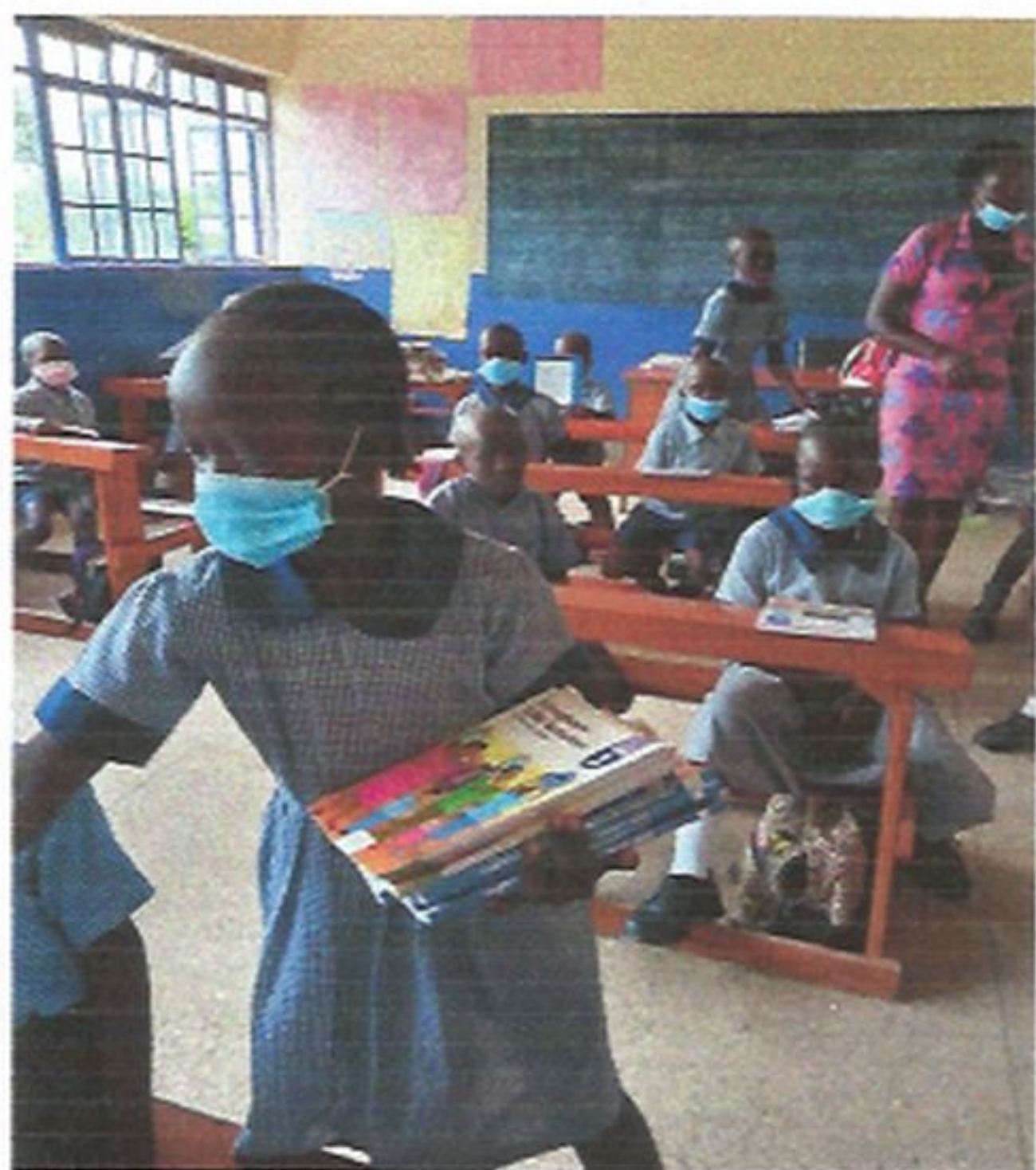


Over time we provided children's clothing and books but saw the sad condition of the temporary classrooms made of sheet metal.

