

## The Progress of the Boys

We are delighted to advise that Jane, the CEO of Life4Kids in Kenya, reports that the boys are “thriving exceptionally well” and that “they are making remarkable progress in their academics.” The boys had a school break in April and will go back to school on May 6.

## Licensing New Home



All the inspections and meetings have been completed and we expect the licensing of the new home shortly. You'll recall that we had been told that the Ministry would shut down Life4Kids if we did not own our own home by May. Thanks to your unbelievable support, the boys of Life4Kids are safely, comfortably in their new “owned” home.

## Improvements to the New Home



Since acquiring the new home, we have been able to provide funding for many enhancements to the home:

- House Insurance
- Electric Fence for Added Security
- Establishment of a Reliable Water Supply
- Implementation of Fire Safety Measures with Extinguishers and Smoke Detectors
- Furnishing with Three Hardwood Dining Tables and 26 Chairs
- External Sinks for Improved Hygiene
- Upgrade of Outdoor Toilet Facilities
- New Couches for the Boys' Comfort
- Wardrobes for Organized Storage
- Hanging Rods for Clothes Lines
- New Office Desk and Two Chairs
- CCTV Cameras to Enhance Security

## Thanks to the Staff

Jane has extended her gratitude to each member of the Life4Kids staff for their dedication and hard work. Together, they are “making a meaningful difference in the lives of the boys under their care” and “making a difference for all Africa.”



## Floods in Kenya

In recent weeks, flooding has inundated large sections of Kenya. To date, more than 300 people have been killed and thousands have had to leave their homes. On Monday, flooding was made worse by the bursting of a dam. There have been weeks of heavy rains and damaging flash floods. While the staff and boys of Life4Kids have not been affected, the boys are worried about the impact on their family members.

## Tree Planting

In past editions of this Journal, you saw pictures of the boys planting trees. The shirt displayed says, “50 million trees for Africa by 2050.” The boys are certainly contributing.



## Why are there no Girls in Life4Kids?

It's a fair question. Boys are not valued in Kenya. Girls can do domestic jobs and her family receives a dowry when a girl marries. But boys are not seen to have any economic value. So, they are the first to be abandoned.