



Dear Friends,

I am Samuel Waithaka the pastor of Deliverance Church Kiserian, where we minister to your sponsored child at our centre called Deliverance Church Kiserian Child Development Centre. Our church is in Kajiado County in Kenya. I would like to let you know that we appreciate the good work you are doing in supporting Peris in our centre.

The community is composed of those in poverty and some who are not. It is only a very small percent of those who are not in poverty who identify themselves with the church. The large numbers of those who heed to the Word of God are usually the poor. The church is composed of peasant farmers, casual workers, house helps and small business people, who are in need and are not able to help others.

Through this centre a good number of people have benefited and their lives have been transformed for better. They are able to testify of the goodness of the Lord in their lives. This being our vision, we give God all the glory. In this centre we have a good number of young people who hail from poor family backgrounds, and are coming up well as servant leaders and we have high hopes in their good success. I can proudly say we have large number of children and youth whom we have mentored, and their lives are different and they can be relied on in the church and by the community at large.

As a Church, we do value the Sponsor-Child relationship established through letter writing. Whenever children receive a letter they are always excited. The children enjoy letter writing sessions because this gives them time to interact with their beloved sponsor. It helps the children in building self-esteem and also in learning how to read and write English since this is the language that they usually use. Letters also expose the child to what happens around the world as sponsors share personal information as well as the information about where they live. Receiving a letter is like receiving love from their sponsor, and children know that someone values them. For some children, this is the first time they know they are loved and valued, and it makes a big impact in their lives. I hope you will remember and write to Peris often.

Finally I would like to say that it is more blessed to give than to receive and it is our prayer that one day this child shall enjoy that blessing of being a giver. My prayer and our prayer is that God will honour this prayer that the children we support shall succeed in everything, spiritually, physically, socially and that they will have financial freedom in future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your great concerns for Peris.

In Christ,

Rev Samuel Waithaka



Dear Friends,

My name is Pastor Roberto Hernandez Moreno, a partner with Compassion International in Child Development centre called Mahtanil yu'un Dios Student centre. We minister to your sponsored child. Thank you for your sponsorship of Juan. I am also the pastor of the National Presbyterian Church of Mexico called "The New Jerusalem." The church and the centre are located in the town of Sacun Cubwitz, municipality of Chillón, Chiapas, Mexico.

Receive my deepest gratitude, for your help and support. In our town (it is rather embarrassing to say it, but the statistics express it) alcoholism, drug addiction, prostitution, and insecurity are very high. Our children develop in an environment of unemployment and poverty. The children are very venerable in all these situations.

But in the darkness, the light is brighter and here the Compassion centre is a guide and refuge for the girls and boys. Before they had no hope or there was no way to strategically help them. Now our community has the centre and the children have found a place where they receive attention, and where they are motivated in a healthy way. We feel very joyful, because it is now a year since the centre opened. Many of the sponsored children now know how to sing and read the Bible. The centre has given us big experiences of faith, love, and perseverance, and also the children are encouraged for much spiritual growth.

I have been able to see the children and talk about their personal and family problems, and I think if the centre did not exist, it would be very difficult for the sponsored children to find a place to express themselves and to be helped. We believe this generation is taking on principles and Christian values, and that they will be the ones to teach the next generation of girls and boys.

I am very thankful for the letters that sponsors send to the children, as they give an immense happiness to our little ones and also the security that there is someone who thinks of them and is concerned for them. Through their letters they feel encouraged to continue forwards. Please write Juan letters as it makes each child so happy to receive mail.

We ask you to continue praying to God for our centre children. Thank you for your excellent collaboration and contribution to liberating them from their spiritual, economic, social and physical poverty, in the name of Jesus.

May the Lord continue to greatly bless you and all your family!

Pastor Roberto Hernandez Moreno