



# INTERCEDE



## *From the Field...*

### **Fredrick Kaingu in Kaloleni**

I am very much pleased to have this opportunity to write and inform you on how we are going on here. I do hope that you are going on well with your family. What has been going on here in terms of God's work is much the same as with the other months. Challenges are there but just to strengthen us.

### **Maarifa Academy**

Although parents have had difficulties in paying school fees, Maarifa Academy has been soldiering on since the beginning of this year. In fact, it continues to lead in Kaloleni. For now we have 160 students, as follows: Class 1 has 19 students; Kg3 has 34 students; Kg2 has 46 students; Kg1 has 61 students. We have 6 teachers, 2 in kg1, 2 in kg2, 1 in kg3 and 1 in class one. The other difficulty we are facing is lack of classrooms. Next year we intend to have class two. We are planning to put up two temporary classrooms for class one and two.

The government of Kenya as from June this year announced that computer classes in public and private schools is a must. The government will provide laptops for all schools but it directed that by January 2017, every school, public or private, should have a classroom with electricity.

We had planned to start a Bible class here at Maarifa in August but as I have said, this year has been difficult for parents to pay fees in good time. What I wanted was a surplus from Maarifa Academy which I intended to use to start that Bible class, but we had nothing. As I write now, out of the 160 students we have, half of them have not paid school fees.

### STANDING IN THE GAP



## From Justus Ngowa in Kilifi

Greetings in Jesus name how are you and your family? How is the Intercede board and the other brethren? Hopeful that you are all well, as the political high temperatures are slowly going down there. This side of the village we are also doing well, though we have a very severe drought. Many places in the coast have no water and both animals and people have a very difficult time.

### Maarifa Nursery

We have continued with teaching at Maarifa Nursery school although the number of children coming to school has gone down. The area has a very bad attitude towards education. When children are around 10 years of age they stop school and go to the quarries to make money for their families. So the early years of education are not taken seriously. In addition to this, drought as caused scarcity of food as farms had nothing for harvest. By the end of the term we had only 5 children. About 14 of them were unable to take their end term test. To the right is a photo of the few children taking exams. May you pray with that God may help the situation in the coming short rains?

*May God bless you all as you stretch your hands in service for Him.*

**Brother Justus Ngowa**



*...standing in the gap*



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