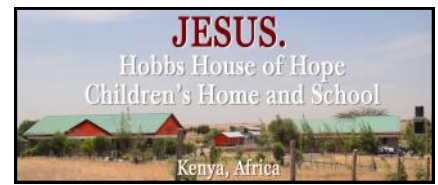




ALAMO CITY MERCY FOUNDATION MAY 2014



GOD IS DOING A 'GREAT THING' AT THE JESUS. HOBBS SCHOOL

"Now then, stand still and see this great thing the Lord is about to do before your eyes!" 1 Sam. 12:16

As Kristi Hobbs shared in her July 2013 'personal word,' she periodically becomes overwhelmed by the magnitude of what God is doing, particularly in Africa, specifically in regards to the Hobbs House of Hope. She described how while in Africa, doubts began to set in as she questioned God about provision for the construction. In the midst of her lack of faith, while sitting on the roof of the recently constructed classrooms 1-4, overlooking the foundation slab of what would hopefully become classes 5 & 6, GOD SPOKE giving the above promise from 1 Samuel 12:16, paraphrased, 'don't do anything, just watch me work.' With great joy we announce that He has indeed done a great thing! Not only are classes 5 & 6 paid for and nearing completion, but now on top of them a library and computer lab are being constructed. The pictures below show the completed classes 1-4, classes 5 & 6 nearing completion and the beginning stages of the library and computer lab on the 2nd floor. God is doing GREAT THINGS before our eyes, and we give HIM all the Glory!



LIBRARY AND COMPUTER LAB FUNDS PROVIDED AND COST NEEDED TO COMPLETE

(\$45,007 OUT OF \$60,022 ALREADY GIVEN)

R.C. Superstructure: \$17,134 PAID IN FULL!
(Columns, beams, steel, suspended slab)

Walling: \$4,272 PAID IN FULL!

Windows: \$3,773 PAID IN FULL!

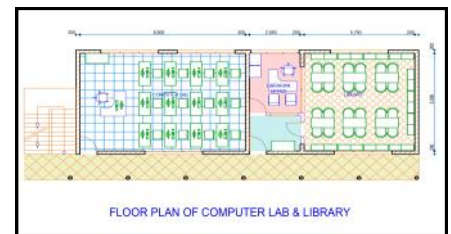
Doors: \$3,314 PAID IN FULL!

Electrical Works: \$6,765 PAID IN FULL!

Preliminaries, Fees & Labor: \$9,752 PAID IN FULL!

BALANCE NEEDED: \$15,015

Floors and Finishes — TOTAL: \$15,015
(Terrazo tile floors, plastering of walls and ceilings)



ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS OF THE JHHH LIBRARY AND COMPUTER LAB



God has used you greatly in providing for us, and we are very thankful. If you would like to help complete this phase, please designate your tax-deductible contribution 'construction.' Thank you for giving unto least of these.

'BOOKS ARE THE BEGINNING' MINISTRY TO PARTNER WITH JHHH



Books are the Beginning (www.booksarethebeginning.org) is a ministry that provides books, supplies and professional teacher training to schools in impoverished areas of the world. Mike and Mary Thrasher are the founders and their goal is to provide children everywhere with all the resources necessary for a proper education.



JHHH had planned to build a library but not anytime soon, UNTIL Alan and Bonita Fyke, a mutual friend of Kristi Hobbs and the Thrashers, introduced them back in August. Upon meeting, they realized that another mutual friend, Darlene Maroney, had been trying to connect them for several years. Mike and Mary shared they had just finished stocking libraries in two schools in Uganda but had never done anything in Kenya. Then Mary, wide-eyed, asked Kristi, "Do you need a library?" Kristi went to the Mercy Foundation Board with this idea of building a library at JHHH--NOW! The Board approved it and so the fundraising began, not only for a library, but looking toward the future, a computer lab. These will be the first library and computer lab in this region of Kenya.




The Thrashers, Fykes and Kristi just returned from a trip to JHHH to take care of logistics in preparation for sending a 40ft container filled with the books and supplies in early 2015. In addition to the team doing crafts, skits and playing with the kids, Mary taught them 'introduction to computers' in one of our new classrooms! Between our team we had eight personal laptops so three children surrounded each laptop and excitedly followed Mary's instructions on the basics of how to use a computer. A few of the children had some knowledge of computers but the majority had never typed on one. Please pray for this vision of a fully stocked library to become reality, and for the provision of computers once our computer lab is constructed. A big need, but we trust God to meet it.



Personal word from Kristi Hobbs ... Our Vision for the JHHH Children's Future

People often ask me, 1.) how I choose which children to bring into the House of Hope, and 2.) if our children are adoptable. The answer to number one is, thankfully, I don't have to make the decision as to which children to rescue. Peter and Jemimah Njao, our discerning JHHH Kenyan Directors have that job, and they put much time and prayer into making that decision. God literally leads them to the ones whom He has chosen to be reared at the JESUS. Hobbs House of Hope. For that reason the answer to number two is no. As much as I would love to bring every one of them 'home', these kids are being raised at JHHH to be the next leaders of Africa... the next teachers, doctors, pastors, even presidents. The Njao's vision is that these children will grow up and make a difference in their nation of Kenya, and we fully believe they will. A key to fulfilling this vision is education, which is why we put so much effort into providing, as our motto states, "Quality Education for Quality Life." (See brochure the Njao's designed for JHHH on right.)

 <p>JESUS. Hobbs House of Hope Children's Home and School</p> <p>Kenya, Africa</p> <p>VISION: To improve the caring capacity of orphans</p> <p>MISSION STATEMENT It is not the will of the Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish ... Matt. 18:14</p> <p>PURPOSE: The purpose is to strengthen JESUS. Hobbs House of Hope Orphanage atmosphere of belonging, love, care and education.</p> <p><i>Helping the least, the last and the lost at any cost.</i></p>	<p>JESUS. HOBBS HOUSE OF HOPE ORPHANAGE SCHOOL AND REHABILITATION CENTER</p> <p>BENEFICIARIES Any child between the age of 3 - 15 years, from a poor destitute family.</p> <p>OBJECTIVES: Our main goal is to do Holistic Ministry of the children</p> <p>Physically - By Giving them food, clothing and shelter.</p> <p>Emotionally - By giving them love, a hearing ear for their cry, hope for the future and a shoulder to cry on in time of distress.</p> <p>Spiritually - By teaching them how to pray, read the word of God and the need of dependence on His provision.</p> <p>Academically - By teaching them skills to read & write through accepted programmes of Education in Schools, Colleges and Universities.</p> <p>Morally - By giving them guidelines of acceptable behaviour and building integrity and character in them.</p> <p>Employment - By assisting them through skills development, through admitting them into Technical Training for them to become more self-reliance.</p>
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