

# The Machao Orphanage Foundation

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## Important Information

Perhaps you can talk with the pastor at your church about the Machao Orphanage project. We will be more than willing to come out and present a slide presentation. Perhaps you belong to a fraternity, sorority or high school that promotes service hours. Contact [info@machaoorphanage.org](mailto:info@machaoorphanage.org) for assistance on fundraising.

## Racing For Machao :: The Day at the Beach Triathlon (sponsored by Toyota and Arrowhead Water)

### FUNDRAISING

Jessica Forsberg, one of Machao Orphanage Foundation's volunteer, came up with a wonderful idea to fundraise. Since she enjoys participating in triathlons every chance she can get, why not do it to raise money for the children. On Sunday, 12 October 2008, in Hermosa Beach, several organizations were Racing for Machao. We raised \$875.00 towards the Water Project Fund.

This is just one of the many creative ways you can fundraise for the children. Become the power of one and make a difference in a child's life.

Email: [carolyn@gilderfluke.com](mailto:carolyn@gilderfluke.com), go to our website: <http://www.machaoorphanage.org> or call us at 818.377.5120 for continual updates on reaching our financial goal.

Ways to help ...

- **Build an orphanage.** Write a cheque or money order to **The Machao Orphanage Foundation**. Mail cheque or money order to Attention: Dr. Carolyn Rowley • The Machao Orphanage Foundation • P.O. Box 3856 • Glendale, CA 91201 • USA. In the memo field, please write ' new building fund'.
- **Pray** for the children, the matron and Pastor David who help take care of the children in the orphanage.
- **Become an educational sponsor.** Though Kenyan law was passed in the year 2000 that elementary education will be free and accessible, the orphan children will not be able to continue their schooling if there are no supporters. We are seeking individuals interested in sponsoring one child with his/her education through term 4 (US equivalent = 12th grade). Cost is \$1,200.00 US Dollars a year. For more information on how to sponsor a child's education, please feel free to contact Dr. Rowley via email at: [carolyn@gilderfluke.com](mailto:carolyn@gilderfluke.com).

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## Letter from the Founder and President

Dear Friends,

We hope that this newsletter finds you and your family thriving. We have had a very busy 2008 and are happy to give you an update. My daughter, Zoe Rowley-Mobley age 9, and I went to Kenya in August, 2008 to visit with the children. I am so very proud of her. She introduced arts and crafts to the children which went exceptionally well. At that time, I was able to view the current status of the new building, provide you with recent pictures, and meet with a few contractors (for the new building) and engineers (to create a borehole - water system) in an effort to gather cost to complete these two most important projects. The reported costs to complete the new building and create a borehole-water system are \$33,000.00 US Dollars and an unknown amount, respectively. The water system is unknown at this time because engineers charge by the meter and they are not sure how far down they would have to dig in order to hit water. Though we are still raising funds for a much needed water system, this will be an on going project for me as I learn all I can from engineers and organizations that provide such a system. I am most hopeful that this sum of \$33,000.00 is achievable and with your help and prayers, can be achieved prior to our next trip in August, 2009.



On Sunday, October 12, 2008, we had a FUNdraising day at Hermosa Beach for the Triathlon. Though the morning was a bit chilly, the sun poured down on those who swam the cold Pacific Ocean, biked their way up and down hills and ran the last leg for Machao. We raised a total of \$875.00 for the borehole. I would like to thank Jessica Forsberg for her dedication as a volunteer and wonderful idea as well as the participants who ran, cycled and swam for Machao.

We are pleased to be able to give you all the opportunity to learn more about Machao through our DVD. If you would like to purchase a copy to share with your family and friends, please contact me at: [carolyn@gilderfluke.com](mailto:carolyn@gilderfluke.com) or via tele at 818 377 5120. The DVD is a wonderful way to introduce potential supporters to the work you are already supporting. Phil Hess, member of Emmanuel Church, has also volunteered to update our current DVD for free! Thanks Phil. We will email you an update once this project is completed.



