

Annual Report 2018: St. Jude Mikinduri Site; Kenya, East Africa

1. Education

Accomplishments

- We have achieved considerable improvement in the education of our children. The number of students who are in university increased from 1 to 5 in this year, 19 are in polytechnic, 1 in college.
- We have increased the number of public schools under feeding programme from 1 to 3. This has improved the performance and increased the enrolment of the children in public schools.
- With funding from Chalice we organized a prize giving Day for the best performing pupils/students to help in motivating them in their studies and also impact the others to improve.
- School update list shows all our sponsored school going children are in school and they recorded a regular school attendance
- The school feeding programme is now running in 3 more schools. We have constructed a kitchen in each school and a modern energy saving stove installed in each kitchen. This has provided a clean and safe environment for cooking.
- Kitchen gardens were started for the feeding programme. To ensure vegetables are available throughout the year, we put up vegetable drying beds to dry vegetables in the rains for use in the dry period.

Goals

- i) Increase school performance of our children in school so as to have a higher number of students joining higher education.
- ii) Implement school feeding programme in all the public schools around so as to reduce the rate of school drop outs and improve on children performance.



Pic 1: Pupils being awarded during prize giving day



Pic 2: Motivation speaker talking to the sponsored children and parents during prize giving day



Pic 3:Pupils taking meals at Mikinduri primary school



Pic 5: Miurine primary school kitchen



Pic 6: Energy saving jiko at Miurine primary school



Pic 7: Vegetables being dried at vegetable drying beds

2. NUTRITION

Accomplishments

- Through the Chalice Children funds we have been able to accomplish the following:
 - i) Parents have gained more knowledge on healthy feeding and on balanced diet.
 - ii) They have improved on dietary diversification on different food groups.
 - iii) Are aware on the lifestyle diseases and how to control the diseases by use of proper diet.
 - iv) Reduced cases of moderately malnourished children through nutrition sensitization and education on proper and healthy diet.
 - v) Food supply to the schools to supplement what the parents contributes for the school feeding programme.
 - vi) The kitchen gardens for families and school provide variety of vegetables to the families and children
 - vii) Educating and counselling families on proper diet for HIV positive people and those with lifestyle conditions such as diabetes mellitus, hypertension

- viii) During Saturday programme the children are counselled on Physco social problems, education on drug abuse and adolescent education.
- ix) Nutrition assessment to the school pupils on taking weight and height to determine nutrition status.

Goals:

- i) Reduced malnutrition cases in young children and those who are HIV positive.
- ii) Eradicate common illnesses suffered by children
- iii) Increased number of families enjoying good health
- iv) Increased awareness on healthy feeding and balanced meals.



Pic 8: During Saturday programme children being trained

3. Health and Hygiene

Accomplishments

- Educating parents and children on proper hygiene and importance of hand washing and proper sanitation.
- Sanitary towel distribution to the sponsored children.
- By use of DFF funds we have assisted the families construct a pit latrine and make a simple hand washing technique to enhance hygiene.
- In collaboration with the ministry of Health through the nearest health facility we are able to give sponsored children food supplements for the moderately and severely malnourished children and provision of dewormers and vitamin A supplements.

Goals

- i) Eradicate malnutrition and hygiene related diseases in our families and the community around.
- ii) Make sure that the families have access to clean drinking water in their homes and good sanitation.



Pic 10: Giving dewormers to the sponsored children

4. Community

Accomplishments

- We partnered with the county government to have counselling for both the sponsored children and their guardians.
- Education and counselling to the parents/guardians on parenting, drug and substance abuse and stress management
- Through the e-roots programme we have educated our parents on modern and simple farming methods. This has improved the food security for our families and the community around.

Goal:

- i. Improve the food security through modern and simple farming. E.g. Farming God's way.
- ii. Improve the environment through planting of trees to achieve higher trees cover.
- iii. Improved societal cohesion with families living together in peace and harmony through sharing the love of Christ with our neighbours and the less privileged.



Education counselling to the parents

5. Direct Family Funding and Faith Circle

Accomplishments:

- Through the DFF funds the sponsored parents have been able to educate their children, start small businesses and also access better medical care.
- Through the micro finance programme our sponsored families have adopted a saving culture. Through their faith circle groups they save small amounts of money once every month and borrow small credits to improve their homes, start small enterprises or grow the existing ones.
- Special money received under DFF has improved the livelihood of our sponsored families. They are able to rare livestock & poultry to improve on their diet and selling the surplus to earn extra income.
- The parents have been more involved in the education and well being of their children because they have now become good money managers and also are earning some extra income to supplement what they receive through DFF.

Goals

- i) Achieve 95% of parents' participation through saving and borrowing credits through their faith circle groups.
- ii) Transform the Faith Circle groups of our sponsored parents to a Community bank that would provide more financial products for the families.