

June 2023

Dear friends of Orval Butcher Missions,

Greetings to each of you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We at Orval Butcher Missions (OBM) are so grateful for you! Thank you for partnering with us to touch lives in the name of Jesus in faraway places around the globe. You are a blessing and an encouragement!

In March my wife Cathy and I were blessed to lead a weekend marriage retreat in Quito, Ecuador for the church planting leadership team for Latin America, for MultiplicationNetwork.org. It was a wonderful time of teaching, sharing and encouragement! Many of you know that my wife Cathy is a Marriage and Family Therapist and a gifted teacher. We have been doing small group marriage ministry most of the last 30 years and it is a blessing to get to do this ministry together. The feedback from the participants was very positive and this resulted in an invitation to lead another marriage retreat in Tanzania for the East Africa team sometime in 2024. We so enjoy investing in indigenous church planters and leaders around the world! Please pray with us for God's leading and direction with this ministry in the future.

This past quarter:

Emergency Food Relief in Kenya. East Africa continues to suffer with a depressed economy and food shortages. The situation is still very desperate for many in Kenya. We have continued to raise funds for emergency food relief for the purchase and distribution of food through local churches that ministry partner, Dr. Mulinge, is associated with in Kenya, AfricaServantLeader.com. Peter said "providing food has opened many hearts to be receptive to hearing the Gospel". This past quarter we sent **\$1,450** bringing the total sent to **\$31,790**. Thank you again for your generosity! Your support is making a huge difference for many people!



Quito Ecuador, marriage retreat group photo



Kenya, Mitiboni Boundless Medical Clinic, patients waiting for services

Costa Rica Church, Tres Rios Pastor Robert Barrantes (Arms of Love Church) is hoping to raise \$3,500 to go toward purchase of a four-wheel drive vehicle. This is needed to reach remote areas of the Cabecar and Guyami indigenous tribes to support church planting and facilitate a food and clothing ministry. Currently pastor Robert has a two-wheel drive car they plan to sell and combine the sale proceeds with the \$3,500 to purchase a four-wheel drive truck. The Cabecar and Guyami are often overlooked by Costa Rican society. This is a unique way to help show God's love in a remote corner of the world.

Team Life: \$525 was raised for Team Life for funding handmade baby beanies, booties and blankets that are sent to crisis pregnancy centers.

Mitaboni Boundless Medical Clinic, Kenya, Africa. Orval Butcher Missions sent \$1,450 to help cover clinic expenses for medical treatment of patients at the Mitaboni Boundless Medical Clinic in Kenya. Director Barnabas Matua says, "This medical ministry would not be possible without our partnership with Orval Butcher Missions, Thank you so much for your support!"



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Current Projects:

Orval Butcher Missions is currently raising funds for the following projects:

Emergency Food Relief in Kenya with Africa Servant Leadership Development Initiative (ASLEAD) Dr. Peter Mulinge, Kenya. We are raising funds to go toward purchasing and distributing food for those who are unable to get food due to the economic situation in Kenya. We are utilizing the local church network in Kenya to accomplish this goal.

Mitaboni Boundless Medical Clinic, Kenya, Africa. Mitaboni Boundless Medical Clinic was established by Barnabas Matua, a Kenyan national. His vision is to provide a rural medical clinic where underserved community members can go to receive medical care. The poorest patients pay nothing and those who can pay are charged a reasonable price. It is Barnabas' goal to have the clinic be self-sustaining as soon as possible. The clinic is located in Mitaboni, Machakos County, Kenya. The clinic currently provides several services, including out-patient services, HIV and AIDS testing and prevention, eye care, mother/child health care and dental services. The clinic motto is "We treat, God heals".

Team Life. This ministry is an awesome team of retired women led by my mother Joyce Gaetke (She's the best!). They create hand-crafted baby beanies, blankets and booties and distribute them to Pregnancy Care Centers throughout California and Nevada. The baby beanies, blankets and booties are given as gifts to expectant mothers to encourage them to make a choice for life. Any money donated for this ministry is used to purchase the materials to create these beautiful hand-crafted gifts.

Costa Rica, Arms of Love Church Vehicle. We are helping to raise funds for a four-wheel drive vehicle For Arms of Love Church to be used as a ministry tool to serve the Cabecar and Guyami indigenous groups of Costa Rica.

If you would like to contribute to any of these projects through Orval Butcher Missions, please indicate your preference of project(s) on the enclosed Response Card and return it in the envelope provided. If it is more convenient, you can contribute by visiting our website www.OrvalButcherMissions.org.

Orval Butcher Missions provides opportunities to participate in efforts on the mission field to support immediate missionary needs, special projects and short-term ministry. Through the efforts of Orval Butcher Missions, 100% of your tax-deductible support can be quickly directed to designated project needs.

Thank you for your partnership in this work founded by Pastor Orval Butcher. We are blessed to participate in carrying on Pastor Butcher's vision and his love for those who serve in foreign missions. May God richly bless you and your family.

In His service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mike Gaetke', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mike Gaetke,
President, Orval Butcher Missions

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