



A Christian Children's Home in Kenya for Vulnerable School-aged Boys

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## MAY 2017 UPDATE

Greetings from Cape Cod, Massachusetts where I am visiting with our youngest, Karin Loewen and her family for a couple of weeks before returning to my new residence with our daughter, Kathryn Pillsbury and family. I also spent time near Atlanta with two of my sisters and some extended family. It has been very nice to be around grand-kids and family for extended periods of time, and this has really served to soften the loss of my husband, Jon, since I am seldom alone.

This month has been a busy one for our manager, Humphrey, and Ahadi board members who interviewed and hired our 1 ½ new employees (additional house-parent and part-time cook), shifted some of the staff to the new house, assured that school and college fees were paid for this semester, and saw to it that all the boys returned from their visits to relatives and started the new tri-semester on time. By the way, both of the new staff were former Ahadi boys who are now adults. This next month, it is time for renewal of our registration with the Dept. of Children's Services, which requires filing a pile of documents and being evaluated by Public Health and a committee called the Area Council. I am sure Humphrey would appreciate your prayers.



The primary school boys, pictured here yesterday, each wrote letters of thank-you's to you, explaining why they are at Ahadi and why they appreciate so much your care for them. I will share these with you in the coming months. It was heart-breaking for me to read them, and I already knew their cases. The death of my husband pales in comparison to the horror these boys have experienced in their young lives. Please pray for our staff as they try to be sensitive to the anguish that these boys have in the back of their heads, and pray that God would bring healing to their

spirits as they are introduced to His love. They are so grateful to be at Ahadi, and that brings me joy, and I hope

you share it since you are the ones making it possible.

The memorial gifts and Boston Marathon donations continue to come in, and we are so grateful for the generosity and love with which they were given. There's still time to contribute, of course. God bless you. Special thanks goes to Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church Missions team who organized the Boston Marathon Fundraiser.

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Select "Ahadi Family Kenya Orphanage" and choose "running expenses"***

***IN KENYA: Send to our m-pesa account: 0706-344024 (Humphrey Chegome Olindo's name--our social worker/manager--will appear in your confirmation message.) OR, DEPOSIT AT NIC BANK, NIC HOUSE BRANCH Ahadi Family Kenya account***

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