



# Nambale Magnet School

A home, a school and a future for children made destitute by the AIDS crisis

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We learned belatedly that the [donation link](#) on our website was not functioning - and right after our last newsletter came out, several people tried to donate. Please try again! It is working now.

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December 4, 2012

Dear Friends,

It is amazing to think that the Nambale Magnet School has just completed its fourth full year of operation. What began in January of 2009 with a "pioneer" class of 32 youngsters has now blossomed into an active residential campus with over 180 students from pre-nursery through fourth grade. Over the past four years, the School has made momentous strides in establishing itself as one of the most successful primary schools in Western Kenya.

In addition to the excellent education that the children are receiving, the School has become a source of civic pride and inspiration for all the residents of this quite poverty-stricken rural region. A number of local residents have found employment at the School as gardeners, launderers, security guards, food service employees and livestock herders. Indeed, the School is more than exceeding its founder's (Rev. Evalyn Wakhusama) goal to serve as "a beacon of hope and a symbol of development" for the people of Nambale.

The School has also progressed significantly on the path to self-sufficiency. The children now enjoy a diet that includes vegetables grown in their own gardens and greenhouse, milk from the dairy unit, fresh eggs from the poultry unit, and tilapia from the fish pond, all of which are maintained on site. And, while much of the surrounding region struggled through a recent drought, the School had an ample water supply, thanks in large part to the rooftop water catchment system that feeds two large cisterns, where rainwater can be purified and provided to the children for drinking, cooking and bathing.

All of these wonderful developments are the product of your generosity and thoughtfulness. Our charitable organization, WIKS-USA, Inc., recognizes that, without donors such as you, the children of Nambale would be subsisting in the same state of destitute poverty and hopelessness that plagued the region before the School was opened.

As stewards of your gifts, it is important to us to ensure that they are used in the best possible way at the School. We are pleased that our Kenyan partners at the School share this belief, and appreciate the importance of transparency and accountability in the use of financial resources.

As we come to the end of the calendar year with the holiday season upon us, we ask you to look into your hearts, and remember the children of Nambale. In planning your year-end gifts, please include a [donation](#) to WIKS-USA, Inc. For a more in-depth view of what is being accomplished, please visit our [web site](#). As always, we remain an all-volunteer organization with no paid employees. We work out of our own homes or businesses, pay our own way to Kenya, and keep our expenses to a bare minimum. WIKS-USA is as close to a zero overhead organization as you will find, enabling us to accomplish far more than much larger and wealthier charities. A dollar given to WIKS-USA, Inc. goes a very long way.

Please be generous, and may the joy of this holiday season be made that much sweeter by knowing that your gifts make a world of difference in the lives of these wonderful children!

Your 100% tax-deductible gift may be made [on-line](#) or by sending a check, payable to WIKS-USA, Inc., to 829 Hillcrest Road Orange, CT 06477. Thank you!

*Tom Sansone*  
Chair, Board of WIKS-USA, Inc.

**Blessings!**

*The WIKS-USA Team*