

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



VEE **Village Economic Empowerment**

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Creating Independent and sustainable societies

OUR AIM

2022 as a recovery year, we have picked up where we left last year. Our main aim is to continuously empower communities through our pillars. Here are some of our objectives this year.

1. To ensure quality education for the communities that we support.
2. Ensuring access to healthcare for our sponsor families through supporting families through the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF).
3. Addressing food insecurity within communities by offering sustainable food production solutions.
4. Promoting economic stability within households/families through their small self-help groups.
5. Ensuring that we enhance financial management among our members; through the introduction of Savings for Transformation.
6. Hold train the trainer sessions in our communities.

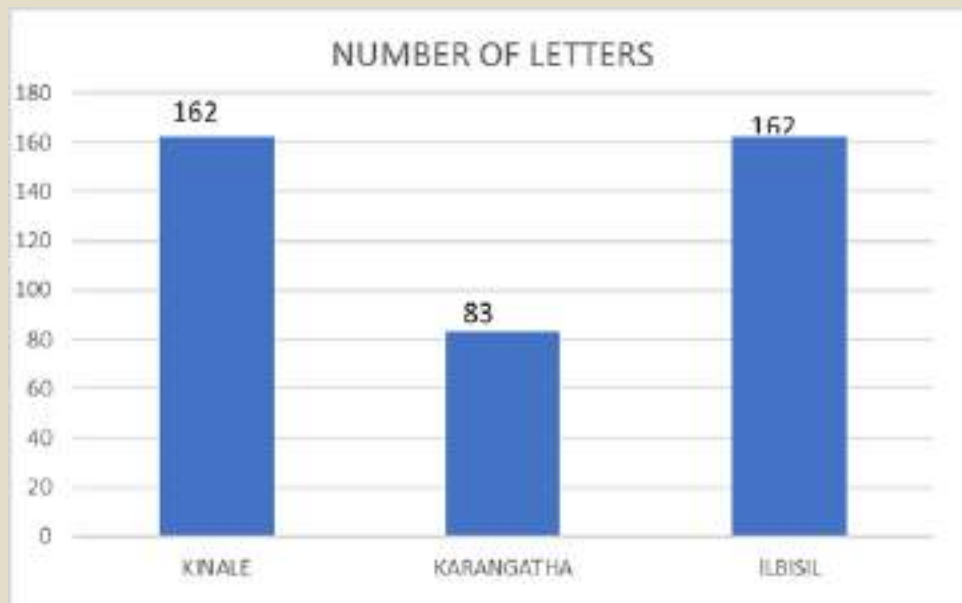


CHILD SPONSORSHIP

Sponsor Update

The start of our year was busy with the sponsor update one which is the Sponsor Letters. We had already done the letter-writing activity in December and this year was more of compiling and updating them on Google Drive.

There were a few missing letters that we were able to collect at the start of the year. At the end of the update, we were able to collect the letters as follows.



Graphical Representation of Letters

We collected a total of 407 letters.

Kinale=162

Ilbisil=162

Karangatha=83

The update was successful. We incorporated a child-engaging activity where we gave our children in all of our program areas coloring papers.

This helped us connect with the children and keep them entertained during the activity.

New Children

With the request for new children for International Sponsorships specifically from Osiligi School. We conducted a visit in January this year to add more children to the program. Our criteria were to add those in the school as well as those with siblings who are already in the program.

We were able to add a total of thirteen children so far.



Sankare Lemperua, one of our new sponsor children

EDUCATION SUPPORT

P146-14870 Sikorei Nemaiyai Legis

We visited Ilmarba Primary School on 15th June 2022 was a blessing. As expressed by the teachers; they were having a conversation the previous day about how they would acquire a globe. These gifts will aid the whole school during social studies classes. They were very grateful for the visit and kind donation.



The visit to Ilmarba Primary School

P146-14288 Josephine Wangari

We are super proud of Josephine Wangari. Josephine Wangari did her Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education and scored very well. She is set to join the Technical University of Mombasa to study a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting & Finance.



