

Prayer & Activity

CALENDAR



20 Days Celebrating
20 Years of Hope

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Dear Friend,

God is so GOOD! Over the last 20 years, we've witnessed incredible growth in the ministry and have seen God provide in amazing ways—including relationships with sponsors and partners like you. It's hard to believe it's been 20 years!

As a key part of the MOHI story, we invite you to join us in celebrating hope through 20 Days of MOHI Celebration.

This is a fun and engaging way to extend the celebration beyond MOHI staff and students, and into the lives of sponsors, families, and congregations.

The MOHI team is thankful for your support of the ministry, and we believe this celebration can also serve as a launch pad for the next phase of growth, with a vision of sponsoring 100,000 children by 2030. Yes, this vision is a God-sized goal, but we know He is faithful and we're trusting Him to guide us, our sponsors, and church partners to make a Kingdom impact.

Thank you for your love and support.

God Bless,

Wallace and Mary Kamau
Founders and Directors



The 20 Days of MOHI Celebration Officially Kicks Off with a Facebook LIVE Event!

4th, September, 2020
5 pm (PT) 8 pm (ET)

[Watch on Facebook](#) **LIVE**



Follow Along

IN THE 20 DAY CELEBRATION

Over the next 20 days we'll be sharing devotionals, transformation stories, cultural activities and more!

Use this guide to follow along each day as we praise God and thank those who have helped make this ministry and mission possible.

This calendar includes five categories of celebrations. Use this key to follow along:



Story



Devotional



Culture



Reflection



Message

CELEBRATE GOD'S Faithfulness

Days 1-2

Let's celebrate 20 years of God's faithfulness. As we look at the past, we can see the hand of God as He's guided us through strategic decisions, connected us with key resources, and called us to walk in faith as the ministry has grown.

Please join us in reflecting on God's goodness and His divine hand of providence.



Day 1

Reflect on the Journey with Mary

Learn about the early years of MOHI, how we got started, obstacles we've encountered and overcome, and how the foundation was built for the organization that people know today.

Read more about the MOHI story and 20-year journey at blog.mohiafrica.org/the-mohi-story



<https://youtu.be/V0tg1s7w6tw>



Day 2

Listen as Wallace Shares about Trusting in God

It's been a journey of faith. There were even times when we felt the ministry might not continue, but we kept hoping and trusting in God and He has been faithful. Listen to Wallace as he shares his inspiring story of faith.



<https://youtu.be/Z613tKaxf4w>

20 YEARS OF Education

Days 3-6

At MOHI, we seek to offer the highest quality Christian education to students in disadvantaged communities throughout Kenya. In the last 20 years, God has blessed us with the opportunity to build more than 25 schools, impacting the lives of more than 30,000 children.



Day 3

Reflect on a Bible Verse

Train up the child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

– Proverbs 22:6

Pray for the Children in MOHI Schools to...

- ... be empowered by their learning.
- ... have open hearts to learn new skills and bring the knowledge and experience back to their families.
- ... have positive interactions with the teachers and social workers; that all be blessed by their presence in our schools.
- ... have a deeper understanding and relationship with Jesus through their education and spiritual development.

Activity

Write a List of 20 Things You Are Thankful For!

As we celebrate 20 years of MOHI, you too can reflect on the blessings in your life and all that God has done to bring hope to those around you.



Day 4

Experience a Transformation Story

Hear this uplifting story about a child who once had no hope, but is now on the path to a great future. In this video, Wallace shares one of his favorite memories from doing ministry work in Mathare Valley.



<https://youtu.be/CPNzIBzIHrA>

20 YEARS OF Education



Day 5

Meet Kwamboka, a MOHI Graduate

Before her mother learned about MOHI from an aunt, Kwamboka's life was a struggle. She had very little hope for her future. Learn how MOHI stepped in to help her find a renewed hope for brighter days in this inspiring story of God's faith.

Learn more about her transformation story at blog.mohiafrica.org/meet-mohi-graduate



Day 6

Learn Some New Words!

The official language in Kenya is Swahili. Take a few minutes today to memorize some Swahili words and phrases.

