



Nakuru Baby Orphanage

Action Update

Greetings from Nakuru from Ivan, Mary and family. After being in Australia for three months it is great to be home.

While in Australia we did a lot of traveling, 15,000km in 3 months. This was a new and tiring experience for Martha, but an enjoyable one. Martha would like to extend her greetings to all the new friends she made while in Australia.

We met a lot of people and made a lot of new friends. We were overwhelmed by the response we received from everyone. We take this opportunity to thank everyone for their kind donations, support and prayers and to all those wonderful people who are fundraising sup-

plies for the orphanage.

We also had the privilege of speaking in 2 schools, the Lismore High School and also the Casino Christian School. That was an interesting experience and also a lovely surprise by the interest of the children for this kind of work. We would especially like to thank Kellie McBeth and the Lismore High School students for their efforts in fundraising items for the orphanage.

We are currently planning on shipping a container over in the near future, the cost for this would be about \$10,000. We would greatly appreciate any assistance in financing this project also. Alternatively you may like to organize donations of goods for the orphanage, eg baby items.

For info on how to do this see back page for contact details in Australia.



A New family Member

We are all safely settled in our new rental home, praise God we were able to find one suitable. Mary had a very busy time on her arrival home, not only did she have to find us a new home but she also took on another child. Her

name is Diana, she is 4 years old. Her mother died last year of T.B and she had since been living with her grandparents. However her grandparents were drunkards and like so many of the children here this led to her neglect.

She was always dirty and hungry and covered in sores.

We promised her uncle we would take her in when we returned from Australia, so our family continues to expand..

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We are currently looking for a sponsor for Diana at \$40.00 a month. If you are interested in sponsoring Diana or any other child then you can contact us on the details given in the back page.

While we were in Australia a very generous couple from Brisbane chose to take on the sponsorship of Bonnie, for which we are very grateful. We know they will be very blessed by including Bonnie in their lives.



PURE AND UNDEFINED RELIGION BEFORE GOD AND THE FATHER IS THIS; TO VISIT ORPHANS AND WIDOWS IN THEIR TROUBLE, AND TO KEEP ONESELF UNSPOTTED FROM THE WORLD.
James 1:27 NKJV

Building Update

So far most of you know we have built the foundations for the orphanage itself and since I have returned I have been very busy with organizing all the building material ready to start the building.

This is thanks to all you wonderful people who have donated your money and interest in this project. As you can imagine our need for finances is enormous and constant so all your ongoing financial support is so gratefully re-

ceived. We aim to keep you updated every few months on the building progress. We are desperate to get the orphanage up as quickly as we can .

The need here is urgent if you are unable to donate financially then your prayers are much needed and appreciated. There is much power in prayer.

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God"

Phillipians 4:6



Other projects

Since Ivan has been home our veggie garden has been extended to accommodate more crop, potatoes, tomatoes, carrots, lettuce, spinach, etc.

Also an extra 4 acres has been ploughed to plant maize, peas and beans.

The gardening project is an extremely valuable one as it provides not only employment for the locals, but it will enable us to be more self supportive from the income the larger crops will generate.



We still have many more projects that need to be completed before our orphanage is up and running completely, below is a few of them.

- Furnish orphanage
- Complete Guard House
- Build Staff Quarters
- Complete Timber Fencing around compound (for security)
- Drill water bore to supply orphanage and community
- Bring and Connect power to buildings
- Set up outdoor playground for the children
- Purchase surrounding land for future expansion and crops
- Purchase farming equipment
- Concrete water tank and poly tank for orphanage water supply

We estimate this to cost somewhere in the vicinity of \$400,000, that includes the \$230,000 needed to purchase the surrounding 70 acres. As you can see we are going to be very busy seeking financial support for all of this.

Website

A web site is currently under construction and will be up and running soon.

Tax Deductible Donations

We are seeking to be able to offer tax deductions for donations as well. This is a lengthy process and your patience is appreciated.

The building of the orphanage is finally becoming a reality and again we want to extend our extreme gratitude for the support you have given Mary and I, our family and this project.

We will continue to keep you updated with our progress by these newsletters. We aim to have one about every two-months.

Please share this newsletter with your friends and family.

God Bless ,
Ivan and Mary.



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Keep Watching this space
Web sight coming soon

MISSION STATEMENT

At Mission in Action Nakuru Baby Orphanage, we aim to firstly provide a loving and safe environment where newborn babies and children up to 4 years who then remain to the age of majority (18 years) will be nurtured in a Christian lifestyle that promotes the development of their spiritual, physical, social and emotional growth.

We aim to also provide resources and assistance to members who are in need in the community.

ABOUT US

MIA is registered by the Kenyan Government. As missionaries we plan to provide to the needs to 20 orphan children within the ages of 0 to 4 years, who will then remain as members to the age of majority (18 years).

Currently we are providing foster care to four orphaned children from a rental property in Nakuru, Kenya whilst awaiting the completion our initial building that began in May 2004.

We are liaising with the District Children's Office who provide us with administrative service with our foster children's needs.

Our current staff includes a social worker, secretary, guard, and a gardener.

Australian Contact

Ashley and Deina Bailey are the contacts for our Australian Office.

The Australian office is responsible for:

- distribution of the newsletter
- Website development
- General enquiries etc
- Public relations

To contact our Australian Office please see details above.