

Greetings to all our HEART friends,

What an amazing year this has been! Please take a minute to read about what God has been doing through your generosity.

Our *Freedom for Girls* project, in partnership with Procter & Gamble and Rotary/ Lions clubs has empowered 42, 887 girls to remain in school and continue their education. We're on target to reach 50,000 girls by the end of December. An overwhelming body of research demonstrates that investing in girls' education delivers high returns for economic growth and broad benefits ranging from sustainable families, to disease prevention, to women's well being.

Our *Kids For School* (KFS) program now encompasses 3,270 orphans in 1,725 households. We have successfully opened offices in each village and now our Project Manager holds a weekly meeting with the village leaders by hosting SKYPE-Conferences. Talk about capacity building!

Sixty-six children are in high school due to *Soroptimist clubs*. Thank you for paying their school fees because High School is not free in Kenya.



### Sample Greenhouse

In our new *Greenhouse* program we have partnered with *Lift Up Africa* to launch Israeli made greenhouses. We are looking to place one in each of the KFS district villages where we already have the necessary infrastructure and strong local leadership needed to make such a venture successful. This idea was birthed after the drought of 2009 when HEART raised over \$50,000 for food for these orphans. We wanted a sustainable project for their future, a food security project that would raise life-sustaining crops, and generate income for these vulnerable households.



### Vickie and WEEP Graduates

Through our *WEEP* projects we continue to see AIDS infected mothers rescued from near death. WEEP provides life sustaining food, AIDS medications, skills and training. WEEP had it's first official "graduation ceremony" with 12 ladies that were once dying from AIDS launched into their own businesses and becoming self-supporting.

We saw the HEART vision- *“Empower the people of Africa to survive the HIV/AIDS pandemic”* take huge strides this year as we further developed our Kenyan Management Team. These passionate men and women have worked tirelessly along side Vickie to make this goal a reality.

This past February we celebrated our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and we continue to be amazed at what God is doing through the ministry of HEART. HEART has grown from a “mom and pop”, purely volunteer effort, to a reputable organization that manages grants from US AID, private foundations, and generous donations from organizations, businesses, and individuals like you. In September we raised the final funds needed to pay off the HEART Lodge. \$380,000 total, praise God!



We want to thank you for your support of HEART. **HEART Lodge**  
Through your faithful prayers and donations you have been a vital part of saving lives, and providing a future for young children. We sincerely appreciate your partnership with us.

Whether you’ve traveled to Kenya to volunteer, donated financially, or have been on your knees praying, we could not have been so successful without you.

Please prayerfully consider your part in advancing the ministry of HEART. You can help financially in two ways: a year-end gift, or a monthly pledge. We can assure you that we will use your gift wisely and faithfully as we continue to serve the people of Kenya.

You can enclose a check in the envelope provided, or go on line to [www.africaheart.com](http://www.africaheart.com) to make a credit card contribution. Every dollar helps enrich and save lives.

Wishing you the very best,

Benjamin Williams M.D.  
Chairman, for the HEART Board of Directors

\*If you would like to donate stocks, please contact Jen Friel in the Colorado Office (303-730-3779) for instructions.