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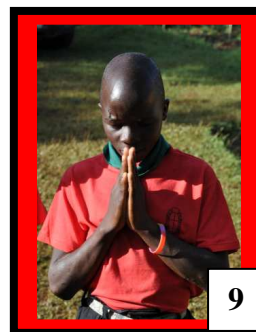
Child and Family Restoration Outreach

"The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone" Psalm 118:22

A prayer letter from Dan and Patty Schmelzer, Kisumu, Kenya

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Capstone Camp 2011... In pictures



Praises, Prayers and Recent News

1. Pray for the 21 boys who attended camp and now have returned to their families.
2. For continued and expanded donor support so that we might expand the ministry and reconcile more street boys with their families and with their Lord.

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Picture Descriptions

1. Each year we hold a one week camp at our Transition Center. The objective of this camp is to strengthen a select group of boys, spiritually, emotionally and relationally. The camp includes instruction, scouting activities and games. It concludes with a Parents Day. Here all gather for a group picture after the Parents Day. 19 of the 21 sets of parents/guardians attended.
2. After instruction on Baptism, prayer and other spiritual topics the boys have an opportunity to choose to be baptized on Friday morning. Here Dan baptizes Moses Odhiambo.
3. On Thursday, all the boys conduct a street cleaning in Mbale. Using hand-made brooms, they spend the morning engaged in this community service project.
4. Scouting is a critical aspect of the Camp. We have engaged two scout trainers who spend the entire week—day and night—with the boys at the Camp. Here they are practicing their various marches, scout promise and marching before the Saturday program.
5. Boys love competitive games. Each day they enjoy a number of unique team building games. Here they engage in an intense game of tug-of war.
6. Sack races are also a favorite, especially for those who have not experienced it before. Team competition was fierce and fun.
7. The theme of the camp this year was “To us a Son is given.” From Isaiah 9:6. We chose this theme because the camp this year was held in December and it coordinated with Christmas. It was not only a message centered in the gift of the Christ but also a subtle message for parents about their own son.
8. This year we asked one special boy to come back to camp to act as a “big brother” and mentor to the boys. Maxwell passed through the Transition Center two years ago and is now in his second year at Kaimosi High School.
9. All week the boys are taught and are asked to pray before meals, morning and evening. Here Titus Aseka leads the boys in prayers before the Saturday Parents Day Program begins.

We give a special thanks to the Swayne family from Hartford, Conn. for sponsoring the cost of the Camp this year. It is truly a privilege to be part of a ministry that is changing lives and families. God bless each and every one of our supporters who give generously so that Capstone Ministries can continue rescuing, redeeming and reconciling street children with their families.

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