



Reach Out Team Ministers to Widows & Orphans

2021 UPDATE

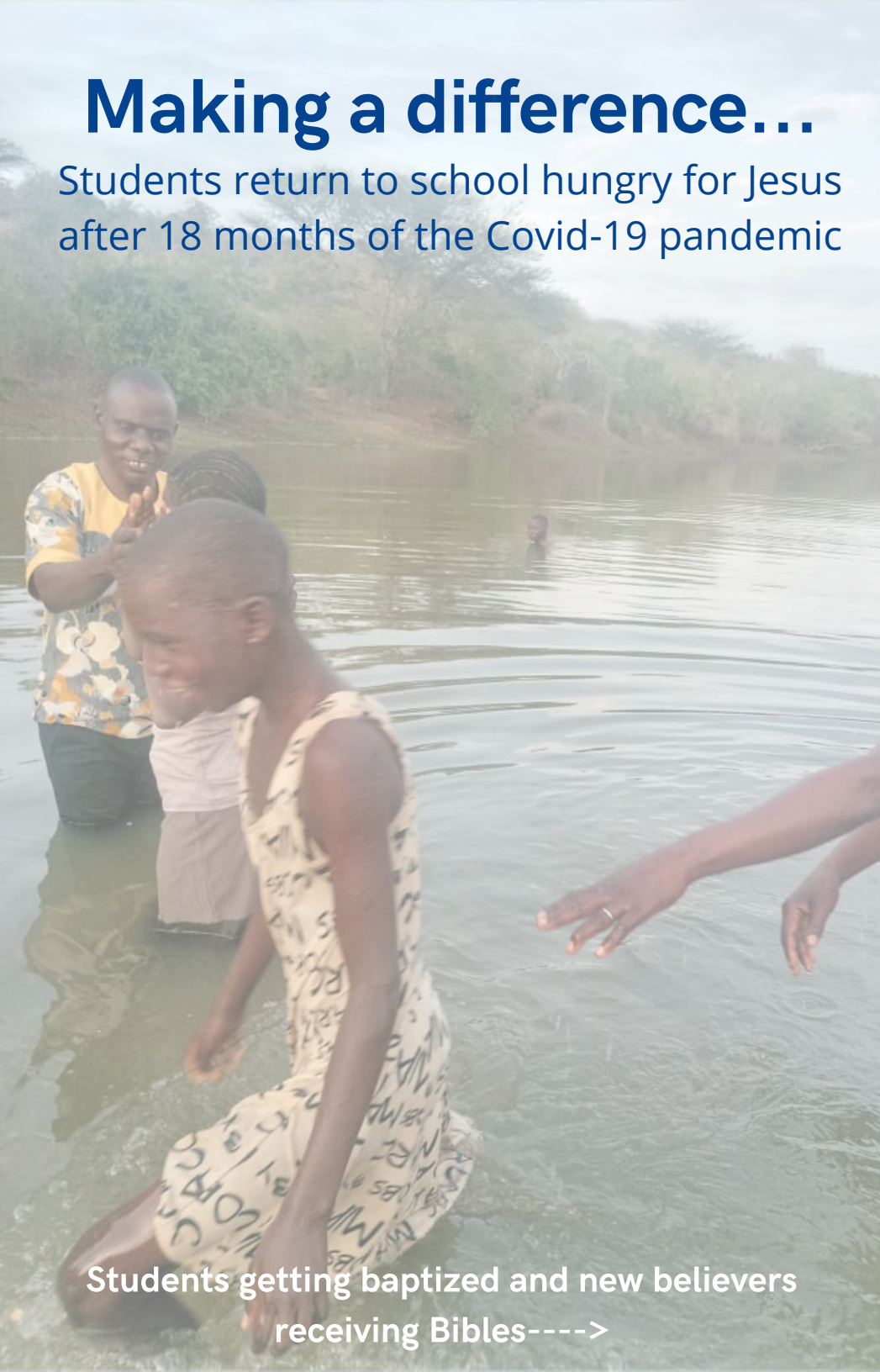
KENYA



Christopher Ochieng
Country Leader

Making a difference...

