

Kenya's Kids Newsletter – September 2022

AIC MBOONI CHILDRENS HOME

Historical background

AIC Mbooni Children's home was started on 29th June 1979 by of Africa Inland church - Kenya. The sole objective of the home was to uplift the vulnerable and needy children in the society. Over the years, the home has been focusing to its objective and many children have graduated in various career courses like health workers, Pastors, Accountants, Teachers, Bankers, Engineers, ect.



Main House where there is Managers room, Visitors Rooms, Small boys' dorm and main office

[Location of AIC Mbooni Children's home](#)

AIC Mbooni children home is located approximately 110 kilometres (68.35 miles) South East of Nairobi City. It is in the larger Eastern Province at Makueni County in Mbooni west District at Mbooni Hills which 6,709 feet above the sea level. The locals speak Kamba language which is a sub-tribe of the Bantu speaking community in Kenya and East and Central Africa

The population per a 7 kilometres radius is 53,406 people making it highly densely populated area. Due to the good conducive farming climate, the majority of Mbooni population engages in small scale farming. The crops grown are mainly corn, beans, coffee and a variety of fruits.

[Population of AIC Mbooni Children's Home](#)

AIC Mbooni children is currently having population of 102 children. We have 53boys and 49 girls currently residing in the home at the moment. They are in different ages and grade in school learning programs.



CHILDREN AND STAFF PREPARING FOR A PHOTO

Staffing:

AIC Mbooni Children's Home has Manager who oversee daily running activities, Assistant Manager, Matron, Two Dorm Mothers, Watchman and Cook /Dorm father as parenting caregivers. Several Casual labourers are engaged to assist in various duties.



CATEGORY OF ADMISSION

A child is admitted if he/she meet one or more of the following traumatizing issues; -

- i) Be a Total Orphan
- ii) Be a Partial Orphan i.e., with one parent
- iii) Needy: parent(s) who are a life but leaving in extreme poverty.
- iv) The parent(s) are serving a very long jail term such that the life of the child would be affected
- v) Abandoned and Neglected children in the society.
- vi) Sexually abused children.

The children are recruited at an age of 5Yrs – 9Yrs without discrimination of race, Creed, tribe or religion.

Services offered-

The services offered in Mbooni are in three categories

- a) Physical
- b) Moral and Spiritual &
- c) Academic

(i) Physical Services

The Home board and staff ensure they provide Good Health Care, Shelter, Balanced diet and Clothing for the children.

The children who fall sick are taken for medication and any necessary attention taken for life safety. Children are provided with balanced three meals daily. Their residential houses are well furnished for conducive living environment. Also, the board ensures there is provision of good beddings and children wearing clothes.



CHILDREN HAVING CHRISTMAS FUNES DURING CHRISTMAS DAY



CHILDREN ENJOYING SODA WITH VISITORS



Children busy washing dining chairs

(ii) Moral and spiritual support

One of the main objectives for the Home is for the children to Know and Grow in fear of God. Concern their spiritual nourishment, the children have morning and evening daily devotions. They have to attend Sunday school, Sunday service and catechism class.

The children are also given social Psyche support through counselling and regular mentorship arranged forums. This empowers them learning of life skills like washing, cooking, clothing, cleanliness and doing farm duties.



CHILDREN BEING ENCOURAGED AND ADVISED BY MAKUENI COUNTY OFFICERS ON THEIR MORAL LIFE



Young busy washing their clothing's being assisted by the dorm father

(iii) Academic Service

The children are given basic education. After the Primary School education, the academically abled children proceed to high school, while the rest are given various trades training. These include Mason, tailoring, and plumbing among other trades. This equips them with basic survival skills for their future life. After High -school the ones who do not make it to the universities are given a stipend to start off with life. The one who joins universities is supported up to when they complete their education. We are grateful to 037 James Mutata Kiamuko and 041Arich Mutua Keli for their successful completion of the course work at Kabaraka University in the Bachelor of Math and Economics



O63 Mutua Kimeu a form four Graduate was admitted in September 2022 at Makindu Kenya Medical Training Centre for Community Health Nursing Course.



CHILDREN IN PRIMARY SCHOOL-THOSE IN GREEN SHORT AND ALSO DRESS ARE CHILDREN MBOONI AIC PRIMARY. THOSE IN BLUES SHORTS AND BLUE DRESSES ARE FOR YAMBAE PRIMARY



CHILDREN DOING THEIR COMPUTER STUDIES IN OUR COMPUTER LAB.

SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS.

These are projects maintained for supplementing our annual budget. They include: -

1. Poultry Farm- Provide eggs and chicken meat for children.
2. Dairy Farm – Provide milk for children and manure for the farm utility.



Heifer donated for children and other three dairy cow gives milk for children.

3. Forest Farm – Provide timber for building and firewood for cooking meals



Big trees surrounding the green House vicinity

4. Horticulture – The home has small farm. Provide greens and other farm produce.



Cabbages grown outside our green House not sell but for children consumption



Jones the attendant and Julius cook wedding for the spinach in green house

Prayer Requests:

1. The health of the children. Time and again, children and staff fall sick. We Pray for good health. Sometime some are hospitalised.
2. Children Education funding. Good performance in education is one of determining factors of bright future. We pray for good performance for all children.
3. Boys' dormitory. The dorm for boys very small and we are seeking for new boys to admit more boys.
4. Adequate Supply of Basic Needs- Children needs balanced diet, Clothing, lighting and medication. The current inflation is affecting our daily running budget.

PENDING PROJECTS

- i) Boys' Dormitory
- ii) Fencing the home and Have Gate to keep off intruders
- iii) Inadequate water supply.

APPRECIATION

Mbooni children's Home fraternity has all reasons to thank God and His Servant around and internationally for;-

1. Care and Protection cover provided
2. Provision of daily needs for running the program to attain our goal
3. Long journey walked devotedly in serving

Thanks, God bless All abundantly

From;

Benjamin Kamende/Julius Munguti

Dear Friends of Kenya's Kids

After Julius, our Mbooni Children's Home Asst. Manager and Social Worker sent the above Newsletter to us, Joseph, our Kenya's Kids Coordinator in Machakos sent us pictures of the newly installed Solar Panels and heaters that will provide hot water for the children and leaders. This has been a very cold season for Kenya. They have been washing the clothes and bathing in cold water. This will give them heated water for bathing, washing of clothes, as well as hot water for cooking. The five solar panels and heaters are installed on the roof of Rev. Kamende's Home, office, meeting rooms, and guest rooms; the girl's dormitory; and, the boy's dormitory.

We have been praying that God would provide the funds to complete this needed project. At our last Kenya's Kids Board Meeting, we approved the installation of the Solar Panels/heaters and God provided the funds through our sponsor. Praise the Lord !

Thank you for your continuing support of the disadvantaged children of Kenya. God has given us an open door of opportunity in Kenya ... keep praying ! We are anxious to share with you what God is doing in the future !