Josephine Wangari

P146-14798 Charity Tumpesia- Needs Assessment

On 15th June 2022, we undertook a visit to Charity's community; her school, and her home to ascertain her vulnerability and needs. Charity Losim Tumpesia comes from a typical Maasai homestead. Her family lives in a Manyatta; they are mainly pastoralists. They keep cattle, sheep, and goats. Her mother sells bracelets and also engages in agriculture. She is one of our beneficiaries of the BMZ project of drip-drop irrigation.



Medical Support

Charity Tumpesia's mom has been battling an eye problem that has been on and off. In the last quarter of the year, it got worse and was almost making her go blind. Through the sponsor's support, we were able to seek medical care for her.

In November 2022, we began treatment facilitation for Charity's mother at City Eye Hospital in Upper Hill, Nairobi. She has been put in eye clinics and we are hoping that she will get better. The total cost that we have incurred so far is KES 71,940. Please see the attached medical report.



Charity Tumpesia's Homestead

NAME: Kaino Njoyan L58318 DATE: 16th Feb 2023

Presenting complaints: Presented November 2022 with loss of vision both eyes (progressive). Diagnosed with angle closure glaucoma. ^{16/12/22} before 16/12/22

Past medical history: Right Eye LASER laser peripheral iridotomy was done on 4/1/2023.

Examination: Visual acuity 6/18 right eye; light perception left eye. ^{24/02} on pilocarpine tid, combigan & azopt w/ OS 0.9-1.0. Left eye corneal scar

Diagnosis: Advanced angle closure glaucoma + right left corneal scar

Treatment so far (if applicable):

Recommendation: Continue pilocarpine, azopt, combigan
Follow up in Kajiado

Yours Sincerely,
[Signature]

Esoit Primary School

Charity Tumpesia attends Esoit Primary School and is in Grade Four. It is about 7km away from her homestead. She wakes up at 5.00 am to prepare and leave for school while at the same time being able to arrive by 7.00 am.

We got to talk to Mr. Irungu, her headteacher who explained some of the challenges that they were facing as a school. The challenges were the children not having adequate exercise books, inadequate story books to boost their language, some of them do not have full school uniforms, and the inability of these children to access enough food at home making them unable to concentrate on their studies.



Esoit Primary School

P146-14845 Abigael Kudate and P146-14399 Kukan Lesiyio (Special Support)

On 18th November 2022, we were able to visit the families of P146-14845 Abigael Kudate and P146-14399 Kukan Lesiyio. For each of these families, we were able to customize the items according to their needs but did not vary from what we had agreed on. Both families got the same quantity of food items.

For Abigael Kudate, and her 3 siblings, we bought full school uniforms, pencils, ball pens and books for her and her two siblings who study at Oloika Primary School. For her eldest brother, who is in high school, we bought him a bag, exercise books, pencils and biro pens. From the fund, we also paid school fees to Oloika Primary School for Abigael & her siblings who school there.

Kukan has 4 siblings. 2 of them are not in school. We bought some nice Christmas attire/dresses for them. Kukan and his sister, who study at Long'oswa Primary School; got full school uniforms, books, pencils and biro pens as well as payment of school fees. For his other sibling, we paid his school fees since he studies in Kajiado and is rarely home.

The families were very grateful for the kind gesture. They told us to pass their overwhelming regards to the sponsor.



Kukan's family



Abigael's family

Osiligi School Support

Osiligi is a host to both sponsored children and those from the neighbouring community. The school has been incurring a number of challenges that have an effect on the ability to access quality education. Some of the challenges are inadequate learning centres/ classrooms as well as absence from school as a result of drought.

In January 2022, we were able to run a school feeding programme in the school. This was to ensure that the children fully attend school. This feeding programme was revived during the relief project when the school also received food. (90kgs of maize and 45kg of beans)

Another project that we were able to undertake is the construction of a new permanent classroom. This was to create room for the Grade 3 class who would initially have transferred to another school. The new classroom cost was KES 1,202, 384. In 2022, the total school support was KES 327,010.



