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**Our Mission:** Samaritan Village exists for the purpose of implementing the Great Commission of Jesus Christ to go into all the world and preach the gospel, by providing physical, mental and spiritual care for orphaned children in Tanzania, Africa.

**Our Vision:** Samaritan Village is a private, non-profit organization established and run by volunteers to develop, expand and maintain a Christian orphanage to care for abandoned and orphaned children.

**Our Goal:** We work to reduce the number of abandoned children and the deaths of children in Tanzania by providing care for those whose parents have either died or abandoned them and who have no relatives responsible for their care. This is accomplished by providing a safe and stable Christian home environment where children are provided food, shelter, clothing, education and medical care.



### Farmer's Market Begins this Spring



The Yuba City Farmer's Market will open in May. Once again, we operate a booth every Saturday for the entire season! The booth is run by volunteers who donate their time to help raise funds and to advertise the orphanage to the public. We have a variety of African jewelry, baskets, clothing, beaded bowls, African Wood products, soapstone dishes and much more. Most of our items are brought back by volunteer teams. We also hand out brochures and share stories and pictures of what is happening at the orphanage. So, if you live in the Yuba/Sutter area, give us call and you can be part of this exciting activity.

### Prayer Requests

Visit the website for more prayer requests. Here are some things to pray for as of the publishing of this newsletter.

- Please continue to pray for the new medical clinic now that it is open.
- Pray for the continuing work with John and his new communication tool. Pray for it to open doors to help others like him throughout Tanzania .
- Pray for the team from Adventure Church who will volunteer this Summer
- Continue to pray for **SPONSORS** for **ALL** the children.
- Pray for Josephat and the staff as they plan for additional children coming to the orphanage thanks to the opening of the new dormitory.
- Pray for the new children arriving, most of whom have health issues.



### Want to Visit Samaritan Village this Summer?

A team from Adventure Church of Yuba City is planing to travel to Africa this coming July to volunteer at the orphanage. There are no special requirements to be a part of a team, just a heart for children and the willingness to serve. Ask anyone who's ever gone. . .it's a life-changing experience. *Be sure to check out the videos of past teams' visits on the website. Contact us for more information.*



### Want to have a Speaker Share at Your Church or Organization?

We have an excellent presentation deigned to share what is being done to rescue orphaned and abandoned children in Africa through Samaritan Village Orphanage. We can supply you with bulletin inserts, a promo video, brochures, posters and more. Give us a call to set up a date.

Visit [samaritanvillageorphanage.org](http://samaritanvillageorphanage.org) to Donate or Sponsor any of the children.

Tanzania, Africa

Spring 2020

25 YEARS

# SAMARITAN VILLAGE ORPHANAGE

RESCUING ORPHANED AND ABANDONED CHILDREN



## Only Eleven Children Still Need a Sponsor

Wouldn't it be great if the headline for the upcoming Summer 2020 Newsletter reads, **Every Child is Now Sponsored!**

*Sponsor a child for as low as \$20/month*

This can happen if we all just give a little. Each child growing up at Samaritan Village would love a sponsor. The children shown here are the **only** children at the orphanage without a sponsor. **Why not sponsor one of them today?** We guarantee it will change at least two lives—theirs and yours! You can read their stories and sponsor any of these children on the *website*.

### Read their Stories

Here are just two of the stories of the more than sixty children growing up at Samaritan Village.



**Sarah** February 20, 2007

She is one of ten Maasai girls brought to Samaritan Village when the "orphanage" where they were living was closed by the government. Theirs is a tragic story—too sad to publish here in its entirety. *(Read more on the website)*

Without going into detail, one of the girls escaped from the "orphanage" where they were being exploited. She was able to tell authorities what was happening to them. The girls were immediately rescued and taken to Samaritan Village. Those involved were arrested and sentenced—one to life in prison. *Anna, Elizabeth, Neema, Grace and Maria are also Maasai girls.*

*Sunday* March 19, 2013

This baby boy was found abandoned in Kisongo on May 19, 2013 just outside of the Arusha Municipality near the A to Z Mosquito Net Factory. The baby was found with bruises on his body. He was taken to the hospital where he remained for nine days before being discharged to Samaritan Village. He was given the name *Sunday* because the children said he looked just like another baby from the orphanage named *Sunday* who had been adopted.



Jonathan



Mercy



Safina



Neema



Anna



Grace



Maria



Elizabeth



Shedrack

## Pictures from Arusha



New Paving



Zanzibar Trip



Zanzibar Trip



Christmas Celebration



My First Christmas



Little Children's Day Trip

## PROJECT UPDATES

### The Chapel Remodel is Complete



The chapel was one of the first two buildings at Samaritan Village. It held about sixty people on wooden benches. The children attend chapel twice each day. (The evening chapel service is run entirely by the children.) The local villagers are also invited.

And now, it has been completely remodeled thanks to the generous donations of our supporters. As you can see it looks incredible. There is now room for over 100 people!



### The New Van Has Arrived!

As we said in our last newsletter, Josephat was able to sell the old van and purchase a newer van. The van just arrived from Japan! The orphanage now has two vans. They are used primarily to transport the children to and from school. The vans are also used to take children on a variety of field trips, pick up supplies and much more.



### New Sidewalks and Driveway are Finished

The young children now have a sidewalk that connects their side of the orphanage to the playground as well as to the older children's dorm and the chapel. In addition, the driveway from the gate through to the Medical Clinic and Upper Dorm is now completely paved as is the Medical Clinic parking lot.



### New Projects

The next two major projects include a new office/meeting complex and a storage building.

## CHILDREN'S NEWS

Here's what's been happening these last three months. . .

### Christmas at Samaritan Village

Once again Christmas was celebrated in a big way at Samaritan Village. Over eight hundred children from local orphanages and the surrounding village attended the celebration of the birth of Jesus. This year they enjoyed both a meal and a new playground!



### Zanzibar Trip

It has become a tradition for the children to take a trip to a historical place each year during Christmas Break. This year everyone traveled to Zanzibar. Zanzibar is an island off the coast of Tanzania. It is a very famous tourist destination with some of the most beautiful beaches in the world. It has been called "A Jewel in the Ocean." But, for Africans, it is also a place with a sad history. Zanzibar was the major port for the African slave trade.



### A Trip for the Little Ones

The little children enjoyed a day trip to a local amusement park. They loved the bounce houses, the rides and especially the swimming pool.



### New Year's Eve Celebration

One of the first events in the new chapel was a special New Year's Eve Service. The children and the community came together to celebrate and pray in the new year. What an incredible experience!



### Children Enjoy New Shoes

Recently, the children were all blessed with a pair of new shoes! It's always exciting to get something new, even shoes! Of course, the shoes went flying when the children were at the amusement park. (See the picture above right)



## MEDICAL CLINIC NEWS

The new Medical Clinic is going strong! Doctors and nurses are working each day to meet the needs of the children as well as members of the local community. Check out the pictures of some of the medical services available at the clinic. The Clinic is also looking for those in the medical profession to volunteer. Your stay at the orphanage is FREE and we guarantee you'll be blessed beyond belief! You'll meet a wonderful staff and meet some incredible children. Contact us through the website for more information.



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