

Jarrettown Church and Living Hope

JUMC's Connie Damon has gone to Living Hope for the past 7 years as our Ambassador. Although the pandemic prevented her return this past January, she hopes to be able to return in January of 2022 to continue work begun there in past years.

Through her sharing of needs upon her return here each year, Jarrettown Church members have caught her sense of urgency to help with the needs of Living Hope. In 2014, we were able to raise the money to have a Well dug. In years since, we have helped with the purchase of a vehicle for emergency transport of ill students and those in the surrounding Bush. We built a Healing Hut (small Dispensary), equipped it with medicines and hired a local nurse who sees to the medical needs of the students. We helped with purchasing a parcel of land adjoining the campus for a new dorm to be built, and construction of protective fencing around the property. These are just some of the ways we have answered the call. Marilyn and the students constantly say "THANK YOU JARRETTOWN!".



The vision and goals of Living Hope are becoming a reality as sponsored children have their lives changed and are given hope to replace hopelessness. God is at work at Living Hope, and we can continue to help.

How You Can Help

1. Pray for the children at Living Hope.
2. Contribute during April to our fund-raising for the ministry of Living Hope (form attached).
3. Sign up to sponsor a student.

To learn more about Living Hope, go to their website Livinghopehighschool.org or contact Connie Damon at conniedamon624@gmail.com

From Marilyn Uhl, Director of Living Hope, the students and Connie Damon
- ASANTE SANA! (Thank you very much!)



History

Living Hope High School was born of necessity. In 2009, Marilyn Uhl answered God's call to go to Kenya where she rescued 24 impoverished orphaned students who lacked sustenance and had no hope for the future. Unsponsored by any church, Marilyn used her retirement money to rent two storerooms where she began Living Hope High School.

Since then, Living Hope has grown to have 88 students who are receiving a high quality Christian education on a 9-acre campus in Bungoma. The school is registered with the Kenya Board of Education as an accredited 4-year high school. Thirteen Kenyan teachers are salaried. Nine local people are employed as full time service staff (cutting wood, cooking, etc.).

Living Hope receives no support from any source except individual donors from the US who sponsor individual students, paying \$110 monthly. Donations are 100% tax deductible.

The total amount goes to pay for the student's living expenses and education. All support donations are handled by the Rierton UM Church, which acts as the 501c3 coordinator.



Living Hope High School coordinates its goals with the four focus areas of the United Methodist church.

Develop Christian Leaders: LHHS holds its students to high academic standards. They remain enrolled only if they pass the yearly standardized tests of Kenya. They are required to take Christian education classes taught by a local Christian minister all four years and attend prayer services every evening. Students are challenged to witness to their faith by becoming involved in the United Methodist NO MORE MALARIA program using their skills to serve their fellow man.

Start New Congregations and Revitalize Existing Ones: We use campus buildings for local congregational worship and fellowship every week. Students are encouraged to enter the ministry. Living Hope High School's choir ministry demonstrated their Christian faith by singing and witnessing in the community.

Ministry with the Poor: All students are completely poverty stricken and unable to pay for secondary school. They now have an opportunity to graduate from an accredited high school and to evade hunger and disease.

Stamp Out Killer Disease: All students will be able to maintain a healthy life with proper nutrition, sanitary facilities, mosquito nets and vaccinations for typhoid by using learned skills to serve their fellow man. They plan to become a much needed distribution site for United Methodist NO MORE MALARIA nets in western Kenya.

After prayerful consideration I commit to supporting Living Hope School & Orphanage with:

- ◊ Prayer: I will commit to praying for Living Hope school, the teachers and students
- ◊ Pledge: I pledge \$ _____ Week _____ Month _____ Quarter
- ◊ A one-time gift of \$ _____
- ◊ Sponsor a student for 4 years at \$110 per month

Name _____

Phone _____

Email: _____

Checks can be made out to JUMC with Living Hope on the memo line
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Kenya

