



Newsletter April 2019

Kenya, officially the Republic of Kenya (Swahili: Jamhuri ya Kenya), is a country in Africa with 47 semi autonomous counties governed by elected governors. At 580,367 square kilometres (224,081 sq mi), Kenya is the world's 48th largest country by total area. With a population of more than 52.2 million people, Kenya is the 27th most populous country. Kenya's capital and largest city is Nairobi while its oldest city and first capital is the coastal city of Mombasa. Kisumu City is the third largest city and a critical inland port at Lake Victoria. Other important urban centres include Nakuru and Eldoret.



Mombasa is a coastal city of Kenya along the Indian Ocean. It is the country's oldest (circa 900 AD) and second-largest city (after the capital Nairobi), with an estimated population of about 1.5 million people in 2017. Its metropolitan region is the second largest in the country and has a population of approximately 3 million people. Administratively, Mombasa is the county seat of Mombasa County.

Mombasa is a regional cultural and economic hub; it has an extra-large port and an international airport, and is an important regional tourism centre. Located on the east coast of Kenya, it also is the home of one of the State House (Kenya), and is considered by some as a second capital in all but name. In Mombasa County and the former Coast Province, Mombasa's situation on the Indian Ocean made it a historical trading centre and it has been controlled by many countries because of its strategic location.

Eduaid Africa supports schools and pupils in the Mombasa region.

Saint Luke's Day

St. Luke's day in Kaloleni is a day when the Church focuses on the sick and less fortunate in the community.

At St. Luke's hospital, the day provides free medical services for many patients both adults and children. Last year 334 attended St Luke's Day. In addition, 38 children were screened for malnutrition. In his report the hospital clinical officer said, "I wish to sincerely thank and appreciate Educaid Africa for their sustained support of medicines which marks the core of the day's activity".

The money is generously given annually from an Educaid Africa sponsor. It's very humbling that £500 can make such a difference. We are looking for new sponsors for this event. If you are interested in supporting it, please contact us.



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If you have a problem please email Educaid Africa. **Be brave, please do it, every penny counts!**

Students

We are pleased to announce the graduation of two special students, Bernard and Eunice.



Bernard Nyale graduated from the University of Eldoret Pavilion with a BSc in Analytical Chemistry with computing, he is currently looking for his very first employment.



Eunice Kalama graduated from Masinde Muliro University with a BSc in Biology. She is hoping to continue her education by self funding a Masters degree in Cell Biology.

We have new students attending further education, two going to Teacher Training College and four off to University. We are sponsoring four new students through their secondary education.

Twelve sponsored students took their final exams and completed their four years at the end of the academic year in December 2018. Some of them may be looking for financial support through college or university, if they are successful in being offered a place later this year. We are always looking for sponsors at this level, the cost being about £50 a month. Please do get in touch if you or a group of you are interested in supporting a student in Further or Higher Education.

In this current academic year, we are already sponsoring 28 students through secondary school and 13 in Further Education.

Rev Harry Mills

We remember, with gratitude, the life and influence of our late president, Rev Harry Mills, who recently passed from this life to the next. He has been a Trustee for many years and has been a most influential missionary in Kenya in his younger days. His influence still lives on in his daughter Alison who is one of our Trustees.

£1105 was raised in memory of Harry. The family are adding their donation to this to enable a scholarship fund to be set up in his memory.

Fundraising Thanks

A huge thank you to all our sponsors and fundraisers. Streetsbrook and Greswold Schools have raised money for Malau School, which will go to buy books, equipment and support IT. Funds have also been sent to M'Bungoni Nursery.

In January a fund raising supper organised by members of St Swithin's Barston raised £474 which will pay for three sets of uniforms and equipment for pupils starting secondary school.

This is the second time EducAid Africa has received a generous donation from The Rotary Club of Stratford upon Avon, recently presenting a cheque for £1000 to support IT in Malau School. We are indebted to Cliff Armstrong for making this possible.

We are sure you are well aware how much **your** hard work is appreciated by all our pupils and students in Africa. Our chairman, Ian Carnell, regularly sends you extracts from their letters which we receive from Mombasa.

Nelson Mandela said, **"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."** We are using this weapon to enhance the lives of so many young people in Kenya by paying for the education that they most certainly need and deserve.

Numerous young people – both male and female – have benefited from this unique opportunity to change their lives completely by providing something that we in Britain take for granted – free education.

I know that you too believe in and support this organisation called EducAid Africa. Unlike most charities, every penny we raise goes to Kenya and every penny benefits these special young people.

Thank you all for your continued support – it means a lot to us as Trustees and certainly means a great deal to our friends in Kenya!