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## Greetings !

Greetings in the name of the lord! Greetings from West Pokot. Another season, another chapter, the lord has been gracious ,so good, and we are glad to share all the goodies with you. Isn't it amazing when souls are being saved in Pokot? When communities are being transformed ?.

Surely, that's what is happening .Good thing that you all our friends and supporters have been part of this amazing journey. Thank you for your prayers and contribution, we wouldn't make it without you. The lord has assured us, it is just the beginning. That is the big news! We are very happy to share with you the **sixth edition of the Wildfire Ministries USA & Kenya Newsletter** – which is produced within the Wildfire Ministries USA & Kenya. As you read through this newsletter, thank God for the people of Pokot, thank HIM for all the churches, and for all the staff and volunteers of Wildfire Ministries Kenya & USA.



Happy Pokot community

## Welcoming Joram



Welcoming Joram

On September 4th, Wildfire Ministries Kenya Director Joram Kingori visited Pokot for the first time since his arrival from USA. He was present to celebrate with the Pokot people and to fulfill his promise. The people had been waiting for him, you could sense the anxiety and their tears of joy. With songs and dances, they welcomed one of their own. That is how the Pokot people celebrate when they receive their sons. We were all present as part of the entourage. At PEFA Kakreshon, the people celebrated with us even more. As a sign of respect and honor, they gifted us with traditional regalia which they helped us put on. It was meant to be a long day... In deed, a blessed Sunday.

## New beginning

On September 6th, we had some good time with the congregation at our PEFA Kakreshon church. Recently, the church moved to a new location, few meters from the previous location. Thanks to the leadership of the church and contribution from the local government leaders, a new structure was constructed to accommodate the more than 100 people. More funds are still needed to expand the structures. Currently, some members of the



PEFA Kakreshon church

## Bride party season

The month of August is gone. It is another season in Pokot; the bride party season. Did you get it right? Yes, it is the season when many parents, for selfish reasons “sell off” their underage girls to older men. Men who are old enough to be their fathers. Yes, the season is here again. The month of August and September saw many girls undergo the FGM. Many of these girls are aged between ten and fifteen. It is estimated that more than one thousand Pokot girls undergo the cut every year and two months later married off. We are very happy the churches are doing great work in trying to rescue these young girls from the hands of their oppressors. We applaud one particular leader, Pst Joseph Korikin, our volunteer at the Kakreshon PEFA church who has been working tirelessly to see that such young underprivileged girls complete their education and achieve their dreams. Through the church, pastor Korikin has been working closely with the parents and local leaders, educating them on the importance of educating girls. Through the “merry go round groups” the church is also empowering the women economically and helping them start business ventures. Through Wildfire Ministries Kenya and USA, the church groups (Nyangaita and Kakreshon) also received 100USD dollar each to help in the project. We believe for the women, this is the first step towards self reliance. It will help in opening doors of opportunities for them and their children. An empowered Pokot woman understands her role as a mother and is key to educating the girls. The churches are also working very closely with the men. At PEFA Kakreshon the population of men is slowly building up. Currently, at least seven men attend the church every Sunday. The population of male youths has also increased, and this is so encouraging.



Pokot girl reading bible

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### *Acts 3: 19-21*

*Repent therefore and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.*

### PEFA Surumben Church



**New church - PEFA Surumben**

In the month of June, we planted a new church at Surumben. Our currently volunteer pastor is Joseph Akotuluk who previously worked at PEFA Nyangaita as the assistant pastor. Wildfire Ministries team led by Joram visited the church on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September. We prayed together with the people and blessed the church. More than thirty people including children attended the church service that day. Thanks to our supporters the Wildfire Ministries USA for supporting the porridge program at the church. We believe the Surumben church will continue to impact the lives of the communities.

## Visiting Esther and Mirriam

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup>, we visited Esther and Mirriam at their new home in Lelan. The two girls are progressing well in school. Esther got position two last term and Mirriam position twelve. The two have really improved in their communication. We are very proud of their achievements in school. We thank their guardian Julius and his wife who volunteered to stay with the two girls in their home. We believe our investment is not in vain. Our prayer and belief is that these two girls will finish school and join colleges and be the face of transformation in Pokot. Our desire is to help as many girls as possible in Pokot. We believe real change will come if women and girls are given equal opportunity. To support one of our girls write to us here : [info@wildfireministrieskenya.org](mailto:info@wildfireministrieskenya.org) or [joram@wildfireministrieskenya.org](mailto:joram@wildfireministrieskenya.org) We will be happy to hear from you.



Joram and Angel with Esther and Mirriam's new family at Lelan.

## Thanking God for

- 1) Esther and Mirriam, they are doing well in class.
- 2) The PEFA surumben Church. There are open doors in Surumben.
- 3) Our Kakreshon church which now has over seventy regular church attendants including Men.
- 4) Joram and his family. Joram is now strong and back to the ministry fulltime.

## Pray for

- 1) More staff and volunteers in Pokot.
- 2) Funds to build our children's center in Pokot,
- 3) Funds to build permanent church structure in Nyangaita and Kakreshon.
- 4) Funds to support the porridge program in Chesezon.
- 5) More support for Emmanuel and his family.

Thank you

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