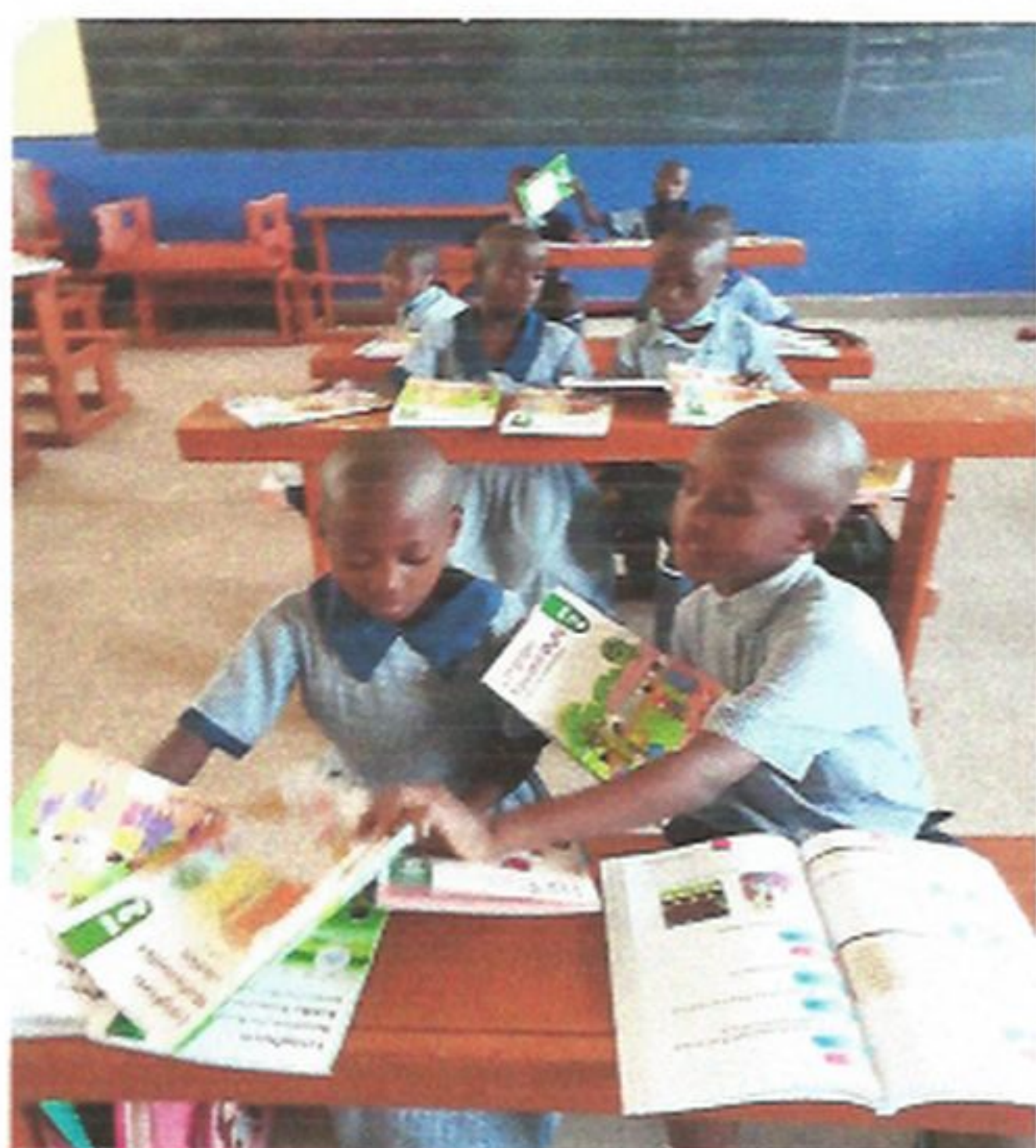
Then about 5 years ago we received a call from the Scott and Susan Miller Family, and they helped us build a beautiful two-story school which provides a beacon for the whole community. With your financial support, we equipped the new school house with student and teacher desks, cupboards and lockers. When we engage a community we try to pay attention to the needs that may become obstacles to learning. This has no age limit.

