

# Church of God In Christ Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women 2020 Annual Report

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## "Transforming Communities through our Godly Inspired Global Vision and Pentecostal Discipleship"

In conjunction 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. Dr. Valerie Daniels-Carter was selected by the Jurisdictional Prelate 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 they are led by the Holy Spirit. 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 carried out 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 established 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 participate 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, 2020, 905 women have become accomplished entrepreneurs. The H&M Empowerment Initiative has proven to be a model with the potential for global success.

# 2020 Achievements Kenya East Africa First Department of Women

We are elated to report that during the 2020 Ministry Year we achieved all our delineated objectives, while intently decreeing and edifying our revelation through our historic proficiencies and endeavors. We navigate as a team and are devoted, motivated, and accountable. In 2020, the Lord afforded the Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women additional opportunities to expand our labor for excellence in women's ministry despite 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 Achievements include the following:

The Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction Department of Women continues to provide capital to start women in businesses. As of December 2020, 905 women are 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.

- ❖ Held quarterly empowerment training classes for Kenyan businesswomen.
- ❖ Graduated 22 women due to the Pandemic they have not started.
- Annual "Support for Kenya" Prayer Shawl Initiative took place after a (3) month prayer rotation in Seattle, WA. Donation supporters received a designer shawl as a special thank you from the KEAFJ Department of Women.
- Submitted KEAFJ Female Credential Holder Reports for the National April Call Meeting in Memphis, TN.
- Funded the purchase of PPE.
- Partnered with Kiser, Aurora Advanced Healthcare, Jimmy Banks Academy, and UPS for shipping thousands of PPE to assist senior homes, orphanages, and Dr. Florence Kiboi with Maria Hospital in Nairobi, Kenya.
- Supported businesses that were challenged to sustain due to the Pandemic.

- Donated female hygiene and sanitary products to "Save Our Girls from Shame", a Kenyan program that focuses on the health and education of young ladies.
- Continual modification and updating of the Jurisdictional Website: http://cogickenya.org
- Allocated funds for Thanksgiving meals to elderly and orphanages.
- ❖ Allocated funds for Christmas meals and gifts to the elderly and orphans.
- ❖ The Department of Women will continue to support feeding programs for the elderly and orphans.
- Provided District Missionaries with ministerial training tools, in both English & Swahili, to utilize during missionary teaching and instructional sessions.
- Ongoing monthly financial support was provided to the Jurisdiction assisting with orphanage expenses and Jurisdictional Training Programming.
- Continued to provide monthly support to aid the partnership with 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 with the acute medical needs of children from Joy Valley & Shadow Mountain Orphanages.
- ❖ Lady Valerie Ivery hosted a "Support for Kenya" Fundraiser Campaign for her Birthday to support the KEAFJ DOW.
- ❖ 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.
- Provided WIFI Infrastructure for T-LAB.
- Collaborated with Apple who agreed to provide iPads for the T-LAB Initiative.
- ❖ Purchased (2) plots of land for the construction of the T-Lab Initiative.
- ❖ 5 Year Objective is to have 10,000 children participate in the T-LAB Initiative.
- ❖ Submitted Annual Report to *General Supervisor*, Dr. Barbara McCoo-Lewis.

The greatest challenge we encountered is 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 Achievements, the Department of Women began our Annual

Project, "Support for Kenya" Initiative in May! All net proceeds benefit the KEAFJ

Department of Women in our ongoing initiatives. It is because of your assistance, that

we can meet our objectives and help God's people. For this, we are so grateful.

Donations to our ministry has been a blessing to countless others.

In 2021, 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 toward 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 disadvantaged.

In addition to training and education, we will continue to assist in providing shelter to

homeless children and the elderly, while empowering the believers in this region to

stand firm in the faith. We must continue to provide the equivalent inspirational and

instructional standard as our matriarchs lived their lives, committed to serving God

and aiding others.

Moreover, we welcome you to support the Kenya East Africa First Jurisdiction

Department of Women Initiatives, as we continue to focus on "Our Kingdom Narrative

that Changes the World!"

Humbly and Prayerfully Submitted,

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