

## Loving God and Always being Grateful

Dear Nekesa (Harvester),

Anthony was an orphan living on the streets of Bungoma at 6 years old. He was forced to fend for his life in street fights, scrounging to find food, and even fell in with the wrong company where he began an addiction to sniffing glue. Anthony felt hopeless. He knew no other way to live life, and never believed there would be another way. Yet, God had a plan to rescue Anthony set in motion many years before...



Rewind back to 1988; a woman named Doris Stotlar

moves to Bungoma Kenya with a word from God to start a ministry to teach the people about God's love through starting a Bible School. Part of the training of these students was to go into the streets to feed the hungry, to cloth the naked, and to share the Love of God in both a practical and spiritual way. Doris had such a great compassion for the children she would find on the street who were left to fend for themselves at such young ages. She began speaking with her partners of this need for a children's home. The Lord provided this home through Partners, like you.



Mama Doris giving food to the children on the street.

It was in the heart of God to rescue Anthony from the streets when He sent Doris to Kenya. It was her "yes" to God that opened the door and it was our Partners "yes" to the vision of the Children's home that provided the way of rescue for Anthony.

Anthony was brought into the children's home. In the home he began to learn about our Lord Jesus' love for him. His plan to rescue Anthony and bring him into a blessed future was just the beginning. Anthony was delivered from his addictions, and was embraced by the family of Bungoma Bible Ministries.



Anthony was able to attend school and learn how to read and write. Over the fourteen years that we have known Anthony, he has grown into a man with the knowledge of God and filled with dreams of the future Jesus has prepared for him.

Anthony is now an active member of the community. He is a carpenter and enjoys building furniture. He hopes to one day have his own shop and showroom for people from the wealthy to the poor. He is married with two daughters, Edna 3 years old and Faith is 20 months old.

When asked where he would see himself in five years, he smiled and said, "Loving God and always being grateful."

This is just one story of many to come. We are ever in Doris' debt for hearing one Word from God and going to Kenya. It was her sacrifice that opened the door for not only Anthony, but all our children to have a hope and a future.

The Bible School Students are continuing to carry on this work started by Doris. They continue to share the same love of God they are experiencing and learning from the school with the children in the home and in the communities.



Anthony with his daughters -Edna 3 years and Faith 20 months



Mama Doris with Justus

We are so thankful to you, our Partners, for your continued support. You make this possible. Without your support and the vision and hard work of Doris to begin this ministry, Anthony would have never learned of the Future that God has for him; he might not even be alive today if he had not been rescued from the streets.

Being that this month is a time where we are to be thankful for those in our lives, for the blessings of God, we all thank you from the bottom of our hearts for carrying on Thank you for continuing the work that will see more precious

the vision God had given Doris. Thank you for continuing the work that will see more precious lives given a hope for their future.

Forever Grateful,

Justus Ochuro

