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SPORTS COMPETITIONS, MUSIC FESTIVALS, AND THE DAY OF THE **AFRICAN CHILD... Taarab Dance Choir Proceeds to Regionals!**



A busy school term at the Farm! The students participated in the Day of the African Child events, and 2 competitive activities - the Music Festival and **Sports Competitions.**

We started in the sub-county level for the Music Festival, presenting 15 items. The competition was stiff ~ there were around 100 presentations! The Challenge Farm kids scored Position 1 in the Taarab dance, Singing Game, poem recitals in English and Kiswahili (for upper primary) and in English for ECD students (thru age 5)! We took Position 2 in the Sacred and Scottish dances, and the poem recitals for upper primary and middle school. The students were able to advance to the county level! The Taraab Dance Choir took Position 2, and advanced to the regionals to score Position 3!



to the Regionals!





Position 3 in the County level



Singing Game Group scored County level Position 6!

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM EMERGES AS THE BEST TEAM IN THE ZONAL LEVEL!





Students also participated in soccer and volleyball competitions at the sub-zonal level. The girls' volleyball team advanced to Zonal level, taking 1st place!

Congratulations!

CLASS TRIPS!



left: Grades 4 and 5 class trip to Eldoret

right: Grades 2 and 3 class trip to Ndura Park in Kitale





STEPS OF HOPE



"I ran out of fear of getting a beating from my dad because I spilled milk. The Kitale streets became my home. There I met my sister who also ran away. We both begged to survive...

One night a man passed by where I was begging. He was in a rush and his pocket caught by a piece of metal on the wall. It tore and his money scattered. The money was a lot, but he didn't realize it fell. I picked a bit of it and other people did too. I needed custody of my loot; so, I remembered a guy nicknamed "uncle". I went to his shop and asked him to keep for me the money. He did and didn't ask any questions. I shared my story with a friend and promised to give some. Before we slept, the man came around with police officers asking if we'd seen someone pick money. We all said no, but my friend pointed me out. I found myself at the children's police cell. Next day I went to the shop guy with the police...the cash was found. I don't know what happened to him after.

I was taken to the children's cell where other children were too. My sister went to the police station to know what happened; she was arrested too. After a few days, 8 of our names were called out. The police officer asked how many of us want to go to school. 4 of us were ready. We were handed over to Challenge Farm who came to pick up children from the Children's Department.

I thank God for Challenge Farm because they came to our rescue. We now attend school. I joined grade 3 last year and now I'm in grade 4. I can read and write. I like reading storybooks and leading songs at the Chapel."

- A Challenge Farm child

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WHAT'S NEW AROUND OUR VILLAGE?



Nicholas having fun with the kids!



Outreach to Vamia Village in Birunda



New storybooks for our library!



We harvested loguats. The kids love them!



2 new calves at the Farm ~ BenWalter and Caleb!

LOVING AND REHABILITATING THE ABANDONED, ORPHANED, ABUSED, AND STREET CHILDREN OF KENYA.