Good morning >> *Habari ya asubuhi*

Hi! >> *Habari yako!*

How are you doing? >> *U hali gani?*

My name is >> *Jina langu ni*

Nice to meet you >> *Nimefurahi kukutana nawe*

Thank you >> *Asante*

I'm hungry >> *Nahisi njaa*

I'm Thirsty >> *Nahisi kiu*

See you later >> *Tuonane baadaye*

Praise God! >> *Bwana Asifiwe!*

God is good! >> *Mungu ni mwema!*

I'm tired >> *Nimechoka*

I love you >> *Nakupenda*

I am sorry >> *Niwie radhi*

Please >> *Tafadhali*

Welcome >> *Karibu*

Goodbye >> *Kwaheri*

Good night >> *Usiku mwema*

To learn more, try typing a word into [Google Translator](https://www.google.com/translators/). We recommend starting with words like family, love, and God. If you find a word you like, share it with us on social media!

20 YEARS OF Empowerment

Days 7-8

At MOHI, we strive to enable families through a hand up, not handout approach. Our empowerment programs—which include job skills training and microfinance opportunities—grow confidence among families and teach thousands of people how to make a sustainable living for themselves.



Day 7

Reflect on a Bible Verse

Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

—Isaiah 43:19

Pray for...

... the courage for all of us to step out in bold faith, moving in the direction God has called us to go.

... guidance for the MOHI staff and for the courage to trust God in all things.

... the resources and relationships necessary for MOHI to impact thousands for the Kingdom.

Activity

Share Your Knowledge or Skills with the Community!

Every individual has unique gifts and talents. We recognize this in the children at MOHI schools and encourage you to do the same! Find one person today who would benefit from your unique talents and skills, and share!



Day 8

Meet Josephine, a MOHI Skills Training Graduate

After first learning about MOHI from a neighbor in 2008, Josephine enrolled her son as a student at our Pangani school. Not long after, she learned about the skills training programs offered by MOHI and enrolled in classes. She has since mastered two skills that allow her to earn a living and support her family.

Read her transformation story and see her beautiful artistry at blog.mohiafrica.org/meet-mohi-skills-graduate



20 YEARS OF Restoration

Days 9-11

At MOHI, our health initiatives advance the physical, mental, and spiritual health of the families in our communities. Supporting the needs of our most vulnerable through our health clinics, support groups, and counseling services.



Day 9

Reflect on God's Promise of Restoration

For I will restore health to you, and your wounds I will heal, declares the Lord, because they have called you an outcast: 'It is Zion, for whom no one cares!'

— Jeremiah 30:17

Pray for...

... the MOHI staff, families, and partners who may be suffering from illness.

... hope in the face of severe poverty and despair.

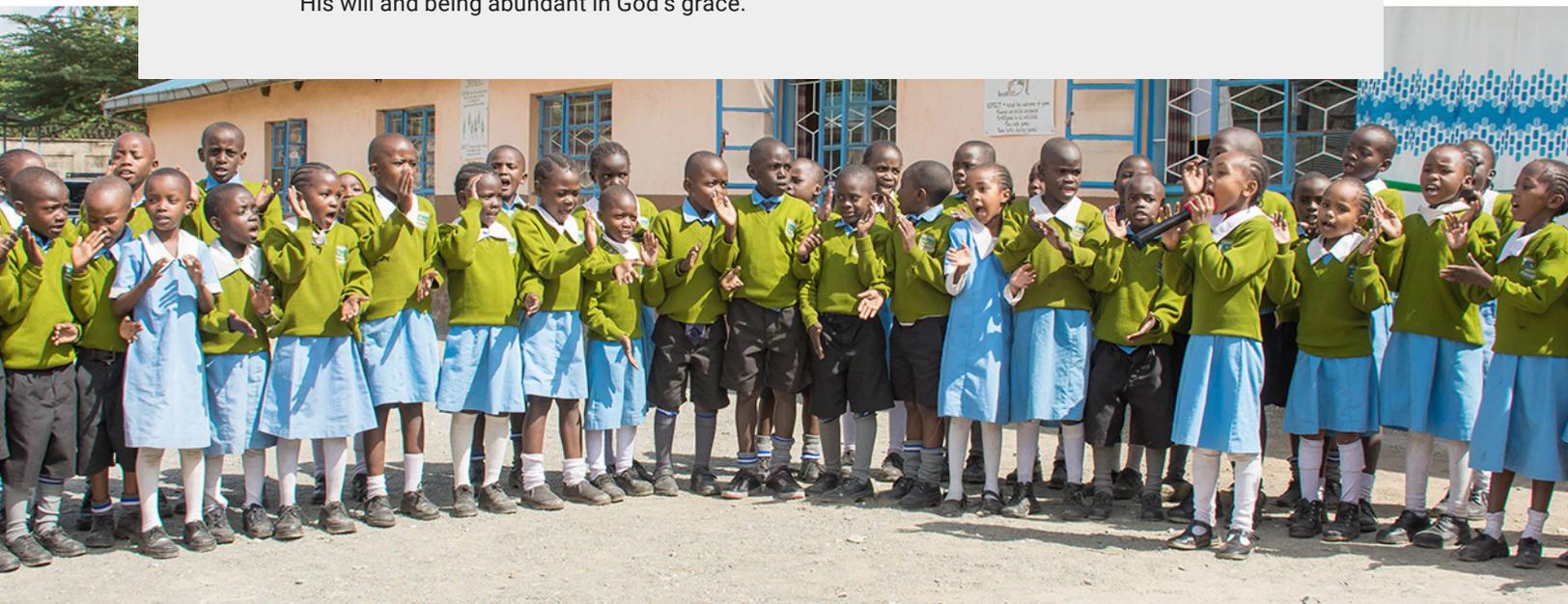
... God's grace, strength, and power in leading us in His will and being abundant in God's grace.