While meeting the older members of the neighborhood we noticed how some couldn't see very well and invited them to be tested during our eye clinics. In the recent past we have provided cataract and other related surgeries not only for the elderly but for the children at Oasis of Peace. This attention to sight has enabled kids and adults alike to be able to expand their horizons by being able to see and thus read and learn.

Kisumu Textbook Project



Children at Oasis of Peace taking charge!



Do you see what I see? Sharing at it's best!



The children are so excited to have all new textbooks!

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Water is Life

Over ten years ago Joining Hearts and Hands began building classrooms for the new Usambara Girls High School in Korogwe, Tanzania. The location of the school is on the arid side of the Usambara mountains. The weather is brutally hot and often a lack of water becomes a serious issue. Last fall we received an urgent message from the school officials that they were running out of water. An environmental study was done and it was discovered that 100 meters below ground is a permanent underground river. Drilling a bore hole into this river would be a permanent solution to their water problem. Joining Hearts and Hands came to the rescue. Earlier this year we contracted with ERF Water and Power of Dar Es Salaam to do the well drilling. The end result has been nothing short of miraculous. As you can see from the center photo, when they hit water it was like striking gold!



The Drilling Begins

The well is 130 meters deep and produces 11,314 liters (approximately 3,000 gallons) of water per hour.

Hundreds of students and staff now benefit from this permanent solution. But that's not all! The well is situated so that the nearby village residents are able to access clean, clear water as well. Joining Hearts and Hands is constantly working with schools to not only meet the educational needs of the students, but we are very concerned about the well-being of the communities where the schools reside. The partnership between school and community is something that we cherish and feel is critical to success.



Plenty of Water now for Wash Day!

Joining Hearts and Hands Well-Drilling Korogwe, Tanzania

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Hitting the prize! Water comes gushing as the well is reached.



Villagers Using the New Well for Their Crops



Usambara Girls at the Sink Washing Dishes



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Clinton Odhiambo is a JHH Scholarship Student from Homa Bay, Kenya

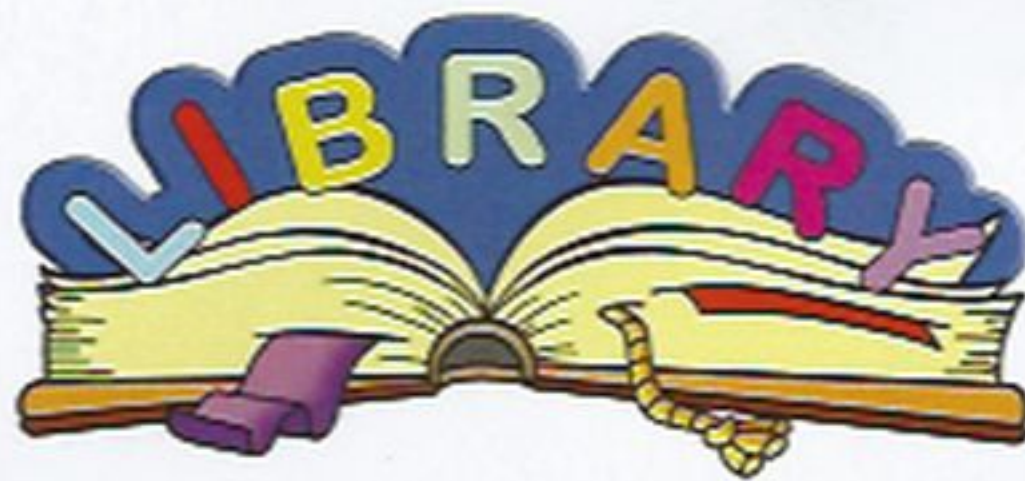
SO MANY WAYS TO HELP!

Tired of buying gifts that no one needs or wants for the holidays?? Why not consider a family donation? It's a great way to share your love with children in Africa who have so little.



A recent fire destroyed a dorm at Oasis of Peace. Help us rebuild it for them.

Help Us Build a New Library at Usambara Girls High School



- ◆ Talk to your employers. Since we are a 501 (c) 3 non-profit many companies will provide matching funds.
- ◆ Allocate your Qualified Charitable distribution tax-free to Joining Hearts and Hands



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