

# Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

## Dear Supporters of Walindwa, EBCK, and EKHS:

The Year of Our Lord 2017 has indeed been one of great blessings for our kids in Kenya. We write this letter in humble awe and praise for the work that is being done by God and made possible by you and your generosity.

First, the physical growth: In 2017 we were able to finish the girls' and boys' dorms at Elma Kamonong High School (EKHS); build and equip the Dominguez Family Science Building; construct a building that serves as a dining room, meeting room, and hopefully future church; add a chicken coop (a.k.a. poultry pavilion); provide solar power to all buildings through the Harriett Richmond Solar Array, and add a new solar powered water pump to our well. That this was accomplished is only proof that "All things are possible through God."

Second, but most importantly, the children: We now have 64 children from pre-school to college/university, 62 of whom are sponsored (new children arrive regularly, so we are always looking for sponsors!). We strive to provide a family atmosphere with emotional and physical support for our kids until they can join Kenyan society with a job and career. As a family, we expect them to return and help their younger brothers and sisters.

All the children are healthy, loved and cared for, most for the first time in their lives. We are able to provide eggs and milk from our chickens and cows and grow much of our other food on site. The children participate in the care and harvesting of their food supply. We want our kids to learn to serve the less fortunate as a way to thank God for their blessings and are working on outreach to the community.

Finally, the future: On a recent visit by the Village Church of Rancho Santa Fe, plans were started to provide a library to help both teachers and students, including hard copy books and a fully electronic library facility.

As you can see, we have much to be thankful for. It is stunning what God can accomplish with the love and support of a few souls like you. Thank you so much from Walindwa, the EBCK board in Kenya, and the children whose lives are being changed.

Yours in Christ,  
Keith Edwards and the Walindwa Board of Directors



*We ask for prayers for one of our partners, Marsh Weller, who is on hospice. He has made several trips to Kenya and is called Babu (grandfather) by the kids. He is pictured here with Mercy, one of his sponsored children.*



*Walindwa is humbled to have been chosen by Rev. Ray Sparling as the charity to honor his late wife, Joyce Brakenbury Sparling. We extend our sympathies to Ray and his family and thank all who have donated to Walindwa as a tribute to Joyce.*



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## Letter from The President

Walindwa has been so blessed in 2017, our cup overflows! We couldn't have done it without your continued faithful gifts, love and support.

Our most successful project is our child sponsorship program which is the source of many heart-warming stories. On my first trip to Kenya in 2006, I was accompanied by Dr. Carol Saunders, a former pediatrician and a member of Rancho Bernardo Community Presbyterian Church. On that trip she connected with a young boy named Henry. I remember her fondly listening to his heart as she did a medical examination. When we started our child sponsorship program in 2011, she was the first one to sign up as a sponsor - for Henry, whose heart had touched hers. Henry was an excellent student who finished top of his high school class and went on to receive a partial scholarship to university. Fast forward to September 2017 and a major milestone: Henry's graduation from the University of Nairobi with a degree in education, with an emphasis on Swahili and History! As Henry considers his future, he knows he is also drawn towards becoming a human rights attorney, in order to help the voiceless as it says in Isaiah 1:17, "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow." Dr. Carol feels blessed to have been able to support Henry thus far and looks forward to seeing where God will lead him. You may view Henry's articulate and moving testimony, on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/qmzPnfcQgXY>



Over the last several years, Walindwa and EBCKK have partnered to build, staff and run a Christian high school on our campus - Elma Kamonong High School (EKHS). Within the past week, the staff and students celebrated the graduation of its first class of high school seniors and I'm pleased to share with you some pictures of the event.

Yet another milestone, yet another blessing. God is always good; we must constantly rejoice, praise and thank Him.

Together in Christ,

Jill Weller, President/CEO



*In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish.*

*- Matthew 18:14*