

2021 Annual Report Church of God In Christ Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women

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"Our Kingdom Narrative that Changes the World" St. Luke 18:28-30

In collaboration with the leadership of Jurisdictional Prelate, Bishop Jerry L. Ivery Sr, the Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction (KEAFJ) of the Church of God In Christ embraces advocacy to expand educational restoration, reduce global food shortage, institute economic stabilization, and aid ministry excellence within its assigned territory. The Jurisdictional Prelate selected Dr. Valerie Daniels-Carter to lead the Kenyan Department of Women. Over the past six (6) years, she has led with fortitude, dedication, and love!

The Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women (KEAFJDW) has a charge to enhance and sustain a solid spiritual and physical familial life while constructing and pursuing the work of the Lord. To achieve this goal, the team is inspired to remain prayerful as the Holy Spirit leads them. One of the methods by which we uphold increased spiritual wisdom is through the continual ingenuity of programs presented by our Jurisdictional Department of Women.

In support of the Churches of God In Christ, Bishop Ivery, KEAFJ, Dr. Daniels-Carter, and the Kenya East Africa First Department of Women (KEAFJDW) have an obligation and vision which incorporates three Foundational Pillar Strategies:

1. Education and Training

- · Develop Business Empowerment for Women
- 2. Ministry Initiatives and Evangelism
 - · Aid and Enhance Orphanages and Ministries

3. Medical Assistance and Nutrition

· Support Approved Medical Initiatives

Our Mission is conducted through several initiatives which include, but are not limited to supporting various Orphanages, Elderly Homes, Medical Camps, and hospital partnerships, empowering Women's Ministries, the progression of the Self-Sustainability Programs, and other initiatives.

One of our programs is the H&M Empowerment Initiative. This initiative was instituted in 2015 and is named after Pastor Hildah Kivuti & Pastor Mary Muriithi, whose passion mirrors the vision of Supervisor Carter and the KEAFJDW. As part of the Self-Sustainability program, the initiative empowers the women of Kenya who have the capability but lack adequate capital to launch a business to become self-sufficient. Selected women take part in a 3-Tier Process:

1) Education and training in entrepreneurship.

2) Funding for businesses in concentrated areas (Including raising farm animals, Horticulture, Soap Making, Beadwork, Tent/Chair rental, and growing.)

3) Loan Repayment Plan which includes reinvestment for expansion and funding for the medical hospital.

The Initiative began with 18 women and is closely monitored by Pastors Kivuti and Muriithi. As of December 31, 2021, over 2700 women have become accomplished entrepreneurs. The H&M Empowerment Initiative has proven to be a model with the potential for global success.

2021 Accomplishments Kenya East Africa First Department of Women

We are delighted to report that during the 2021 Ministry Year we accomplished all our delineated goals while intently decreeing and edifying our revelation through our historic proficiencies and endeavors. We function as a team and are devoted, motivated, and accountable. In 2021, the Lord provided the Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women more opportunities to enlarge our labor for excellence in women's ministry in spite of the pandemic! By continuing to assess the necessities in diverse areas with the aid of our Kenyan Executive Advisers, we were able to meet urgent essential needs. Our accomplishments include the following:

The Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women continues to supply capital to start women in businesses. As of December 2021, there are 2720 women participating in the KEAFJ Department of Women "Self-Sustainability" Initiatives with businesses in chicken farming, fish farming, pig farming, horticulture, soap creation, beadwork, tent making, construction, food service, and chair rentals.

Kenyan Executive Advisors continue to hold quarterly meetings in Kenya with women who participate in the "Self-Sustainability" Initiatives.

- Quarterly empowerment training sessions were held for Kenyan businesswomen.
- The annual "Support for Kenya" Prayer Shawl Initiative during the International Women's Convention was paused due to the pandemic, as a result, the shawls were in a (6) month prayer rotation in Seattle, WA. and Milwaukee, WI.
- Jurisdictional Supervisor, Dr. Valerie Daniels-Carter, hosted a virtual book review "From Pandemic to Promise" in conjunction with the "Support for Kenya" Campaign. VIP Supporters received a signed book copy and a designer prayer shawl as a special thank you. Proceeds were used to support the KEAFJ Department of Women Initiatives.
- Submitted KEAFJ Female Credential Holder Reports for the National April Call Meeting in Memphis, TN.
- Shipped PPE to aid senior homes, orphanages, and Dr. Florence Kiboi with Maria Hospital in Nairobi, Kenya.
- Aided and funded \$3000.00 to H&M Initiative participants that were hardest hit to withstand due to the Pandemic.

- Modification of the Jurisdictional Website: <u>http://cogickenya.org</u>
- Allocated funds for Thanksgiving meals to the elderly and orphanages.
- ✤ Allocated funds for Christmas meals and gifts to the elderly and orphans.
- Supplied continual support to feeding programs for the elderly and orphans.
- District Missionaries continued missionary training and instructional sessions.
- Ongoing monthly financial support was provided to the Jurisdiction aiding in orphanage expenditures and Jurisdictional Programming and Training.
- Continued monthly partnership support to Dr. Florence Kiboi, owner of Maria Hospital in Nairobi, Kenya, and lead facilitator for the Church of God In Christ Medical Clinic in Bondo, Kenya. Dr. Kiboi also aids the acute medical needs of children from Joy Valley & Shadow Mountain Orphanages.
- Partnered with T-LAB (Technology Laboratory and Professional Development Center), an organization that collaborates with the University of Michigan as an extended education and tutorial service and training for orphans around the world.

Piloted 25 students, with its success the program will allow for another 225 children to participate.

- Began construction of the T-Lab training site on the (2) plots of land purchased in 2020.
- Provided WIFI Infrastructure for T-LAB training site and funded associated fees for extended WIFI capabilities.
- Collaborated with AAA who donated 123 new laptops and 77 tablets for the T-LAB Initiative.
- T-Lab participants competed virtually with students in the United States, Asia, and Africa. Several of the students were in the top tier at the close of the competition.
- ✤ 5 Year Objective is to have 10,000 children take part in the T-LAB Initiative.

The greatest challenge we encountered was the cost of transporting items and supplies to Kenya. With the help of the Lord, aid from UPS, and our supporters, we were able to ensure the sundry needs of the Kenyan people were met.

As mentioned in our Accomplishments, the Department of Women began our Annual Project, "*Support for Kenya*" Initiative in January! All net proceeds benefit the KEAFJ Department of Women in our ongoing initiatives. It is because of your support, that we can meet our objectives and aid God's people. For this, we are so grateful. Donations to our ministry have been a blessing to countless others.

In 2022, we will maintain our concentration on establishing platforms for which the Department of Women can provide aid and resources to Kenya. We will continue to focus our attention on the pillars and curricula that highlight the ingenuity and ultimately long-term self-sufficiency, allowing the people of Kenya to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and allows the providing of medical attention to the underprivileged. In addition to training and educational enhancements for the youth, we will continue to assist in providing shelter to homeless children and the elderly, while inspiring the believers in this region to stand firm in the faith. We must continue to provide the same encouraging and instructional standard as our matriarchs lived their lives, devoted to serving God and aiding others.

We invite you to support the Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women Initiatives, as we continue to focus on "*Pursuing Conversation with God that Recalls our Testimony and Purposely Reveals A Time of Refreshing!"*

Humbly and Prayerfully Submitted,

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