Students return to school hungry for Jesus after 18 months of the Covid-19 pandemic



Students getting baptized and new believers receiving Bibles---->

Every country around the world has been affected by the pandemic throughout 2021, including our Reach Out communities.

Yet, Reach Out's global leaders reported again and again ways that God continued to move through their countries despite the challenges from the ensuing pandemic, newly implemented country regulations and restrictions, and some countries directly facing conflicts of war.

But God showed himself faithful through it all, with new JFYM certifications, thousands of newly trained JFYM youth leaders, opened up new countries, and hundreds of newly saved believers.

Many pictures provided to us revealed God's mercy and greatness throughout our nation and those we serve in other countries around the globe.

Thank you for your continued financial partnership and dedication to help us in preparing these leaders to be more ready than ever in 2022, and bring even more of both Generations Z and Alpha to Jesus in this coming year!





Summer JFYM Sports Evangelism



July JFYM Forum Group Prayer



JFYM Evangelizing in Schools Again!



Many hearing about Jesus for the first time on Mfangano Island...

The first youth leadership training ever to occur on Mfangano Island where numerous attendees accepted Jesus!



Testimonials of JFYM Trainings and ROYS Ministry...

JFYM grads shared how they were impacted



This pastor [upper left] shared that he learned the steps to do evangelism through the JFYM training. He said they live in a place where Islam is the dominant religion, and as a priest it has been very difficult with a lot of hardships. The JFYM training was an eye-opener for him, and he learned how not to cause havoc with the Muslims. Several people have lost their lives due to terrorism toward people who do not believe in Islam. He said this was a very timely training, as many Muslims want to become Christians, and 2 Muslims even came for the JFYM training that day! He said it showed that whatever they have been doing with JFYM has been impacting their community without causing conflict. He said the content also helped him to be well-equipped when he previously had questions about how to share Christianity with others and do follow-ups.

The pastor on the upper right shared that the JFYM training was very impactful. As a young leader, the training was wonderful and that the part of "Praying with Passion" and "Discipling Students" changed his life! He shared how thankful he was and how he is going to change his ways so he can disciple students better.


Our team also ministers to widows and orphans in pockets of the nation by bringing them food and clothing. Loreen is one of the orphans our Kenyan team has been ministering to over the last couple of years in Kosele. She shared that sometimes she and all the children go without food for days, and they were so grateful for your generous donations that helped them to eat on that day! After they ate, despite their circumstances, the women and children sang a song of joy and danced!



Homa Bay

God was faithful when our team went into Homa Bay, a Kenyan area where Eagle Leader, Isaac Okoth felt drawn to minister to the youth. Homa Bay is another area notoriously rampant with HIV/AIDS, and because of the lack of employment, many of the parents literally provide their children for sex at the local fishing holes so the families can survive. Isaac has also been ministering to the teens at the fishing holes and in the schools. In one session of 15,000 students, 3,000+ students received Jesus as their Savior! The area has been requesting that our team return soon because the students and people of Homa Bay are hungry for the Gospel. We need to train more leaders to be able to follow-up and help our existing leaders there, and provide additional resources to the communities. Thank you for your continued prayer and support as Reach Out's leaders are working hard to make a difference in the youth of this area!





Our Kenya team definitely had their work cut out for them in 2021. Over 800 JFYM leaders were trained in Kenya in just the first quarter of 2021! Pandemic? What pandemic? They went at full speed all the way through the year with training 57+ new JFYM leaders to go out into their communities! Here's a few more highlights...

God opened doors and helped Reach Out minister to many of those in need who haven't even heard of Jesus. Eagle Leader, Isaac Okoth, and our African Team Leader, Mark Juma, partnered up to bring a JFYM Forum to Mfangano Island, a large island in the middle of Lake Victoria, population approximately 16,000. Three major African countries meet at this lake - Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania. Mfangano Island has no electricity, many people have never even left the island or heard of Jesus, and the island is ravaged by HIV (**30%** of its population!). Over **half** of the population of the island is under 19-years-old, and approximately 50% of those 18-years and under have already had their first child. However, the Lord proved himself faithful and His presence was strong. Sixty-eight people attended the forum, and many of them accepted Jesus!

