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Location: **Tuum, KENYA**

Mission: **Church-based community development and outreach**



While sitting in Ireland writing this month's bulletin, it is good to reflect on the wider aspects of life in Kenya. The country has had an exceptional harvest this year as the quantity of rain has been above expectation. Some people have managed to harvest two crops and the cost of some food products has fallen. However, in anticipation of the inevitability of future drought, planning needs to commence now. Some small-scale milk producers located close to urban hubs now demonstrate an attitude of forward thinking by preparing animal fodder at a time of plenty to supply their need when grass is less plentiful. By taking this action now, milk yield should remain consistent even if grass is less abundant next year and prices should remain stable.

In Samburu North some animal rustling continues but better co-ordination by government agencies has resulted in a higher recovery rate of stolen animals. Improved security means people and communities can plan more effectively. Our adult training seminars in Tuum often focus on encouraging better planning for foreseen and unforeseen events and we ask participants to come expecting the teaching to lead to change in heart, soul, mind, and action.



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The secondary school year has now ended with only examination students permitted on campus. This creates an extended holiday period and during this time we encourage those students who are supported by the SAA programme to become involved in work programmes and further study. Our FOCUS interns are instrumental in supporting this work in both Tuum and Wuaso Rongai and they also help organise fellowship meetings for the students to nurture them in the Christian faith. The FOCUS team work well together and are an example to the students, other young people and wider community of living out the Christian faith and resisting forces of evil which are so prevalent in local culture.



Prayer Points:

- Pray that ongoing land issues in the Mt Nyiru area are resolved by committed and just negotiation.
- Pray that students would adopt a positive attitude to work and study during the holiday period. (school recommences 7th January!)
- Pray for Stephen and Angelina as they plan their return to Kenya after home assignment on 22nd November.
- Pray that the Name of Jesus will be honoured by all those who participate at the youth camps planned for 10th – 20th December.