

Dear Friends,

Greetings to All of You in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is always my pleasure to write to you and to inform you of our growth and progress in our daily duties of availing medical services to the local Maasai communities. I have come up with this short update to let you know that we are fine and kicking and that we are not lost in the middle of South Western Kenya.

We have been blessed this year with great things and we are grateful to God for His Continued Grace and favor. We have been busy for the better part of this year, in reaching out to the local communities and creating awareness on HIV/Aids and general health practices. Since the beginning of this year, 12,441 people have been sensitized on HIV/Aids issues and 984 people having been diagnosed, tested and counseled for HIV/Aids. With the increasing number of people knowing their HIV status, over 600 People Living with HIV/Aids (PLWHAs) have been enrolled into our care and support Program with 42 HIV Patients having been started on ARVs.

General routine Clinical Care for our daily out patients is increasing with approximately 3,500 patients accessing medical services from our 2 Health Centres and 5 Health Clinics on monthly basis. Prevention of Mother To Child Transmission (PMTCT) coupled with child immunization Clinics for Under Five are being successfully conducted.

In order to enhance the quality of health services being availed to the general public, our medical staff have successfully attended series of trainings to expand on their medical skills and knowledge thanks to Community Habitat Finance (CHF), Centre of Disease Control (CDC) and South East Christian Church and many others. In addition to staff capacity building, CMF has continued to receive funding from CDC through Community Habitat Finance (CHF) a Capacity Building Organization. From this support CMF has been in a position to scale up its Laboratory Services, Care to HIV Patients and strengthened CMF working systems.

My team and I love hosting guests at our Health facilities. Beginning early this year, we were honored and privileged to host several friends and supporters from the United States of America. The visiting Friends and Partners were from namely:

- *The Christian Church of Thousand Oaks (CCTO).
- * The South East Christian Church (SECC).
- * Mission in 'Africa 06'.
- * Baylor University.

These Friends brought a lot of blessings and encouragement to our lives apart from bringing their financial and material support in aid of our HIV/Aids Programs. We thank God for these friends.

Spiritual growth and development has also been realized among the Local Pastors and youths trained on Community Health Evangelism (CHE) Lessons/Frameworks.

I once again thank you Friends and supporters of CMF-NHM Programs for your overwhelming support because through your support, encouragement and prayers, NHM has been in position to put a smile and impact a positive difference in the lives of many Kenyans.

May God abundantly bless you as you continue promoting His Kingdom on earth.

With Kind Regards

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