

JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER EDEN'S *Song* MINISTRY

MISSIONARY UPDATE

HORACE & PHYLLIS LEISTER – TUMAINI HOME, ELDORET KENYA

We are so thrilled to highlight Phyllis and Horace and their awesome ministry in Eldoret, Kenya which is only an hour from our home in Bungoma! This is the beginning of their story in Phyllis's words: "Horace and I attended a leadership conference in Kelona almost 18 years ago! As someone shared a testimony about building homes for children around the world, Horace received a call from God to go to Africa. Horace told me what God said to him but I hoped he would forget & he had almost talked himself out of it before we attended another conference a few weeks later where one of the speakers stood up and said "right now God is saying there is someone here who He spoke to a few weeks ago about going! You have told yourself in the last few weeks that this was probably just you having a good idea, not God at all!" But God says "do not be fooled this was me speaking to you and you better get going!" Horace knew this was him because the speaker used the exact words he had been hearing in his head for the last weeks! He went home & put our house up for sale! Within a year, we landed in Eldoret, Kenya where we were put in touch with an organization wanting to build children's home!"

The Tumaini ("HOPE" in Swahili) House was born during a civil war & Phyllis noticed many injured babies were being dropped off at a nearby hospital. She began visiting the babies daily & eventually obtained special permission to take them home as the hospital was unable to care for them all. Because adopting children was not an option at the time, for 13 years they just brought them into their home. It was about that time Roy & I visited this amazing family & the household that is managed so beautifully & well organized. They also run a school called Shining Light Mission School (where they now have 10 teachers) along with a beautiful new home on 10 acres of land able to house 47 children ages 3 months to 17 years. 4 years ago the Government opened domestic adoption up again so now the infants are registered through a Christian adoption agency. The Leister's have 5 children in adoptive families as well as 18 house staff & 5 Farm workers.



YOU'RE *Changing* LIVES THROUGH YOUR GIVING

Thank You to everyone donating into Eden's Song. You are our lifelines and heroes. Our Mid-Wife kits are dear to Roy & my heart as they were the kits we first began with. In 2007 we visited a small village in Uganda called Bombo where we met an amazing doctor who had opened a birthing area in a small village hospital. All he had was a light bulb, a metal table, jug of water and a meat scale. God immediately told us we would provide for these. We went home and moved from Vegas to Lewiston Id with that dream. We consulted a missionary midwife to know what medical supplies we needed, met a couple who had been saving medical supplies for an unknown ministry and started putting little bags of medical supplies together for midwives. A few years later one of our team members began adding a few outfits for the babies, booties & hat, diapers & maxipads. We now also add a gift bag for the mama's. We've evolved and so have our needs. Receiving blankets, baby's onsies, booties and hats are among the 'always needed'. They can be gently used, knitted or crocheted or purchased! Check out our [amazon wishlist](#) & have them sent directly to us. Or send a check or use our [PayPal link on the website](#) and designate "MW Kits".



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MAKE NOTE CARDS

Our kids LOVE finding 'love notes' in their backpacks SO we add one in every 12-1500 school backpacks or hospital bags we send each year! This can be a **family** project! Simply start with a blank 3x5 sized card or heavy paper. Draw a picture or use stickers & add a scripture or a 'love note' for the kids.

One year when we visited the kids in Uganda they had their cards taped to their beds. We never leave them out now.



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IT'S FLIP FLOP SEASON



We appreciate your help by donating or setting up a collection box for all sizes of children's flip flops.

We use Flip-Flops in our school backpacks & hospital bags. We also offer them in the Mid-Wife kits we make for the Philippines so we are praying for 1600 pair. Every pair of Flip Flops are received with gratitude & joy.

This picture of our precious Belize friend says it ALL!!



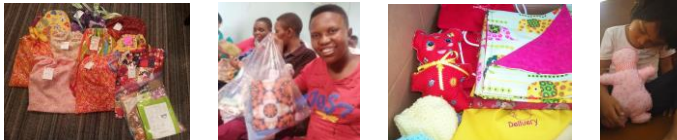
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JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM

We have 2 assembly teams to choose from. There you will find an atmosphere of fellowship, brimming with a passion for serving those on the mission field. We are looking for additional volunteers as we catch up on assembling kits after moving into our new rooms at Echo Hills Church. We welcome you to stay as we endeavor to keep up with our growth. You don't have to worry about not knowing 'how to do it', there are plenty of seasoned volunteers to help you get started as well as plenty of areas to work at what you feel most comfortable & suited in doing.

**LOCAL TEAM MEETINGS
ECHO HILLS CHURCH
THURSDAY AM 11-12:30
FRIDAY PM 3:30-5:00**

WE'RE OFF TO THE RACES



We have been blessed by so many wonderful women who can do what I see as remarkable. SEW. **Peggy Johnson** leads our sewing team whose main project is making & assembling the Washable Feminine Hygiene kits. They also sew the drawstring bags we send them in.

Cindy & Angie help make the pads & **Cindy** sews pencil & grooming kit bags as well.

Mechelle & Sharon sew teddy bears for the preschool & elementary school backpacks. We have many others like **Becky & Maggie** who sew receiving blankets & **Marsha** who knits/crochets baby booties and hats for our Mid-Wife Kits. **Leslee, Susan & Heidi** make sewing kits for the Mama Gift Bags in the Mid-Wife kits. And **Threads of Love for Heaven's Sakes** also ships us hand-sewn baby blankets and dollies.

If you like to sew and want to pitch in serving children and mama's locally & around the world please let me know. I'll hook you up with the right person to get you started.

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