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Dear Faithful Supporter:

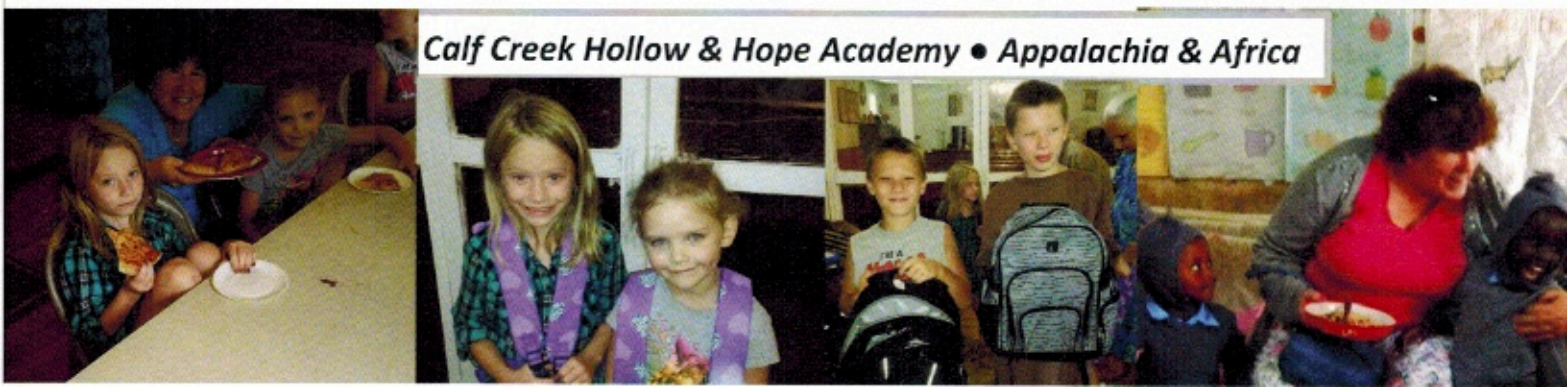
Christmas is around the corner and I already received a call from Betty who is my contact person in Calf Creek Hollows asking if the children in the Hollows would be able to have a Christmas this year. She told me that she was scared that I would tell her that no money is available especially since we were unable to help with school supplies. I am a person that always operates on faith and I have faith in God that He will use you to make sure the children in Kentucky as well as the children in Kenya will have a Christmas this year. I have already started praying. I told Betty that I want her to include some school supplies for the children as part of their Christmas gifts. We were able to provide \$2,500.00 for Calf Creek children last year. We are hoping to provide as much if not more this year.

We are also hoping to have money for the annual family Christmas meal for the children and their families in Kenya as well as bags of popcorn that include candy and fruit. As each of you know, the only Christmas these children and their families will have is dependent upon you. I want to assure you that my family and I also donate to these children and their families. I would never ask you to do something that I am not personally doing myself.

Check out the silent auction for the **Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign** that can benefit Project Respect. **Anyone** can bid on the items and items purchased under the formal name of Christian Reconciliation Ministries will help the Appalachian and African children financially. Go to www.cvcgives.org and click on the AUCTION button. They have trips, a new king size quilt, 5 rooms of carpet cleaning from Master's Touch Carpet Care, antique dolls, pictures and other items that you can bid on. You might find some great Christmas gifts that you can bid on.

Please give generously to create a miraculous Christmas for all these children. With much love!

Marsha J. Grahek, President



A MIRACLE THAT YOU HELPED CREATE

Hope Academy in Nairobi, Kenya is a miracle in the making that you have helped create through your support. Africa is a tribal continent. Do you know what that means? It means that language barriers are so huge that it keeps people from interacting freely with others. This challenge in communication among different tribes keep the tribes separated. A tribe is very close and everyone in the tribe looks out for one another within the same tribe. Because of tribalism, people stay confined to their own tribe.

What does that have to do with Hope Academy that educates the 200 children that you support? The children that attend Hope Academy come from 15 different tribes and many different religions. These children interact with one another daily as they pursue an education and a meal of beans and rice. The teachers come from different tribes but they reach out to other children in other tribes because they want their own children to be able to attend this school. Construction workers from the 15 different tribes have children that attend this school. These construction workers, on two different occasions, were provided temporary jobs that allowed them to work together. The opportunity for education, daily food and occasional work opportunities have caused young and old both, to reach across tribal lines and interact and work together as well as learn to respect and care about each other. This is the miracle in making.

NEEDS LIST FOR PROJECT RESPECT (CRMI)

Christmas celebration for children that includes practical items in both Kentucky and Kenya

Replace 8-year-old playground at Hope Academy

School supplies for Kentucky and Kenya

Money to fix community center/church in Kentucky

Money for summer camp in Kentucky

Money for supplies to build school desk/ tables & chairs in Kenya

Ongoing support for Kentucky and Kenya