Activity

Restore Hope in the People Around You!

Our world has a lot of stress and uncertainty at the moment. Join us in restoring hope and impacting the lives around you:

- 1) Share a restorative meal with your family at the dinner table
- 2) Spend 15 minutes in prayer
- 3) Reach out to someone you care about



20 YEARS OF Restoration



Day 10

Meet Evaline, a MOHI Parent

Evaline is one of the parents from our Gitathuru Center. She was sick and not doing very well. Her MOHI caseworker noticed that her health was deteriorating quickly and became concerned. Learn how her dedicated caseworker was able to help provide the physical and mental help Evaline needed to get back on a path to feeling well again.

Read Evaline's transforming journey to a restored well-being at blog.mohiafrica.org/bringing-hope-even-in-sickness



Day 11

Join Us for a Cup of Tea!

In Kenya it is customary to offer guests tea or food depending on the time of day. Try this traditional chai tea recipe:

1. Heat together 1 cup water and 1 ½ tsp tea leaves (or 1 tea bag) in a 3-4 quart saucepan
2. Boil 10 minutes
3. Add 1 cup milk
4. Heat near boiling
5. Add 2-4 teaspoons sugar to taste



20 YEARS OF Redemption

Days 12-14

At MOHI, we seek to make a difference in the lives of others—just as Jesus did. We strive to care, protect, and nurture those around us by sharing God’s providence and compassion with them. Transforming lives through the hope of Jesus Christ, focusing on the whole gospel for the whole person.



Day 12

Reflect on the Redemptive Power of Christ

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.

—Ephesians 1:7

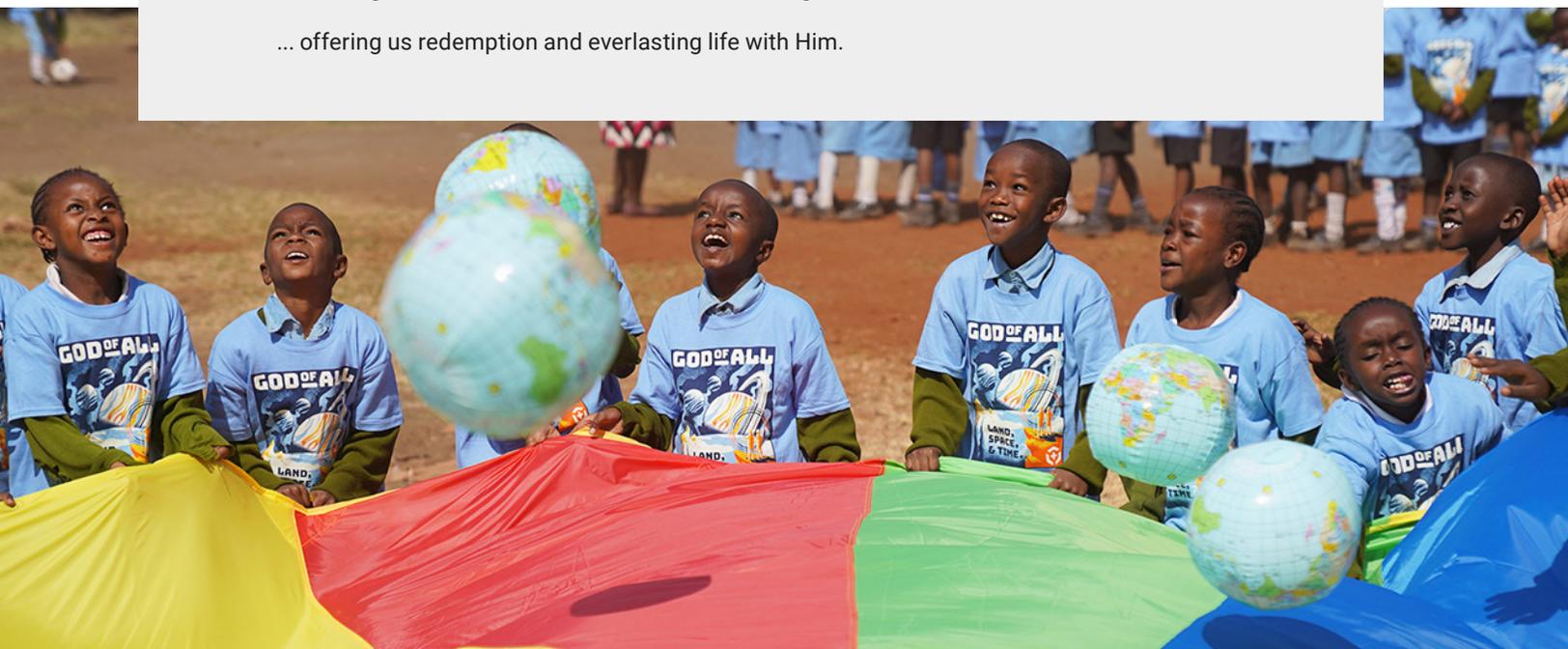
Thank God for...

