

# CHILDREN'S GARDEN HOME AND SCHOOL

*A place for all*

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Every CHILD is a different kind of flower and all together, make this world a beautiful GARDEN!

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## Introduction

January has marked the beginning of another beautiful year full of God's blessings and greater hope for the children who have already lost hope in life.

Seeing children have a brighter future ahead and

their lives becoming better on daily basis is our paramount purpose and we couldn't ask for anything more.

The tiny curve of happiness that forms on every child's mouth when they are excited

gives us the joy we look for in life and our happiness lies in seeing them happy, fulfilled, realizing their purpose & managing their lives as they become wonderful people and leaders in the society.

### ◆ Director's Remarks



Daddy Moses  
Founder and Director  
Children's Garden Home  
and School

*Happy New Year!*

*It is my sincere hope that you are all well in this new year and that God has been good to you all and that He has showered you with his blessings, joy, happiness and good health.*

*This month has been a great one, the home has been running smoothly, children have settled back in their classes well after a 2months holiday and I take this opportunity to appreciate all of you who have made it possible for the home to run smoothly by providing food, clothes, financial support, spiritual nourishments, moral support and every other support that you have accorded us. We assure you that all your support is not in vain and that altogether we are making good progress in improving the livelihood of these little angels.*

*I also take this chance to appreciate all of you who have taken part in the development of the school both physical and through financing the school project. We have seen tremendous improvement since the school started in 2009 and this year we make our 8th year in operation and the 5th National examination to be done. We look forward to a great academic improvement from the students as most of the performance determining factors are already in place thanks to your generosity.*

*This year just like all our past years, we are looking forward to your continued support as this project is majorly sustained by your support. Thank you, God bless you as we continue taking care of these beautiful children He entrusted to us.*

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### ◆ School

After two whole months, schools resumed on 4th January 2016. This is the longest holiday children have ever had.

Excitement filled the air as the opening day was marked with a lot of cleaning here and there to remove the dust and cobwebs that almost

started forming over the long holiday.

After the cleaning the students and pupils assembled for the official school opening and speeches were given by the teachers and the Daddy Moses.

Daddy Moses said that he was hoping better performance as now



*Students back to class after opening*

the students do not have any excuse not to perform and he finished by wishing the students all the best.

The following day the school kicked off through the opener exams which are normally done at the beginning of every term to ensure that students do not forget

about their books over the holiday.

It is also during this month that the school had its election and Davis Onyango) Form Four) emerged a winner as the President of the school. We wish him all the best in his era.

The form ones joined during the second week of the school opening and we now have a class of 30 students from one both from the home and

from the surrounding community.



Davis Onyango -  
School President  
giving a speech

- story by Dickson Mutisya; Form 2

## ◆ Events

### ***From a small lab to a big lab***

We had been suffering from a laboratory problem since the year 2009. The students had a hard time since they had a small laboratory which they could not fit in all of them.

The students were doing poorly in the sciences only because the laboratory was a great problem to them which also lacked the necessary apparatus and chemicals.

Now the school has a big laboratory built by the Scania East Africa limited. They offered their love to us and the big laboratory can now hold a large class of 35 students while doing experiments.

The construction started in late 2016 and the commissioning and opening of the new lab took place on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017. The lab was officially done by Mr. Per the Managing Director (Scania East Africa Ltd.



Previous lab room



## A place for all

We would also like to thank the Scania East Africa Limited for their generous donation of Computers to the School we are all very excited for an opportunity to learn and familiarize ourselves with computers.

- Story by Lucy & Lorna CGNN



Current lab with a preparatory room and an office

## Lockers and Chairs



Classes early 2016 with desks



Class in 2017 with lockers and chairs

The Mikono Midogo Moyo Mkubwa Foundation through mom Erika donated more seats and lockers for the form 3 and 4 and now the whole school has sets of seats and lockers from form one to form four.

The classes look lovely and we can now keep our books and stationeries safely without fear of them getting stolen. The seats are also very comfortable and one is able to concentrate more.

Unfortunately, even with all the classes getting lockers and

chairs, the form fours are not able to use theirs as their class is too squeezed to fit in the sets for everyone and therefore they are forced to continue using their old desks.

We are happy to have received the seats and lockers and we will definitely work hard in our studies and also take care of them so that our younger brothers and sisters can use them when they also join high school.

- story by Dickson Mutisya CGNN



*"A tree without roots will not stand"*

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## ◆ Sports

After it was discovered that the school only had one sport played for a long time that is football; a new sport was introduced this month so that those who cant play football can have another sport to play.

The new sport in Garden is now Basketball and in the aim of making the sport a success, the nets have already been placed and the pitch is half-way done. The game has really excited many both boys and girls and our teachers too are having fun joining in the game after classes.

We already have a new team for the school going by the name CG Basketball team. We had basketballs donated by LongRen company.

As much as this game is exciting to everyone and we have a team already in place, our main problem is that we don't know how to play the game effectively with the rules of the game so all we do is dribble the ball and shoot. We wish we could get someone who can teach us how to play well so that we can join the competitions like the footballers do. – story by Isaacson CGNN



## ◆ Profile

The only Rapper in the game

IsaacSon Arabu was born on 18<sup>th</sup> June 1999 in the eastern part of Kenya. He was brought up by both parents till a point when the parents could not take care of him due to financial constraints as they both did not have a source of income . He was taken to MULLY CHILDREN FAMILY (MCF) where he schooled until he was 11 years old. Due to some problems he was brought to CHILDRENS GARDEN HOME (C.G.H) in the year 2010 when he was in class six.

After he came to (C.G.H) he started doing comedy and caught the attention of a lot of people. He later turned to rapping in the year 2013 and interacted with artists like Anthony Maina who is a Bongo Artist and started working with him but his love for Hip Hop was undying so they could not work together and that led him to compose and release his first song “VIBES IN MY HEAD” which he featured Davis Onyango in the year 2014.

In the year 2016, he was recognized as the best Hip-Hop/Rapper artist in the School. He has composed 12 hip hop songs which he has performed by himself and 7 others that he has featured different artists like Job Bino, Victor Kibe, Dominic Mutiso and many more.

He wants to be one of the best Hip-hop artists in the world and would one day like to work with artists like Drake and Lil Wayne. His mentor is Kendrick Lamar who is now the best hip-hop and rapper artist in the world.



- story by Anthony CGNN



## ♦ Challenges

- ⇒ Food remains to be a major challenge in the home as it is a basic need required on daily basis.
- ⇒ We still need one more classroom that can be used by the form fours in order to avoid congestion in class and make the class more conducive for learning.
- ⇒ The science laboratory requires lab stools for the students to use as the chairs available are short since they are meant for lockers. The lab stools are little higher which enables to see the teacher as he/she illustrates at the front.

The water pump challenge we had highlighted last month was addressed by Mikono Midogo Moyo Mkubwa Foundation through supporting us with funds to repair the cables and the pump is now working well. We now have water throughout. Thank you MMMM for your quick response.

## ♦ Conclusion

January started and ended well and we are very grateful for your wonderful support that you have accorded us throughout the month. We look forward to greater things in the whole of 2017, transforming lives and giving hope to the OVCs living in our community.

We may not all at go eliminate poverty but through empowering the children from such backgrounds, together we can help the situation.

Thank you very much for your continued support. We look forward to working more with you.

God bless you.