Osiligi School

Child Sponsorship Bursary

As part of our goal to ensure that our sponsored children access education, we carried out a bursary initiative for all the sponsored children. Through this initiative, we were able to pay KES 1,000 for each child as school fees. This was in all our program areas and cheques were written to the specific schools. This initiative eases the burden on parents and helps to curb school dropouts and absences. The parents, children and schools were very grateful for the support. We received a number of acknowledgement letters from the schools through our coordinators.



Child Sponsorship Bursary Programme

MEDICAL COVER NHIF

P146-14390 Lantei James Lupempe

Mzee Lantei Naanyu has been ailing over the past four years. He is the father of James Lantei Lupempe. He had a urinal problem that affected his day-to-day life. He had been going for check-ups and treatment at Kajiado Hospital and was later referred to Kijabe Hospital. He was later admitted on the 16th of June 2022 and underwent surgery to correct his problem. The cost of his treatment was KES 84,000, and the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) paid for him KES 60,000.

He is among our 48 beneficiaries whose NHIF is paid for every month.



Mzee Lantei Naanyu before surgery

LOSS IN OUR FAMILIES

Since January, we have lost some of our parents and we have tried our level best to condole with them.

Josephine Nasetiai (3015)

The family of Josephine Nasetiai lost their father on the 24th of February 2022. The presumed cause of death is alcoholism. The people close to him say that he spent a lot of his time drinking and rarely had time for his family.

We were able to console the family through our sponsorship coordinator in the area (Damaris Leshin). VEE bought for them shopping and gave some money to the family.



Josephine together with her family

P146-14958 Milia Kuyoni

The family of Milia Kuyoni (P146-14958) lost their father (Kuyuoni Tain Nemayia) on the 15th March 2022. The cause of death was cancer of the liver.

He started ailing in March 2021 and was taken to two hospitals- Kenyatta National Hospital and Coptic Hospital. The family had an NHIF card that only paid for his bed space during admission.

Tain, Milia's father was a Bodaboda (motorbike) rider. He depended on this and livestock farming to provide for his family. His daily income was about Kshs. 300 to Kshs. 400.



Milia Kuyoni with her mother & siblings

P146-14816 Reginah Koyiaki Nkisilo

Reginah Koyiaki lost her father on the 24th of April 2022. The late had two wives and ten children. He had not been a sickly person his entire life. He fell ill at the age of 90-he started having problems with his eyes. His elder son took him to the hospital and had been going for check-ups since then. He died at the age of 95. The family is fairing well. We sent Joel Memiri to pass our condolences to the family.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROJECTS

Ibisil Project

Despite experiencing challenges with Broken borehole; we are still on course with the project. We have been buying water at a cost of KES 7,000 weekly to water the crops. Our greenhouses have kales, spinach, and tomatoes.

Greenhouse A- It has tomato Eva. We planted 300 seedlings that did well. They are all mature now and already producing fruits. Earlier on; they were attacked by rust at the root level which affected their growth but was treated upon noticing.

Greenhouse B- It is occupied by Kales; thousand head variety. They are doing well and ready for sale.

Greenhouse C- This one has spinach. We planted 250 seedlings that only fit lines. The third week after planting; they were affected by rust also which caused spots on the leaves. We were able to treat them and they are now ready for sale.



Greenhouse B



Greenhouse A



Greenhouse C



Drip drop Kits

We have two Drip Drop Kits in the compound. Kit A has kales and spinach. Kit B has spring onions. On 19th June, Kit A was invaded by goats from a neighbor (Mayiote Oltus) Thrice and caused intense damage. The case was reported to the area chief, Who referred the case to local Bisil Police Station (OB: 09/20/06/2022) After the owner defied to compensate . The damage was assessed by the extension officer and the total approximate cost was KES 20,700. The Local Board however recommended no action to be taken on the owner because she is a beneficiary of the projects.