- ... the redemptive power of his son, Jesus Christ.
- ... His grace.
- ... sending his Son to die for us and not condemning us for the sins we commit.
- ... offering us redemption and everlasting life with Him.

Activity

Talk About Redemption with Your Family!

Bake a cake or cupcakes today. As you are frosting the baked goods, talk with your family about how Jesus covers all our sins. Talk about your most prominent sins and how Jesus’ death on the cross redeems us.



20 YEARS OF Redemption



Day 13

Meet Lucy, a Dressmaker and Born Again Christian

Lucy was in dire circumstance after separating from her husband. She had three small children, with a fourth on the way and no way to support any of them. Read how MOHI's skills training and one dedicated teacher changed her life and helped her grow in her faith.

Learn more about her renewed faith at blog.mohiafrica.org/mohi-redemption-story



Day 14

Learn a New Song of Praise Today

Singing is a big part of our students' culture. The song we share with you today is one of worship and praise and the music is normally accompanied by instruments like drums and a ring (karing'aring'a).

Watch as students share their rendition of this sacred song from the Luhya tribes >>



<https://youtu.be/b4PF5FHCxAM>

20 YEARS OF Teamwork

Day 15-20

We want to take time to celebrate all those that have joined us on our journey. From students, parents and staff to partners around the world, working together has helped make the mission possible.



Day 15

Reflect on a Bible Verse

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.

– Hebrews 10:24

Thank God for...

... helping hands who are eager to serve.

... hearts that have been open to the call.

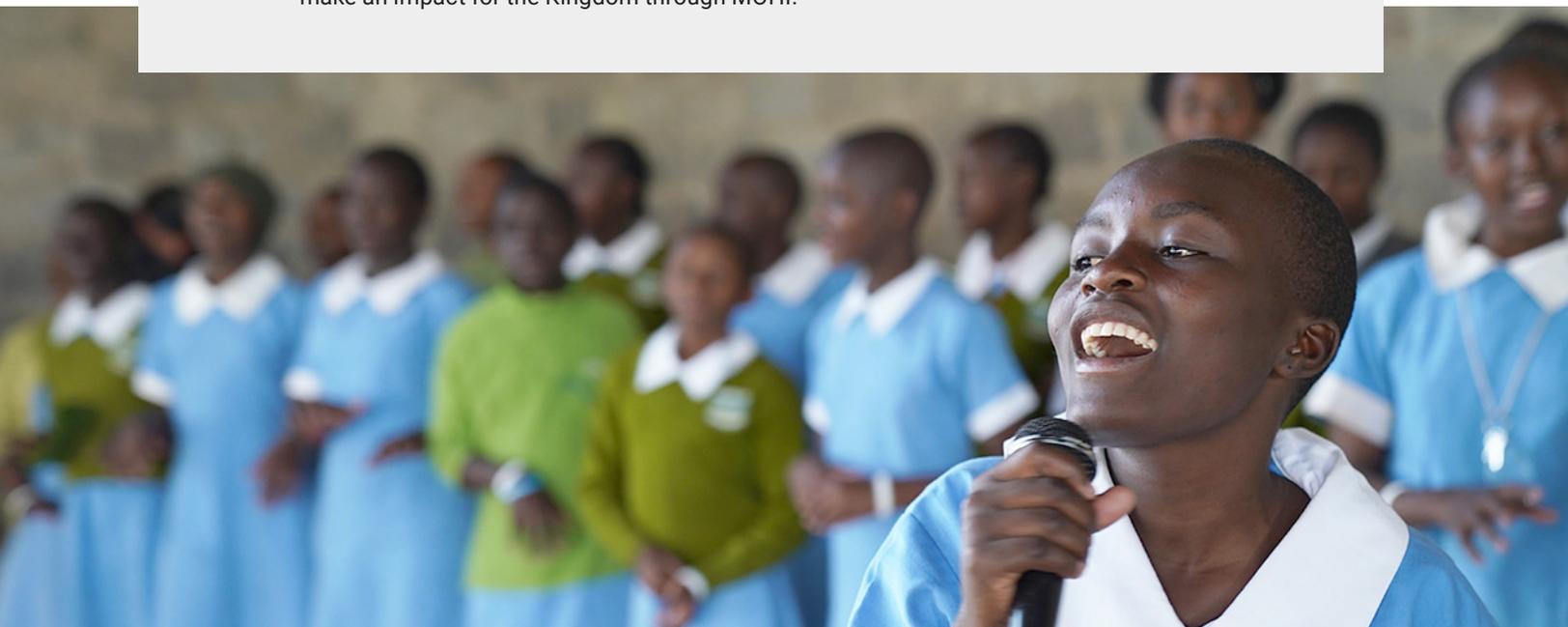
... protection, guidance, and blessings for those who have given their time, talents, and resources to make an impact for the Kingdom through MOHI.

