

# AN OPEN HEART

## The Imani Newsletter



Imani Rehabilitation Agency is a registered non-profit organization in Kenya working with children who are:-

- Abandoned
- Orphaned
- Children of imprisoned parents
- Lost and found children
- Children from early marriages
- Physically and Sexually abused children

### Imani Vision

Imani shall endeavor to improve the situation of orphaned and vulnerable children providing care and protection, guide the reintegration process into society and address the factors leading to their situation.

### Imani Vision

To contribute to a society in which all children will be able to live a dignified existence with equal and just access to future opportunities in life

Welcome to our first edition of An Open Heart. We are hoping that it will be the first of many that you will enjoy reading and catching up on all the Imani news.

2018 saw Mama Faith our director in Italy again with Maxwell for 2 months. A highlight of their time there was a meeting with Pope Francis. The operations so far have been successful. In December, Maxwell was even seen riding a motor bike, but there are more operations needed in 2019. Any support you can give will be a big



help for Maxwell, as he grows to be a fine young man.

In August, there was the walk to Meru, finishing on the 17<sup>th</sup>. We walked 286 kilometers. Including the celebration, it took **8 days** to complete, but we were busy with the preparations and fund-raising activities for it all year.

In the end we weren't able to raise all the money we need to build the Home for the Abled-Differently. So 2019 will see more fund-raising for this very significant project.

A detailed prospectus of this project is available for those who are interested.

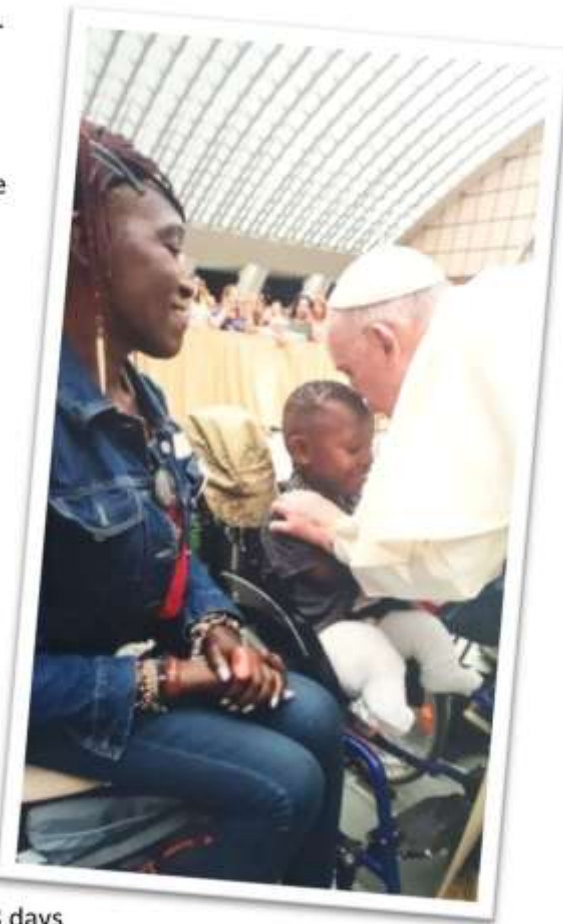
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We finished off the year celebrating Nyamu's Graduation as an engineer with honors... A happy end to years of hard work for him



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2019 so far has been a busy year for new arrivals. Seven abandoned babies under the age of 2 months have joined group

1. They are all lovely and wonderful and need all the care we can give them but we are in need of help with the special milk formula they need. Each day they need 10,000/= worth of this milk formula to grow healthy and strong. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

In total the baby house now has 78 children.



At Imani B and Ngong all the children are well, and are now back at school after their one week, mid-term break at home. Eight of our children have graduated to Form 1 this year and came home happy to share their new school experiences

Two lost and found children who were brought to us by the police have been successfully reunited with their parents, a good result.

At Imani B and Imani Ngong we have been busy getting our students settled into school. These early school years are so important for laying a strong foundation for the rest of their lives.



We have received two new milking cows which is a big help for our milk supplements from the babies

The caregivers all had training sessions in Hygiene for Children, Childcare, and Commitment. They were good and a lot of useful information was passed on.

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the Ministry of Home  
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Heritage.

At Malindi we started off the year with the official dance competition. It was a serious affair with independent judges brought in. Mum's team won fair and square with almost no complaints.

We have been going ahead with the project for the Aabled-Differently. The plan is to start with the Clinic and Therapy block this year, but first we have to raise the money we need. We are targeting corporate sponsors and schools. God willing in the end we will have the money we need and a network of friends and sponsors to support us while we build, but at the present it is a lot of work. For now, we have a few bricks so that is a good place to start while we are waiting. It is a bit like asking The Lord to give us today our daily bricks.



Volunteers are a big help for us, especially in the Baby house with all the new Group 1 arrivals. So far this year we have had 24 volunteers. They have come to us from Kenya and from all over the world, there have been 8 from Spain, 3 from Brazil, 1 from France, 1 from Canada and 13 Kenyans.

We have a lot of new programs coming up with the babies and at Malindi and we are looking for more volunteers. So if you know anyone who would like to come and help tell them to contact us at [imanikids.org-volunteers](mailto:imanikids.org-volunteers)

Looking ahead; the 10<sup>th</sup> of April is Malindi Prison feeding day. We will be cooking for 1000 people including inmates and guards, so we are aiming at 3000 chappos. It is a big task and we are looking for help in purchasing the food. If you can offer any help it will be appreciated.

Preparations are already underway for a walk in Malindi town on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November. It should be a good morning. It is a short walk. Only 5.5 Km.

We are still trying to collect all the Imani stories together so if you have any send them to [info @imanikids.org](mailto:info@imanikids.org) Attention Imani Stories. We are looking to include some of these stories and old pictures in upcoming editions of An Open Heart, so any stories you have please send them in.

Looking forward to being in contact with you soon.

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**If you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt only love-  
Mother Teresa**