Tent A



Tent B

Project Summary

We have put a lot of effort into this project in order to ensure its continuity and long-term aid to the community. Through the area agronomist, he is able to ensure continuity in quality agricultural production in the greenhouses and the home kitchen gardens as well as monitor the growth of crops over time. The area agronomist together with his assistant agronomist is also in charge of the sale of crops from the greenhouses. The sale of each leaf of kale and spinach is 1 ksh each and soon the tomatoes will sell at 5 ksh each. The Money is banked in the community account held at Equity Bank Ibisil Branch. The Money in that account is KSH 158,612.50

Karangatha Project

Agricultural production has been relying on the traditional farming approaches resulting in to decrease in the cost of production and decreased output production. As a result, the project has come up with innovative measures that will help the farmers maximize productivity and profitability and also reduce the cost of production.

We have done soil testing on **4.5ha of community farming land at a cost of KES 18,000** to help in optimizing crop production, build a nutrient management plan, and identify nutrient deficiencies which will provide a basis for recommendations on the amount of fertilizer, and organic manure, and lime. We have also carried out a number of activities at the training farm in Kwa Haraka for land preparation that includes removing the tree stumps, leveling the lower part of the land, ploughing, making ridges for potato planting, and digging trenches. We also purchased manure to improve soil fertility. In February this year, we set up/ transferred the seed curing store to Kwa Haraka Farm (Project Team). This will aid our farmers and enhance quality seed production in the area. We also have an area agronomist who oversees the project and group farms, coordinates the sales, and offers advisory services to the farmers.



The new seed curing store

The current activity on training farm land is land preparation and planting of potatoes. Here are a few photos of the same.



Kwa Haraka Farm in Karangatha

Self Help Groups- Karangatha

We are still working with our farmers in their groups. Arizona, Texas, California and Netali have ploughed their land and prepared the ridges for planting potatoes tubers and peas next season. They also sprayed Kausha (glyweed) herbicide to control weeds and reduce soil disturbance. We have also provided them with inputs as follows.

1. Mollo bio fertilizer to be used during planting.
2. Gillan N fungicides for control of blight
3. Acre plus for topdressing
4. Mona foliar feeds



Farmers working on their group farm in Karangatha

Here is a summary of the earnings from farming by the various groups:

Texas group has a total of 0.5 acres of land; they planted cabbages and peas. Their total earnings were KES 12,010. They have ploughed their land and prepared ridges for planting potatoes this season.

Netali group has 0.25 acres of land. They cultivated it the last season and planted cabbages. From the sale of 650 cabbages, they got a total of KES 3,896.

Maryland Group has 0.5 acres of land for cultivation. In the last two seasons, they planted cabbages, sold 1560 cabbage heads from the 0.25 acres of land and earned KES 15,270. The other 0.25 acres of land did not do well due to adverse weather conditions especially inadequate rainfall.

Arizona Group has 0.5 acres, they planted cabbages and sold 996 cabbage heads and got a total of KES 7,047.

California SHG has 0.5 acres of land. In the last season, they harvested 2,080 cabbages planted on the 0.25 acres of land and got KES 13,000.

The groups shared the incomes. Currently, all the groups have prepared their land and are ready for planting this season.

The sales from the produce are divided as follows 15% saved in the equity bank community account held at Njambini currently it has KES 37,987.50. 20% Saved in the Vilsa Sacco where they can borrow 3 times their savings 65% is shared among the families that are farming.



Cabbages from some of the group farms in Karangatha

Self-Help Groups- Kinale

In Kinale, we have also been working with our members in their self-help groups. All through; we have monitored their progress and the impact of the projects on them despite some of them being inactive Here is a summary of the group activities since January. We divided the community of 150 Farmers into 10 Groups who are farming, each group leased over 0.3 hectares of land, and in total the arable land is 3.4 hectares of land. We provided fertilizer seeds, herbicides and Agronomist services. The sales from the produce are divided as follows **15%** saved in the equity bank **community account** held at Kimende currently it has KES 93,330.50. **20%** Saved in the **Vilsa Sacco** where they can borrow 3 times their savings **65%** is shared among the **families** that are farming

