Rescue Kenganda 2024

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Greetings from Lyle

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Welcome to the first periodic Newsletter from Rescue Kenganda 2024 (RK). This has been too long in coming, but we will try to make up for the time we have lost. The organization was launched in September of 2024, following the discovery of an especially egregious atrocity was recognized being practiced especially in the northern marginalized tribes on the east side of Kenya, in the county of West Pokot. Soon our Website will be operational, where our full story will be available at 'rescuekenganda.org'

If you are receiving this, you may have some prior knowledge of Kenganda, but this occasional *Newsy Letter* will serve to update you on events unfolding in Kenya/Uganda vicinity that are related to our efforts.

In the north tribes, when Kenyan girls reach approximately puberty, traditionally their female parts are dissected in specific ways, known as female genital mutilation (FGM), usually against their will.

Psalms 82:3-4

"Uphold the rights of the oppressed and destitute. Rescue the poor and helpless. Deliver them from the grasp of evil people."



A few heroic girls reject this eventuality and escape, making their way to special safe havens where a very few women and men shelter and care for them. Rescue Kenganda is dedicated to supporting the care of these heroic young girls who have escaped the evils of FGM and far more. Our priorities are providing them with water, food, lodging, safety, love, affection, and conventional education - the essentials for them to grow into normal young ladies who bring glory to the Lord God.



Every day the girls have Bible classes and are taught about the love of Jesus Christ for just such girls as them. Kenganda reinforces these values with the food they are provided that comes from the Lord through the Kenganda organization. By our best estimates, 90% of the girls we encounter are either already believers in Jesus Christ, or often that reality is close behind.

The fundamental reasons for the practice of mutilating the girls and the taking of child brides, is they are worth more cows in *"bride price"* if they have been cut; and the premise that the males in the community prefer the girls to be cut - but this is not the full story. Watch for the Website where these and many other issues will be expounded more fully.



In early 2025 a crew of eight young men, age 17 and older, without any outside prompting, formed a *"club"* collectively swearing an oath not to take a wife who is a child or has been mutilated. The club and other young girls have learned from the heroes themselves why they have fled from home and family, and they are affecting change.

It should be clarified that schools in Kenya are myriad, but the *"safe havens"* are few in number, not supported by the government or any other entity. They exist from hand to mouth, or on occasional meager donations out of the community. The girls escaping the FGM are cared for by a special breed of dedicated men and women of great compassion, morally unable to turn them away. The small staff of two or three at these facilities are often not even paid a salary. Each student body is made up of a wide variety of students in addition to the rescued girls.

Please Pray for Kenya



Even as you read, much of Kenya is experiencing Noahic flooding for over two weeks now.

Much of Kenya is under water.





So far there are no reports of fatalities, but communication is only very sporadic, so the full story is not known.
We solicit your prayers for the Lord's Gracious Hand to halt the deluge rain.
What you see above is a washed-out vehicle and footbridge spanning a thoroughfare, though it may not look like it.
All projects and movement are halted, and lives are at risk, particularly in West Pokot.

If in reading this you would like to be more involved with Kenganda efforts, we invite you to reach out to us by email, phone or USPS.
If you are new to our work, we welcome you and the chance to get acquainted.

Romans 10:10-12

"Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.

Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically.

Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying."

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