



Deanna writes:

Opened my emails this morning...

This from the Pastor who is our national director in Kenya (punctuation added for clarity):

"Friends, pray with us, I woke up this morning to a big shock – woken up by our care taker at the church. Thugs broke into my office and store, stole our church instruments, sound system, Sewing machines, welding machines, my laptop, digital Camera, mattresses, blankets, and others. Please pray with me over this; it's hard for me especially this time. To and the church this is big loss. Thank God no one was hurt."

Miracle House built a building on church property that the church uses evenings and Sundays while our MH children are there 6 days a week. The office is an adjacent brick building where valuables are kept. Our children were not directly affected, as this took place at night and our children were with their guardians.

Many of the items mentioned were gifts to the church by friends of MH, and I presented the laptop to Pastor Sammy in February to aid his MH work/communication! The sewing and welding machines are used for training their people with marketable skills, a ministry outreach! This pastor and this church/the people, are like family to me and to our Miracle House family! News like this hits hard!

Then I received this from a child sponsor...

"My kids and 2 neighborhood kids had a Lemonade Stand this Sunday - see attached picture. They had the postcards of Joyce and Nimrod taped to the stand table and shared with passers-bys that the money raised will go to care for Joyce & Nimrod – they raised \$39.80!! – which I will send you a separate check that is above my monthly donation. May God continue to bless your ministry!"

This brought tears to my eyes! God is incredible! I thank God for the encouragements in the midst of the storms! Today, children in the upper middle class USA have embraced the reality of children in need in Kenya and, most importantly, they have realized they can make a difference! When the days are hard, it's a blessing to be reminded why I/we do what we do! It's for kids, desperate orphan children AND kids, because if they know, they care enough to do something about it!!!

Thank you to all our donors, sponsors, adults, and children – you are making a difference!!! Thanks for caring! Thanks for praying!! Please join me in increasing prayer coverage for our children and staff in Kenya as well as our volunteer staff in the US. Frontline ministry is intense, yet thrilling – we often experience the difficult, yet are positioned to see the amazing hand of God!