

## TUNZA CHILDREN CENTRE JULY 2010 REPORT

The month of July has been like a month of transition from school term to the holiday break for the children. As we are sending this report, the kids closed their term yesterday on 2nd August 2010 whilst the secondary school one's closed last week on Thursday and Friday consecutively. As much as we looked forward for the holiday so we may have more time with the kids, our quest remains: how do we manage to keep the kids active, hyped and psyched al-through the four weeks of the holiday up to September in order to curb idolizing of their minds?

Out rightly to say, we are in dire need of resources. We have been planning to have at least a retreat outside the centre once every holiday so that we may have fun with the kids and as counseling entails, a change of environment might be of help for the kids to open up more. We would like to break the monotony of class or dorm sessions we have been conducting at least for a day if not more because we do understand the financial crunch that has hit the world today.

Moreover, it has been our ardent desire to begin a library for movies, magazines and books where the kids would spend their free time reading and watching relevant movies that would help them grow intellectually, mentally, physically and emotionally. We are also considering the young babies in this to initiate building blocks; cartoon library and craft work for them. So far we have been able to link with the Kenya Students Christian Fellowship (K.S.C.F) who have offered to give 40 handbooks on Youth and HIV/AIDS, which we intend to begin our library with even though less.

Becky had forwarded to you the plans that we have for the form four leaver's in order to create kind of a self - employment enterprise for them so that will not only live dependant of the little resources that the centre gets from donors when they can create wealth for themselves. However, all this projects will only roll if we get financial support.

Besides, we are grateful that the kids have now appreciated the rules and regulations we had set with the help of the new social worker at the centre. The kids are now in a path of positive growth and we are expecting great results on behaviour change. The new social worker is competent and understands the children psychology. She understands her role in helping the growth of the children. Previously it has been hard for us working with the former social workers who seemed selfish and so much of

themselves only intending to benefit materially through the help given to the kids.

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