Jerusalem Self Help Group

Jerusalem	January, February & March	Harvesting of potatoes- They got 73 buckets of potatoes, sold at KES 550 each and got a total of KES 40,150. They also planted their other portions of land	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 7 flat bags of seeds 2. 150 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 100 Kg top dressing fertilizer 4. 2kg fungicide 5. 3 bags of certified seeds
	April	The members were clearing their three portions of land. In total they have 7 portions of land.	
		The members participated in earthing up, spraying, weeding and topdressing their portions of land that had potatoes. They also engaged in preparing 3 portions of land they had received. All	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 50kg CAN fertilizer 2. 1 kg of fungicide 3. 75 Kg of planting fertilizer
	June	The group harvested potatoes from one portion of land. They got 10 buckets and 1 flat bag of seeds (The approximate value is KES 5,000). They decided not to sell their produce but shared it among the members.	



Jerusalem's Harvest

Bethlehem Self Help Group



The sheep bought from farming proceeds by Bethlehem

Bethlehem	March	Harvesting of potatoes- they harvested 20 bags of potatoes, sold each of KES 3,000 and got a total of KES 60,000	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4 flat bags of seed 2. 75 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 75 Kg top dressing fertilizer 4. 2 kg fungicide
	April	They prepared their two portions of land that they had harvested previously. In total, they have six portions of land.	1. 4 flat bags of potato seeds
	May	The group harvested potatoes from their two portions of land. From one portion and they got three and a half bags, sold each at KES 2,000 while the other portion gave them 4 bags, sold each at KES 3,000. They made a total of KES 21,100.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4 flat bags of seed 2. 125 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 2kg fungicide
	June	The members were preparing their two portions of land. They also harvested one portion of land, got seven and a half bags and sold them at KES 3,000 each. They purchased chicken and wire mesh for each member.	

Bethel Self Help Group

Bethel	March	Harvesting of potatoes- they harvested 8 bags of potatoes, sold each at KES 2,300 and got a total of KES 18,400. They used the funds to purchase inputs and peas for planting.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1 flat bag of seed 2. 25 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 25 Kg top-dressing fertilizer 4. 1kg fungicide
	April	The members were clearing the two extra portions of land that they received. They had 3 portions of land that were active	
	May	The members finalized the clearing and ploughing of their two portions of land. They agreed to plant Sukuma Wiki (Kales). In total, they had three portions of land	
	June	They began the preparation of their land after harvesting peas. They purchased seeds from the produce of peas. They got 65 kgs of peas, sold each at KES 60 and got a total of KES 2,380. Their produce was affected by Monkeys.	



Bethel Group members working on their farm

Judea Self Help Group

Judea	January, February & March	Harvesting of potatoes that they had planted earlier. They got 11 bags of potatoes, sold at KES 2,600 each and got a total of KES 28,600. They also planted their other portions of land	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4 flat bags of seed potatoes 2. 100 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 100 Kg top dressing fertilizer 4. 2 kg fungicide
	April	Land preparation for the two portions of land they received. They contributed among themselves to buy seeds and manure. They also have 6 portions of land	
	May	The members were engaged in the harvesting of potatoes from their two portions of land. They got 10 bags of potatoes, sold each at KES 2,700.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 50 Kg of planting fertilizer 2. 1 Kg of fungicide
	June	They were involved in preparing their portions of land after the last harvest. They managed to harvest 10 bags of potatoes and sold each at KES 2,700. (Total= KES 27,000). They shared the returns with the members to help pay school fees for their children.	



Group farm

Most of the groups in Kinale have been active from January to June. Galilee Self-Help Group members just began their activities in June. Bethsaida & Dekapoli Self-Help Groups have been inactive.

