

## Kenya Missions Update



**SUMMER 2023** 

The 2023 ACTS Team visited the Sagana church July 11-20. We arrived planning to do children's ministry all week, only to find out that many of the children were still in school. This was a surprise to our team, but not to God...

We adapted— holding times of Bible study with the pastors and young adults who came most days. We'd brought a LOT of craft supplies, so we also did many children's crafts with the group of adults each day. Eventually, God's purpose was revealed to us, as we realized that the church really did not do any children's ministry. We were training children's ministry workers before we even realized it!

Some of our team went into the village slum area with the pastors to invite kids to the church on Saturday. We had around 80 kids come! We were able to do Bible stories with them as well as games and crafts. We also were able to feed them lunch. My 14-year-old son, Taden, who came on the trip, said that one thing that

stood out to him was how excited the children were to receive peanut butter & jelly sandwiches—what we consider such a generic and mundane child's lunch was such a big treat to them, (as was the slice

of watermelon they each received).

Our second-to-last day in Sagana was Sunday. The fruit of our work became evident when







Pastors Robert & Paul called all the children of the church forward during the service and proceeded to lead the entire congregation in a powerful time of prayer over them— their lives and futures! I interpreted this as their new or renewed sense of the importance of investing in kids—the future of the church! I can only imagine how pleasing this prayer time was to Jesus, who specifically called the little ones to come to Him! Please pray over these precious ones as well.

It was such a blessing to experience Kenya on the ACTS team with 2 of my children! I would encourage anyone on the fence to seriously consider it in 2024. I'm happy to answer any questions—just call the office and ask for me, or email: JennS@CGGC.org

-Submitted by Jenn Schlumbohm, CGGC GR Admin. Assistant







The '23 ACTS team, (minus leader Nancy Boyer—who took the photo), at the church.

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