



**“For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.”**

**Psalm 100:5**

## **COPE Ministry**

### **August 2021 Newsletter**

#### **School is Back in Session!**

We are officially back to school and are now working through 2021 curriculum. Typical school years start in January in Kenya. It is interesting to be starting a new school year closer to the States timeline this year. With back-to-school shopping complete, the children of COPE House headed to their perspective schools. Please be praying for our students and teachers as they start a new term.

#### **Community Assistance**

The admin team in Pokot spends a significant amount of time listening to the needs of the community. There is great need in the community and usually very little that can be done to help alleviate the suffering of our neighbors. We hear their stories and take notes so if there is a time when we can help, we remember them. When Devane and Michaela are there, they will also spend time with the community members. Please always keep the whole Pokot community in your prayers.

#### **Relief Food**

There are now over 630 individuals receiving relief food every week from our program. It is important to remember these 630 individuals each represents an entire family. We estimate the Relief Food program feeds over 3000 individuals. It costs \$13 a

month to supply each person on the list with food to take home to their families. We anticipate an increase in need for relief food in the area this fall due to a poor crop year. Please consider giving towards our Relief Food program. \$13 can make a life changing difference for a family this fall.

#### **HOPE FOR COPE**

##### **Bake Sale By Landon**

A young boy from Clinton Illinois heard about the children in Pokot and wanted to help. He planned a bake sale he titled “Hope for COPE” and conducted his very own little fundraiser! Landon was able to raise over \$200 for COPE selling brownies and rice krispie treats. We are so blessed by Landon’s heart! He did something that is hard for even grownups to do; He heard about something not ok in the world, and he found a way to do something about it. He inspires us and we hope he inspires you! Thank you Landon!

#### **Volunteers Needed!**

We have several volunteer positions that need filled. Our mission is growing and we can not do it alone. These are non-board member positions that could require up to 2 to 4 hours of work a week.

**Prayer Team Leader and Members:** Prayer is one of our most coveted needs. We would like to return to having a team focused on praying for us and we need a volunteer to keep us connected. The Prayer Team leader is in charge of sending out the weekly

emails for prayer requests to the Prayer Team. Experience with computers and email is a requirement.

**Forwarding Agent:** The Forwarding Agent picks up mail once a week, deposits checks and forwards the information to the Treasurer, writes/sends out thank you cards, and is in touch with the directors while they are in Pokot. Keeps contact information up to date in our records. Computer skills a must.

**Good Samaritan Sponsorship Facilitator:** This position would involve keeping sponsor and child information up to date and being the contact between child and sponsor. Computer and organizational skills required.

If you are interested or feel called to serve alongside our mission in one of these positions, please let us know. You can send us an email at [childrenofpokot@gmail.com](mailto:childrenofpokot@gmail.com) or call our directors at 254-702-2220.

## Prayer Requests

Concerns:

Drought and crop damage throughout West Pokot

Safety for our students and teachers

Amalla Family travel preparation

New sponsors for children and partners for COPE

Praises:

Relief Food Success

Safe return of Dr. Kottemann

Wonderful recent church visits

Continued generosity of donors

## How You Can Get Involved Today

### Angel Catalog

The Angel Catalog is our online store where you can shop through some of our regular expenses and fund the costs of those things. You can buy a teacher's weekly salary, breakfast and lunch for a child for a week, medical supplies, school supplies, the costs of showing the Jesus Film, and more. This is a great way to get your children involved in giving or to give things in honor of a loved one's birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion.

Check out our Angel Catalog today!

[www.childrenofpokot.org/online-store](http://www.childrenofpokot.org/online-store)

### Amazon Smile

AmazonSmile is an option on Amazon that allows you to choose a nonprofit that Amazon will donate to when you shop online. All you have to do is add our AmazonSmile information onto your amazon account and it will automatically make contributions to our mission while you do your routine, online shopping!

Use this link to set up Children of Pokot as your charity of choice on AmazonSmile!

[smile.amazon.com/ch/37-1367560](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/37-1367560)

### Connect

Learn more about Children of Pokot and connect with us on our webpage or on social media!

[www.childrenofpokot.org](http://www.childrenofpokot.org)

Facebook: COPE Ministry

Write us a note at:

[childrenofpokot@gmail.com](mailto:childrenofpokot@gmail.com) or

PO Box 903 Lincoln, IL 62656

## **Good Samaritan Sponsorship**

Sponsor a child for \$40 a month. You will cover the child's school expenses, meals, medical costs, and uniforms. You also get to create a personal relationship with a child in the Pokot community! To learn more about sponsorship or request to become a sponsor check out our webpage or send us an email!

[www.childrenofpokot.org](http://www.childrenofpokot.org)

email: [childrenofpokot@gmail.com](mailto:childrenofpokot@gmail.com)

## **Monthly Giving**

Monthly giving can be conveniently set up to automatically withdraw from your checking account. You can easily start and stop your monthly giving from the donate page on our webpage.

## **Planned Giving**

Are you aware that you may help COPE through your will or estate planning? Your generosity would bring God's blessings to you and to COPE. To include COPE as a beneficiary, the correct address is Children of Pokot Educational Fund, P.O. Box 903, Lincoln IL 62656.

## **Prayer**

We need prayer partners that can be prayer warriors on behalf of Children of Pokot Educational Fund Ministry. Almost every newsletter has points of need in them that we would love for you to take up and cover in prayer for us. This is one of the best ways to support us from anywhere at any time.

## **Share**

Please tell others about COPE Ministry. Tell your church, family, friends, coworkers, and businesses about COPE and how they can help make a difference in the Pokot community today! It is hard for us to spread what COPE Ministry is doing by ourselves. We need your help!