Samaria Self Help Group

GROUP	MONTH	ACTIVITIES	INPUT RECEIVED
Samaria	Jan, Feb & March	Harvesting of potatoes that they had planted earlier- they harvested 16 bags of potatoes, sold each at KES 2,900 and got a total of KES 46,400	1. 3 flat bags of seeds 2. 50 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 50 Kg top dressing fertilizer 4. 1kg fungicide
	April	1. Ploughed their portions of land 2. Planted potatoes in two portions and peas on the other. They used part of the funds from the harvest to purchase pea seeds.	1. 2 flat bags of seeds 2. 50 Kg of planting fertilizer
	May	The members participated in earthing up, spraying, weeding and topdressing one portion of land. All their 4 portions of land were active.	1. 25 Kg of CAN fertilizer 2. 1 Kg of fungicide
	June	The members undertook second weeding and spraying of their potatoes. All their 4 portions of land were active.	1. 1 litre of Acre Plus fertilizer 2. 100g of fungicide



Donkeys bought by Samaria Group from farming proceeds.

Joppa Self Help Group

Joppa	January & February	They contributed funds among themselves and purchased seeds. They planted potatoes.	1. 2 flat bags of seed 2. 50 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 50 Kg top dressing fertilizer 4. 1kg fungicide
	April	The members were spraying the potatoes in their two portions of land	
	May	The members harvested their two portions of land. They got 4 bags of potatoes and sold them at KES 2,000 each. They also began preparing the land for the next season.	
	June	The members harvested their portions of land. They got 4 bags, sold each at KES 2,000 each and got a total of KES 8,000. They used KES 4,000 to purchase seeds and the rest to pay school fees.	1. 1 litre of Acre Plus fertilizer 2. 100g of fungicide



Some of the inputs given to groups

Nazareth Self Help Group

GROUP	MONTH	ACTIVITIES	INPUT
Nazareth	January & February	They planted their portions of land- Were affected by frost at the growth and development stage.	1. 2 flat bags of seed 2. 50 Kg of planting fertilizer 3. 50 Kg top dressing fertilizer 4. 1kg fungicide
	April	The members were spraying the potatoes in their other portion of land since the other one was affected by frost	

Galilee Self Help Group

Galilee	June	They began preparing their quarter acre of land	
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Kinale Project Farm

As a demonstration site; the Kinale farm has immensely helped the community members Since the start of the year we have planted peas and potatoes. Most of the group members have been visiting the site for guidance and advisory services from the area agronomist; Mr. Boniface. He has also been going around the group farms to ensure that the members adopt good agricultural practices. The produce sold from this farm goes into the community account in Kimende to support the families adding to the pool from the groups 15% sales deposit . This Funds are Managed by the community Board in consultation with VEE to benefit the children and Families .



Kinale Farm



Potatoes from Kinale Project farm

VILSA Sacco Savings

In line with supporting these self-help groups economically, we signed a Memorandum of understanding with VILSA Sacco. We ensured that they completed their registration and have been saving KES 3,000 for each of these groups as of March. The groups in Kinale and Karangatha are all registered in the Sacco. From our agreement; Sacco offers different products that are favourable to our members. Some of the products are:

Wekeza Kilimo Loan (12-Month Repayment)

VEE Registered Groups, The loan must be fully guaranteed by non-withdrawable deposits of other groups or VILSA members. Members must have saved for 6 months consecutively to qualify for a loan.

The interest is at 12% per annum on reducing balance and the repayment period is 12 months other costs are Insurance and transaction fee one-off cost is 5% of the amount borrowed one-off.

The loan attracts a 3-month grace/holiday period and will be given to the group before repayments.

Since March; we have been saving for the groups in Kinale & Karangatha. We have been able to save for them a total of **KES 135,000**. In addition, we also save as institutions; VEE & CBK. Since January we have been able to save **KES 96,000**.

