

# EASTER, WE CELEBRATE

Hello friends,

It is yet another Easter season. This far we have come by the grace of God and we are glad for what the Lord has done to the entire Mully Children's Family (MCF) in providing for our needs as well as the general well being of all who are under the MCF umbrella.

One of the most important things in our lives is to have good health together with your family and those around you. This is the greatest hope that can be cherished among many people, tribes and nations of the world. There are so many things that keep coming daily; dreams and visions of a better tomorrow for our people and even ourselves. Nonetheless, the world has become a small village and each time you pursue to pray for peace and change of many things in our lives especially the economic and climatic changes, then you realize that there is one thing that we need from each other, that is peace, love and unity.



*Daddy Mulli with kids*

As we celebrate this Easter season and as we reflect on the love of the Lord through the sacrifice of His only begotten son, Jesus Christ, we have a reason to smile and to be happy. We have a way to salvation and eternal life. Jesus gave all unto us through death on the cross. It is time we too think of our giving to Christ through loving those around us so as to make a difference in the life of someone else.

MCF is committed to the rescue and rehabilitation of orphans, destitute, abandoned, neglected, rescued child laborers and vulnerable children among others. It is against this background that Fredrick Njuguna Susan has just been rescued by MCF from deplorable conditions. He joins thousands of other children under the care of MCF. Prior to his rescue, he was living with his elderly grandmother after the demise of his mother and younger sister in 2002 from HIV infection. Life was hard enough.



*Fredrick's first day in MCF*

Food and shelter was a luxury. Fredrick is affected and infected by HIV/AIDS. It was a great challenge accessing Anti-Retroviral drugs due to the long distance of over 100 km from their home in Machakos to the hospital in Nairobi.

Fredrick sat for the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education last year and scored 287 out of the possible 500 marks. He however, was not able to continue with education due to financial constraints and his health status. He was thus referred to MCF by a hospital in Nairobi. Fredrick is now able to access food, shelter, clothing, medical care, protection, love and education free of charge. As we celebrate Easter, a new dawn has come into Fredrick's life, who aspires to become a pilot, as he is now a happy child.

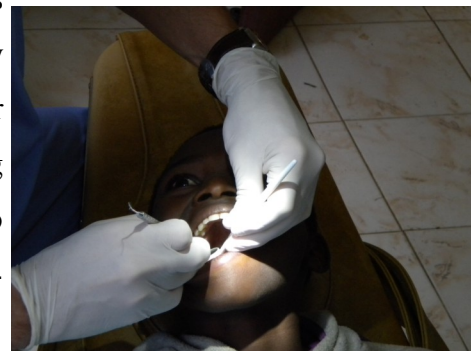
MCF is pleased to share our joy with you. The long rains have yielded a bumper harvest and therefore majority of our people have sufficient food for consumption. We continue to receive rain in MCF. River Thika has filled up to the brim and the dams are filled to capacity. Planting has begun in earnest in MCF Yatta both in the greenhouses as well as the open field. The climate change project under implementation is proving an impeccable undertaking worthy the effort. We would like to ask for prayers that these trees will grow and survive the harsh weather conditions that grip the land so that this will be a learning centre for everyone from our community as well as bring about great climate

change using the MCF model. More than 6000 trees have been planted in MCF Yatta with another 11,000 being distributed to Yatta district and the neighboring districts over the last two months.





The first quarter of the year was graced by over 120 visitors and volunteers. MCF greatly appreciates the work done by the different volunteers who come to offer their free expertise and services. We would like to recognize the presence of several medical practitioners consisting of pediatricians, dentists, opticians, gynecologists, family doctors, pharmacists and nurses from USA and Canada. They voluntarily attended to over 2500 sick children and people from both MCF and the surrounding communities. People of all ages walked for distances as far as 5 to 20 kilometers to the MCF clinic which is the only clinic that is offering free medical services in the area.



MCF schools continue to shine in academics and co-curricular activities. During the Yatta Divisional Education Day held on 26<sup>th</sup> March at a nearby public school, MCF scooped more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the awards given in all subjects. MCF was awarded with nine trophies for best performance in nine subjects in Yatta district and one trophy for best overall performance. This involved the presentation of awards to last year's Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education heroes/heroines, both candidates and teachers.



MCF Primary and Secondary School emerged winner in the Ndalani Zonal Soccer competitions held in mid March at a neighboring primary school. Boys' and girls' soccer teams together with girls' netball teams proceeded to the divisional and district competitions where they emerged winners. All these teams are remarkably strong and are set to represent the district in the provincial competitions to be held soon. Other co-curricular activities for term two began on 25<sup>th</sup> of March. These involve athletics, handball, volleyball and racket games. They include participants from not only East Africa but also Rwanda as well.

MCF wishes to celebrate the Easter season in pomp and color. Easter Sunday will see MCF undertake a baptism session for young people who have gone through the catechism classes successfully. The occasion which will be presided over by Dr. Ev. C. M. Mulli, the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Mully Children's Family, will be graced by visitors from North America some of whom will also be baptized. It is always a blessing to have these visitors and MCF is always glad to welcome them. This will also be a day for sharing and interacting in MCF where sports and games will be held for the primary school, secondary school, senior beneficiaries and teachers. The children will also be given an opportunity to perform songs, dances, drama, acrobatics, Bible/ choral verses and other presentations that they have prepared. A special hot meal will also be served.



We take this opportunity to thank you for your support and partnership. MCF wishes you a happy Easter. May the joy of our Lord Jesus Christ fill your hearts and may His peace be your portion now and always.

May the grace of God be with you as we continue to unite together in the service of the needy children and the people of Africa.

*YOURS SINCERELY,  
DR. EV. C. M. MULLI, Ph.D. (HSC).  
FOUNDER AND C.E.O.*