August 2008 (Girls dorm with roof; boys dorm has a way to go)

Lastly, we want to encourage you to consider making a donation to either the new building fund, the borehole - water system project or becoming a Love-A-Child sponsor. Consider holding your own fundraising campaign - bake sale, garage sale, tea party, walk a thon ... the ideas are endless.

We are grateful for your continued interest in supporting our work and for your kind generosity that makes it possible.

Peace and blessings,

Dr. Carolyn Rowley, Founder



## Sponsored Child/ Love-A-Child Supporter: David Mutuku / The Bazikian Family

Once you have decided upon a child to adopt, we bring you annual updates with pictures and letters from your child. The Bazikian Family, our first family who answered the call, purchased a gift for their child. In return, we brought back updated pictures and a letter expressing his thanks for the picture and gift. Here's what the Bazikian Family has to say about their participation in the program:

*Dear Carolyn,*

*I finally did it and put the donation check in the mail today. I can't believe it took me this long to do it. I also put the new information on my blog too. So I hope that helps a little. Thank you again for giving me this opportunity to help and I can't wait until my family start making connection with these kids.*

*God bless you and your family.*

LOVE - A - CHILD  
PROJECT AND  
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\$1,200/YEAR  
Covers education ::  
Tuition and books

\$1,200/YEAR  
Covers uniform

\$1,200/YEAR  
Covers food/board

\$1,200/YEAR  
Makes a difference  
in a child's life



### THE BAZIKIAN FAMILY

The Bazikian Family was our first family to accept the call to Love-A-Child. They adopted **David Mutuku** in October 2007 and will support his education for the next nine years. Thank you Bazikian Family.

### PLEASE HELP

There are now about 26 children at the orphanage and only three being sponsored. We desperately need your help. The cost is \$1,200.00 per year till your



### LISA GRANT

Lisa Grant met Dr. Carolyn Rowley at Lisa's place of business. In September 2008, Lisa answered the call and adopted **Eliashib**, who is attending secondary school. Thank you Lisa.

child graduates from Form 4 (US Equivalent = 12th Grade). If you have twelve friends and they each gave \$100, you just adopted a child. If you all can agree to do this yearly, till your child graduates from secondary



### THE MOBLEY- ROWLEY FAMILY

Zoe, Doug and Carolyn have adopted **Mary Nthenya** who currently is in Grade . Mary and her sister are both in the orphanage, and have been for years. They are hoping that someone will partner with them and adopt Mary's sister - Vaati Nthenya.

school, you have just made a difference in a child's life. Please answer the call and make a difference in a child's life.

# Long Term/Short Term Missions Opportunities

When people become aware of Machao Orphanage, one of the first thing people want to do is either give clothes or shoes. We'll take it! Emmanuel Church in Burbank, CA has given The Machao Orphanage Foundation storage space in one of their units. How are the clothes transported? We take as many pounds of clothes and shoes as we can when we make our trek in August. We prefer new or very gently used shoes and clothes. There are no infants or babies, so unfortunately we must turn down articles of clothes and shoes for this age range. Clothes, sizes 8 and up, are most welcomed. Corresponding shoe sizes are very much needed. These items are welcomed and greatly appreciated! Contact us for more information: [info@machaoorphanage.org](mailto:info@machaoorphanage.org).

## TRAVELING TO MAKUENI, KENYA (EAST AFRICA)

We are gearing up and getting excited for our August 2009 trip to Kenya! Our main order of business in this trip is to complete the building of the orphanage and give the children a place to live. Thankfully, Emmanuel Church is partnering with Machao Orphanage in providing laborers to assist in the completion of the new dormitory building. We must raise the final \$33,000.00 to purchase the building materials, beds, mattresses, and linens. Please help us by either donating funds or putting together your own fundraising event for Machao Orphanage.

We will keep you posted on upcoming opportunities for mission trips, short and long term. First things first, let's raise the money for materials, let's provide the laborers, and get these children in a loving home, then we can send you out in the field providing your love and support to these children.

Peace!

From the staff at Machao Orphanage Foundation



August, 2008



Pastor David

