



From an Addiction to Glue to an Addiction to Jesus

Dear Nekesa (Harvester),

Growing up on the streets, fighting for a piece of bread, or a place to lay his head at night... Anton became addicted to glue so he could get lost in a high that would numb his senses - a numbness to not care whether or not he was cold at night or in pain from a fight he was in that day. This is the life of so many boys that grow up on the streets of the towns of Kenya, including Bungoma.

These boys are living on the streets for various reasons. These reasons vary from running away from an abusive home, having lost both parents, or being kicked from their homes because the parents cannot afford to raise any more children. These boys grow up in a gang lifestyle struggling for their next meal and their next numbing high. There is no government program to assist these boys and the government does not assist any organization that helps them.

In my trip to Kenya I had the privilege to join Justus when he and his team went out to minister to the street boys. Justus has worked with a local restaurant to close their doors to paying customers for a few hours, 3 times a week, and provide food for just the street boys. Through the support of Bungoma Bible Ministries food is provided 3 times a week to over 50 street boys. Justus also takes time to share with the boys the love of our Lord Jesus Christ through word and deed. He shares with them about God's desire for them to be free from the street life and have a home and a future.

Justus has families in his church that desire to be foster parents for these boys that choose to leave this lifestyle. Through your support, Bungoma Bible Ministries can provide clothing, food, education, and a foster home to these children. For them to live with a foster family and receive an education they are required to give up sniffing glue.



Street kids gathering to hear Pastor Justus



A few of the street boys eating the food provided them.

Jim Hamilton sharing about Jesus with one of the street boys.



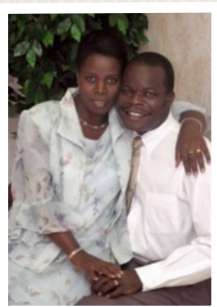


However, this strong addiction to glue has kept these children trapped in the street life.

But not all are trapped, some ask God for help...

Anton is an example of one such boy. Anton cried out to God on a cold night, "God take me out of this life!" Before Anton even prayed, Mama Doris and Justus Ochuro had planned to go that very next morning to feed the street kids and share God's love with them. Our Lord Jesus Christ hears our cry before it even leaves our lips! Mama Doris started this ministry so long ago!

That day Anton went from an addiction to glue to an addiction to our Lord Jesus Christ. He was set in a foster home, completed his education through high school and went to trade school for carpentry - finishing 1st in his class. Anton also married and has two beautiful daughters. It is his desire that his daughters grow up to be doctors. Pastors Justus and Margaret Ochuro continue this ministry that Mama Doris began.



Justus and Margaret

Anton is only one of many stories. This is how your seed is growing fruit. You are changing lives across the world, truly helping the poor become whole in Jesus. You ARE Bungoma Bible Ministries!

Thank you for your prayers and financial partnership. Share the vision of this ministry and what you are doing across the world with your friends and family.

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Mama Doris with the street



Anton with his 2 girls,
Edna and Faith



Rebecca, Anton, Jim, and Justus



(Left) Rebecca
Hamilton (middle)
Jim Hamilton, and
(right) Tanner
Garvin of Ruby
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