GOAT PROJECT IBISIL

As for Ilbisil, we took a different approach after holding a consultative session with the community board. They opted to be receiving the **KES 3,000** Group Support each month through their group leaders. So Far the amount given to the groups **KES 108,000** to buy goats and replenish their flock after the drought that has being and is still persisting. Some groups have sold their goats at a cost of between **KES 4,000** to **KES5,000** to help individual families who are in need a good example is Illmirishi group who sold already two goats

All of the groups have been adding a goat to their existing herd. Some of the groups have experienced loss for instance Ilmeshuki group. Here is a report on the number of goats that each group has:

- Ilaramatak= 6
- Ilmirisho= 2
- Ilmirishi= 12
- Imepukoo= 4
- Ilparakuo= 6
- Ilaitete= 10
- Ilmejooli= 10
- Enduata= 7
- Ilareto= 9
- Ilmemiri= 10
- Olomoyana= 2
- Ilmeshuki= 9



TRAINING

GENEROSITY PATH TRAINING helps people to discover the great joy of giving.

(2 cor 8;7) “But just as you excel in everything- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness, and in your love for us see that you also excel in this grace of giving”

This Training is designed for Ministry leaders’ General audience and also Business and Professional leaders. This year VEE has trained over 140 participants in Kenya (Meru Tharaka-nithi Nairobi), Uganda (Kampala and Mbarara), and South Africa (Cape Town) where we attended the Generosity Path African leaders meeting.

WHY GENEROSITY?

Having the experience we have to serve in NGO and moving around seeing poverty and social economic injustices we have discovered that communities around are more expectant each day for donations yet they have resources within themselves that they can tap from and become self-reliant.

It is easy to see the need and lack however the same situation there is a resource that when combined together can transform the needs and turn them into opportunities for growth and development for the community and people around. Our Training purposes are to Demystify what is and isn't Generosity. Generosity is giving freely of our resources since God has Given freely to us (Matt 10:8). Generosity loves and gives because God first loved and gave (1John4:19). He loved us so much that he gave His son, Jesus (John 3:16). Because of Jesus we receive every kind of spiritual Blessings (Eph 1:3, 2cor 8:9) Generosity with Godly intent stores up eternal blessing (Mat6:20, 1Tim6:19, Lk12:33) God has designed the universe so that Generosity brings great blessing. Blessings like happiness (Acts 20:35) and others ' esteem (Prv11:25).

But Generosity's True motive is never to get earthly goods from God (Lk10:35). Rather Generous people will experience suffering and even persecution (2 Tim 3:12). Generous people view earthly goods as a passing mist, they choose instead to rejoice in the presence of God, not the "presents "of God (2Tim 3:12) Generous people rejoice in God Himself and the spiritual inheritance laid up for them (Psm73:25-26, Hab3:17-18).

Some of the testimonials are stated below: Uganda and Kenya Respectively

"I bless the Lord and I bless you. Thank you for really guiding us and ministering to us and sharing this information. It was really a blessing By the grace of God, I will share this opportunity with others. God bless you always."

"Thank you so much for taking your time to take us through such an inspiring and thought-provoking session last Friday. Every time I attend JOGs I am challenged about giving in a brand new way. May the LORD bless you abundantly as you continue to stir people's hearts with the message of generosity."



JOG Training in Marimanti



We have been able to carry out Journey of Generosity Training in different parts of the continent. Here is a photo gallery of the different subsequent pieces of training.



JOG Kenya Resources Global



JOG Training in Rwanda



JOG Training in Tharaka Nithi for VEE members



JOG Training in Nigeria



JOG Training in South Sudan

WE EXTENDED OUR HANDS

We were glad to receive a kind donation from Margaret Beck. Her instruction was for us to feed the children in Marsabit at the time when Kenya was experiencing drought. We partnered with Caritas Marsabit to support Mr. Galgalo's family.



MARIMANTI PROJECT

After a thorough needs assessment and enrolling about 60 children on the child sponsorship program, we embarked on the project. February this year, we conducted various activities in Marimanti- Tharaka Nithi. We had a training session with all the registered members of the VEE where we explained to them our model of empowerment, its implications and the importance of working in cohesion with one another. At the end of the session, we were able to form five self-help groups, create and sign the group constitution.

We have also partially purchased 2 acres of land to be used as a training demonstration site for our members in Marimanti. We also got an eighth acre of land where we will start drilling the borehole.



