

Widows and Orphans in Rural Kenya (WORK)

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Christmas in rural Kenya.....

Christmas is celebrated all over the world and every country and culture has their own way of celebrating..... Rural Kenya is not alone in struggling to provide something extra – something special for the day. When food is already short and money a big issue – something special can be very simple: Food of some sort is a start! Chicken a definite luxury



A widow with her Christmas lunch

WORK keeps close contacts with the Widows & Orphans & tries to make sure they have all the basics needed so there is some celebration!

Our Orphans are often alone at Christmas as they have no family to go to.

WORK has a hostel for the orphans to use whenever they need. Some spend all their holidays in it. It is beside the home of Eunice who is the **WORK** Co-ordinator for all the Orphans in Western Kenya.



Raphael sitting on his bed in the hostel

Without the hostel many of our students would be

literally 'on the streets' and many would not survive.....especially at Christmas time.

Eunice cares for many of our Orphans to ensure they are safe and always have somewhere to go.

It is the Widows who give so much and without them so many kids would die. Christmas can be particularly poignant.

This widow cares for 5 young grandchild



YOU are WORK and without you none of this would have been achieved.....

THANK YOU

Have you ever.....

Been pushed in a wheel barrow as there were no wheel chairs.....

Tied your only pencil around your neck so no one could steal it.....

Bought one slice of bread as you had no more money....

Never had a birthday present.....

Carried your shoes to school so they didn't get worn out.....

Never seen a shower or bath.....

Seen your baby sister die as your mother had no breast milk.....

Covid continues.....

Covid is still affecting Kenya. Tourism has been badly affected which has led to massive unemployment. There is hope the tourists will return and bring relief to many families.

Vaccines have been extremely difficult to get in

Kenya. Barely 2 million of 50 million people have had even a first dose.



Schools have reopened and the virus has affected the

students. There is no money for social distancing in schools but the kids need to be educated.



WORK Students are all in School & we have ensured they all have the necessary Covid protection. It is good they are back in education!

W.O.R.K.

**Tries to offer hope
and a chance to
improve quality of life
where there is NO
HOPE.....**



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100 Club

Thank you everyone who has supported us this year. We are enormously grateful..... we have had winners from far and wide!

Barnstaple, Kingsbridge, Maidenhead, Wiltshire and even Scotland!

The 100 Club raises essential funds for our Widows and Orphans and it is all thanks

TO YOU!!!

A Students tale.....

I lost both my parents by the age of 5. Only my grandma was left to give me a home. She was poor....we had almost no clothes and no food. Life was very tough. I rarely went to school as there was no money. We lived in a small house which was fairly deplorable.....



One day by chance in Bungoma

I came into contact with Mary-jane and **WORK**.....my life changed dramatically. I completed Secondary School. Then at University did a degree in Forensic Science! I am now doing a Masters in Forensic fraud.

I and both humbled & inspired by **WORK** and do as much as possible to help the **WORK** Orphans



Stephen with his baby....

I owe my life to the kindness and care of you all in **WORK**.
Asante sana.

Can you help us at Christmas.....

If you would like to help us over Christmas we would be most grateful! Some of our urgent needs are:

5 locally made and reusable Sanitary Pads for the girls will keep these kids in school full time for 6months



£5

Repairing the roof for a Widow and her grandchildren



£100

A Basic Tool Kit (for our student artisans) consisting of 5 essential tools for their particular trade



£25

Supporting a young teenage mum with baby clothes and food for a month



£50

Name.....

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Any of these items or any donation can help us considerably. They literally can help save a life. Just send a cheque, use PayPal or direct to the WORK account

Thank you