Because our Reach Out team was unable to minister to youth in the public schools due the pandemic for over 18 months, our leaders worked more at building relationships with the youth through outdoor sports and neighborhood activities. They were finally able to begin ministering to youth in public schools again at the end of July when the schools reopened. Right away we received many photos of students receiving Jesus, making professions of faith, and receiving their first Bible!

Thank you for being a part of this journey and for your contributions to what God is doing in Kenya! Reach Out and our country team are very grateful for your dedication and service as we train and resource the youth leaders in this nation!

We look forward to providing you more of these stories and photos in 2022!



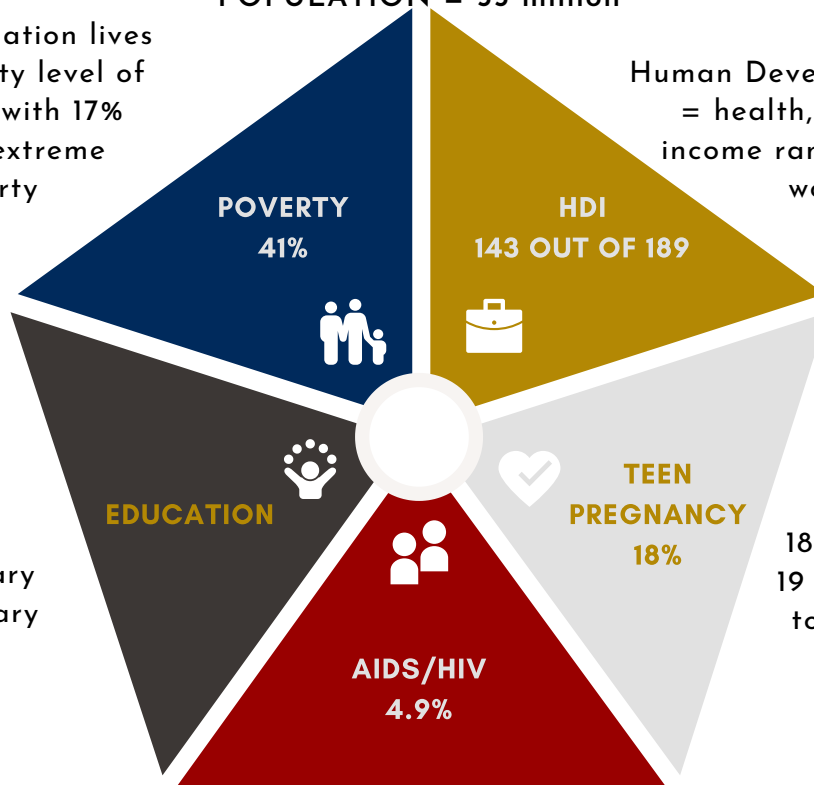
COUNTRY STATISTICS

KENYA

POPULATION = 55 million

40% of the nation lives below poverty level of \$1.90/day, with 17% living in extreme poverty

Human Development Index = health, education, income rankings in the world



18% of those ages 15-19 nationally, but rises to 33% in Homa Bay

64% of this population are women ages 15+

Challenges

- Terrorism in Kenya-Somalis border, crime and kidnapping prevalence in Turkana County
- 3.6 million orphaned, with approximately 47% of those as a result of AIDS/HIV
- Child marriage is at 23% for those under 18-years-old
- Safe sanitation and drinking water are a huge factor in Kenya, with 59% having access to safe drinking water and only 29% having access to safe sanitation

Reach Out

- A gift of \$1,000 helps indigenous leaders train 50 youth pastors through an "in-person" forum in their country.
- A gift of \$500 helps provide scholarships to train and mentor 20 youth pastors online.
- A gift of \$200 (\$3.85 per week) helps us equip 1 leader for 1 year, with the goal of that leader moving from being introduced to JFYM to implementing and multiplying JFYM. As a result, that new leader will begin training 3 additional leaders, so that from those 4 new leaders, there are a total of 12 young people discipled and praying for opportunities to influence 36 of their friends to follow Jesus.
- A monthly gift of \$100 helps us continue current ministry to leaders around the world who are trained and resourced through Reach Out.