Activity

Practice Teamwork with Family or Friends with Back-to-Back Pictures!

Materials Needed: Paper and pencils

Instructions: Divide into groups of two, sitting back-to-back. Give one team member a pre-drawn picture, and the other team member a blank sheet of paper and a pencil. Have the person holding the pre-drawn image give instructions on how to draw the picture without telling them what it is.



20 YEARS OF Teamwork



Day 16

Celebrate Our Students and the Work they Do

Along with quality Christian education, students also receive two nutritional meals a day, access to health care, and spiritual nurturing. This increased standard of care and faith instills a new level of hope and confidence we seek to make possible for all the children in our communities.

Watch Cystine's story of transformation here >>



<https://youtu.be/2qmlimGdyvE>



Day 17

Celebrate Our Parents and Their Dedication

Meet Jane, she was suffering from illness, unable to provide even the most basic necessities for herself or her family and quickly losing hope. One day, MOHI social workers visited her home and accepted her family with love. Hear how that day forever changed their lives and how Jane and her children are doing now.

Watch Jane's moving story of healing hope >>



<https://youtu.be/tU7KDT3QLQs>



Day 18

Celebrate Our Partners and How They've Joined Us in Our Mission

Child sponsorship has played a big role in our ministry over the years, many of these children could not go to school otherwise, due to their situations. Through the work of partnerships and sponsors, not only have we changed the life of our students, but we are also impacting their communities.

Watch how our partners have touched the hearts of so many >>



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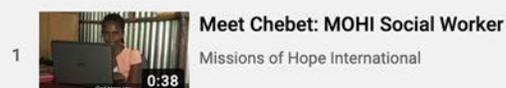


Day 19

Celebrate Our Team and Their Compassion for Others

As we reflect on the last 20 years, we know the journey would not have been possible without our dedicated MOHI team and their commitment to improving the lives of the children and families in our community.

At more than 1,100 team members strong and growing, our Kenyan staff remains passionate about sharing the love of Jesus and looking out for the most vulnerable in our communities.



[View the staff playlist](#) on the Missions of Hope International YouTube channel for a glimpse at their day



Day 20

Try a Traditional Kenyan Recipe!

Is it lunch time yet? Here's a traditional recipe that many of our MOHI students enjoy.

Give it a try! >>

Ugali is a very simple dish of milled white maize (cornmeal), cooked with water until it's very stiff and pulls away from the side of the pan. This dish is normally served with meat and vegetables.



<https://youtu.be/o8GPn96WqXs>

A Vision for the Future

10 More Years. 100,000 Children.

Thank you for celebrating with us — We are blessed to walk this journey with sponsors and partners like you!

As we look toward the future and our vision of sponsoring 100,000 children, we pray you will join us in educating, empowering, restoring and redeeming the people of Kenya and beyond through the hope of Jesus Christ.



<https://youtu.be/Tfxhgbwzn6w>



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