

# Joshua International Ministries *"Turning Lives Into Songs"*

Dear Ministries Partners,

It was an amazing 16 days of medicine and ministry in Kenya! An 8-member Joshua International Ministries medical team, including me, worked in conjunction with Tumaini International Ministries to reach out with God's love and healing to the people of Masii and Machakos, Kenya.

Tumaini International Ministries mission is "Building Hope...Bringing Community to AIDS orphans in Kenya". Tumaini is the Kiswahili word for "Hope".

During our 16 day service in Kenya we were blessed to be able to see about 500 local villagers from the Machakos and Masii region of Kenya. This region is about 2 ½ hours southeast of the capital city of Nairobi. This region of Kenya has been stricken not only with HIV/AIDS, but a drought. During our initial 4 day clinic to the community, our Medical and Dental team were able to do the following:



- Treated over 500 local villagers
- Pulled several hundred teeth
- Saved over a hundred teeth via either filling cavities or performing Root Canals
- Diagnose and dispense hundreds of needed Rx for various illnesses
- Screen 15 patients for surgical procedures in Nairobi
- Share God's love and grace through Jesus Christ in song, skits and witness

Due to the rural conditions electricity was intermittent; so much of this work was done via flash lights. Our ability to provide for these 500 patients was truly a gift from God and was not part of our original plan.

The following 2 days we were able to see about 200 Tumaini children during the beginning of a week long VBS program. We distributed de-worming medicine and vitamins and screened and treated the children for a variety of conditions. The highlight of our visit with the children was the hand washing of the feet of each child and the fitting of donated new shoes. In all we delivered over 400 pairs of new shoes. We also delivered special food bag gifts to the 19 children who are sponsored by our 2 medical Joshua International Medical clinics in Cerritos and Buena Park, CA.



We then traveled to Nairobi to work out of a medical/Surgical clinic hosted by Dr. Meshack Onguti and Dr. Muhibar Rahman Khan, of the TIBA Medical Centre. With the help of Tumaini we were able to transport 15 patients who had been screened the prior week for surgery in Nairobi.



These 15 patients were operated on to remove tumors, cleft lips or cataracts. Additionally, 30 other patients were also screened

and treated from the local Nairobi area as well. In all, 45 people received life changing surgery and the message of hope and salvation through Jesus Christ.



During our week long surgical clinic in Nairobi, the Kenyan national news channel KBC did a story on our work and broadcasted a brief story on the Friday morning broadcast to all of Kenya. Praise GOD!

Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless you as he blessed our team during our time in Kenya.

In His service,

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