



Ngong Catholic Student Scholarships

Education for Poor Children

— Nkaimurunya, Kenya —

Although public primary and secondary education is free in Kenya, attending school remains a distant dream for many children living in Nkaimurunya. That is because poor villagers cannot afford extra school fees, uniforms or books. For some boys and girls, the situation is even more dire. Having lost their parents to HIV/AIDS, they struggle to survive on the streets, begging or doing odd jobs to pay for a little food. Without educational opportunities, impoverished children like these can easily spiral downward, eventually falling into drug addiction or taking part in criminal activities.

Vulnerable girls are at even greater risk. They can be forced into early marriages or fall prey to abuse.

To restore hope among these struggling children in Nkaimurunya, Father Fabian Hevi, a priest with the Society of African Missions (SMA), began ministering to poor boys and girls in that community more than 20 years ago. He knows an education can raise children out of poverty and hardship, and believes the Church has a role to play in offering that opportunity. That is why he is eager to provide tuition scholarships to the neediest students in his area. These partial scholarships will give parents the support they need to send their children to Catholic school, where boys and girls will grow intellectually and spiritually.

You can be a part of that incredible mission of mercy by sponsoring a scholarship today. Please — give a needy boy or girl in Nkaimurunya the chance to pursue a brighter future with Christ!



Scholarship recipients attend local Catholic schools, where they are given the opportunity to receive the sacraments.



Executive Summary

Description

This project will provide scholarships for impoverished students to attend local Catholic primary and secondary schools.

Purpose

To empower poor children through education and the light of Christ.

Location

Nkaimurunya, a community outside Nairobi, Kenya, in the Diocese of Ngong.

Cost

\$24,000 will give 110 poor children the opportunity to attend local Catholic schools. That's approximately \$188 per student!

Highlights

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- Impoverished children in Kenya have few opportunities to receive a quality education.
- Many become entangled in dangerous activities, and others are forced to drop out of school to provide for their families.
- In the specific area served by this project, only 45 percent of children are enrolled in secondary school, and without an intervention by the Church, poverty will likely keep them from ever gaining the benefits of a quality education. (Source: National Council for Population and Development in Kenya)

IMPACT

- With your support, impoverished students will receive the opportunity to attend local Catholic schools, where their hearts and minds will be formed in Christ.
- This school year, 98 scholarship recipients will attend primary school and 12 will attend secondary school.
- An education can empower children to escape crushing poverty and become leaders in their communities.



Our Promise to You!

Donations from this campaign will be used to cover any expenditures for this project incurred through June 30, 2023, the close of our ministry's fiscal year. In the event that more funds are raised than needed to fully fund the project, the excess funds, if any, will be used to meet the most urgent needs of the ministry.

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