Groups Training in Marimanti

The groups were also able to choose their own leaders. The second day was also eventful with another training session with the group leaders on their role and the new goat farming project. We issued each group with goats and facilitated them in the construction of loafing sheds. Here is a summary of the groups



Issuing Goats in Marimanti

The groups have made various strides towards their own development. Here is a summary of what they have been able to do so far.

Seth VEE Self Help Group

This group received 3 goats; 1 Toggenburg and 2 Galla goats. They convene each Sunday and save KES 100. However, for the last two months, they have not met and had their merry-go-round.

Capernaum VEE Self Help Group

They received 3 goats; 2 Toggenburg & 1 Galla goat. At the moment, one doe is expectant. They have also been doing merry-go-round, saving KES 50 each. From the pool of funds, they have been buying chicken for each of the thirteen members.

Mount Sinai VEE Self Help Group

This group got 4 goats, 1 Toggenburg & 3 Galla goats and one doe is expectant. They meet each and every Friday. Each Friday; they contribute KES 150 each. From this KES 100 is channelled towards buying plastic chairs that they can hire out. The other KES 50 goes to savings that they can give out to members as loans. Currently, they have KES 700 as savings; they started about a month ago.

Caanan VEE Self Help Group

This group received 3 goats; 1-Toggenburg & 2 Galla goats. They meet every Tuesday, the 1st and 3rd week of the month. They have also progressed in terms of savings and have been buying goats for each of their members. So far, they have a total of 13 goats apart from the ones we had issued them. On the first Tuesday, they contribute KES 300 and on the 3rd week, they contribute KES 200. KES 400 goes toward the purchase of goats and KES 100 goes to savings. They have a total of about KES 8,000.

Visioneer VEE Self Help Group

This group got 3 goats; 1 Toggenburg & 2 Galla. So far two of the goats have given birth and they have a total of 5 goats. They also meet every Tuesday and contribute KES 100. This contribution is given to each group member each round. They are in the process of planning on how to commence table banking.

Pastor Jackson Karangu's Support

Pastor Jackson is our coordinator in the Marimanti Project Area. He plays a very integral role in organizing and coordinating project activities in the area. Unfortunately, last year he was hospitalized and diagnosed with cancer. We sought support and was able to get KES 100,000 to help with the medical bill.



Group Certificates





RELIEF FOOD PROJECT

Village Economic Empowerment carried out relief food distribution exercises in Ilbisil, Kajiado County. The project is set to give relief food to both VEE sponsor families and community members through the local chiefs. The activity was carried out in three distribution centres namely: Long'oswa, Naibala and Osiligi. This exercise was carried out over a period of six weeks. We also distributed the relief food to different schools within the area depending the population that they serve. The schools received 45 to 90kg of maize and 22.5kg to 45kg of beans. The schools are Osiligi, Long'oswa, Esoit, Ilmarba, and Olonkai primary schools.

Long'oswa Distribution Centre

We were able to give food to about 119 VEE Sponsor families from this area. Each family got 25kg of maize, 17.5 kg of beans and 3 litres of cooking oil over the relief distribution period. Over 200 community members got 9kg of maize and beans.



Osiligi Distribution Centre

We were able to give food to about 27 VEE Sponsor families from this area. Each family got 25kg of maize, 17.5 kg of beans and 3 litres of cooking oil. 20 families from the community also received the food with a ratio ranging from 9kg to 12kg of maize and beans.

Naibala Distribution Centre

We were able to give food to 41 VEE Sponsor families from this area. Each family got 25kg of maize, 17.5 kg of beans, and 3 litres of cooking oil. 45 families from the community also received the food with each getting 6kg of maize and 3kg of beans throughout the distribution.



CONCLUSION

As we end the year, we are elated that we were able to achieve our year's objectives and even went the extra mile. We have definitely had some key learning points and are hopeful for what the future holds.

This is in consideration of the overall goal of ensuring that we empower our communities. Our ultimate goal is to closely work with our beneficiaries and ensure that we holistically impact their lives personally, economically, spiritually and communally. We acknowledge the need for joint effort and are looking forward to working with different stakeholders to ensure maximum impact.