

PEOPLEBRIDGE



My friend Jacob, the founder of Oasis of Hope, is reporting from the Mathare slum in Nairobi, Kenya, and glorifying the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank God for keeping and supporting us at the Clark and Vahle Education Center. This month has been graced with heavy rains that have fallen across most of Kenya. Despite the fact that starvation has been a major issue in Kenya's north and other places, the country would have enough food in a few months. This month has also seen flooding in the Mathare slum.

DEMONSTRATION



We have seen anti-government protests in several parts of Kenya this month, with some of the issues being high living costs, election inequity, corruption, and inclusion in government employment and positions. These demonstrations are chaotic, which has hampered our operations at the center. The demonstrations are currently held on Mondays and Thursdays. This means that children cannot attend school on certain days, and their parents, who rely on casual employment, cannot work either. Lives are lost during demonstrations because police use force to disperse demonstrators. Please join us in praying for peace.

LIBRARY



Our library is still operational. Our librarian, Pauline Ingasha, spends four hours a day with twenty or more children, helping them with schoolwork and engaging those of school age in learning activities. This has made our center more crowded and safer for the youngsters.

COUNSELLING



Kenya is ranked fifth in Africa and ninth worldwide in terms of mental health. We are building a safe room at the center for kids, children, and community members to get psychological counseling. Jacob had the opportunity to enroll in a counseling course, which he is still working on. If everything goes as planned, Jacob will graduate in December. The Mathare community is already feeling the effects of this, and Jacob is confident that God will open doors for him to settle his tuition dues before his final examinations in April.

PRAYER ITEM

In our center, there are needy kids who want to go to school but are unable to do so since their parents cannot afford to pay for their tuition. Despite our best efforts, their parents are unable to raise the necessary funds for their children's schooling. We pray that God will bless us with people who can assist us with this need.



**We are grateful for your support.
God's blessings be upon you.**