

Report of the Trustees for the year ending 31st March 2024

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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

To promote the Christian faith by showing and demonstrating God's love through practical action to:

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**Relieve poverty,
Advance education,
Improve and promote the health of the Kenyan people.**

Annual Report of the Trustees 2023-2024

Chair's Report

It is a pleasure to present the Annual Report of the trustees to the supporters of our charity at the end of the financial year. I am pleased to say God has provided for all our needs again and BBK have enough funds for at least one more year. Our accounts have been positively examined and show a healthy balance (see examiners sheet).

With Margaret Hall retiring as Treasurer BBK tried unsuccessfully to find a new treasurer, so BBK decided to make the post easier by sending out money only once a year to Mothers' Vision (MV) and Jesus Healing Ministry (JHM). Therefore £20,000 each was sent out to JHM and MV in May 2023. This reduced the work load considerably. In February 2024 the exchange rate went up considerably and was starting to fall so the trustees decided to send out another large sum of money so the centres would benefit before it went down any further. £20,000 was sent to Mothers' Vision and £20,000 to Jesus Healing Ministry. This should last them over 20 months with the remaining money they had from May 2024.

In October the trustees changed titles so I could move over into the treasurer's seat. Margaret Hall became secretary, Rose Elloitt chairperson.

We thank Caroline Warren for initiating and continuing the Global Giving <https://goto.gg/53201> which enables her and her family to fundraise in Singapore and all around the world. We thank her also for the up keep of the web-site and overseeing the Barani Primary School and Village Project.

The last visit to Kenya was in March /April 2023. Four adults, Maureen and Jim Nevitt, Caroline and Antony Warren with their children Alice and Matilda. The trustees received a report from the trip and a number of decisions were made. The Gates of Joy is now totally self-sufficient so it was decided to give them a lump sum of £6000 as a nest egg and say our fond farewells.

Within the money sent to MV was £3000 to feed the village 3 times in the next year at £500 for each village, Barani and Pentagon. We would like to thank Acorn Project for their continual support of £2000 towards this cost. BBK give out food parcels to the most vulnerable people in the village. Approximately 65 families receive £17.50 worth of food. Barani village has also received funds to provide, school fees for 8 very poor children, school uniforms, clothes, sanitary wear, mattresses, emergency medical needs and the rent for two families.

We would like to thank the Rotary, Soul Kitchen (Bethany City Church) and all our sponsors for their continual support, it is gratefully received. The charity would not exist without all our volunteers and I thank each and every person who dedicates their time and energy to raise funds to provide for those who need our help in Kenya. I personally would like to thank Margaret Hall for being treasurer and now our secretary. To Rose Elloitt who is now our Chairperson, to Maureen Holland, Moira Walker and Margaret Neatham for their commitment and dedication as trustees.

This year BBK has managed to look after 46 children in our Centres with accommodation, food, clothes, medical assistance, education and friendship. The charity has been able to spread its wings and establish a close relationship with the villages providing, food parcels, school uniforms and medical support. Please see the 'Report of Achievements' for a more detailed account of the work of BBK. Our God has guided us through this last year with such rewarding results. We are His hands, BBK is His Charity. Thank you God for being in charge.

Maureen Nevitt

Report of Achievements 2023 -2024

Gates of Joy – Kilifi

BBK continued to support the Gates of Joy with food, medical treatment and education to the value of £6000 this year. The land is producing crops and pastures for the livestock. Rearing chickens is their new project with the hope of feeding themselves and the poor in the neighbouring village.

A sewing machine was bought for Mercy as she expressed an interest in becoming a seamstress. All children are doing well. The Gates of Joy is now self-sufficient and we have now said our fond farewells.

Mothers' Vision

Most of the children at Mothers' Vision are now sponsored. Money was sent out for the whole year for food, basic essentials and education. Damaris the manager is looking after the children at the centre and the poorest people in the villages. BBK has sent her enough money to feed the widows and poorest people three times this year. She buys and distributes food and essentials to two villages, Barani and Pentagon.

The trustees decided to sponsor Jumaa over the next three years at university. A total of £939, per year depending on exchange rate.

The children had a fun day at the hotel in April and a wonderful Christmas party at a local hotel where they had a meal, fun, swimming in the pool and games.



Giving out food parcels worth approx £17 each in the Barani and Pentagon village.

Jesus Healing Ministry (JHM)

The new JHM home is perfect for the 26 children living there. This modern accommodation within its half acre of land brings security and comfort to children who have no parents or have one parent who is very poor or sick. All the children are doing well. Ten children are in their last year of secondary school and will be thinking of their futures in 2025. BBK hope to be able to send one or two to university or may be college. The land is producing crops and fruit trees for sale and for themselves. A hen house was built this year and 60 chickens are being looked after by the children. Eggs are produced for sale to the local people.

A shop has been built in the grounds to sell school equipment and unwanted second hand goods donated by visitors.

Two water butts are now collecting water from the roofs for watering the crops.



JHM children in front of their home



Trees and crops grown at JHM

Barani Primary School (BPS)

Betty has been an enormous help to the children at her school in Barani Village. BBK has sent her sufficient money to buy school uniforms for over 350 poor children. The children receive instant dignity for looking very smart. Food, clothes, underwear, shoes, toothpaste and brushes, soap, school equipment and fees have been paid for the poorest children. During the visit Caroline gave out Sanitary parcel to over 100 children. Using a video link she taught the children how to use the reusable towels. BBK hopes to provide more sanitary parcels, for the school and encourage the production of sanitary wear in the future.



New school uniforms for the poor in Barani village

Betty has also organised medical care for those who couldn't afford to pay for their treatment in her village. Damaris and her team have also helped the needy in Pentagon Village with food, clothes and medical assistance.

University Students

BBK has two university student, Moses from JHM who graduated with a upper second degree this year. Jumaa at MV who is doing a degree in engineering and Hatson at JHM who is in his second year doing a BA degree in Education at St. Paul's University Niarobi.

George at JHM is doing a 2 year course to become an Electrician. Penine is doing a computing course and Federnand is doing a mechanics course. Topister is at catering college and also looking for work,



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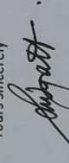
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Yours sincerely


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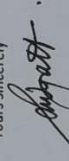
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