



Greetings from the Executive Director,

I am looking forward to serving as Partnering for Progress Executive Director and joining you in this journey of collaboration. It is an honor to be serving this organization and to work with you!

Seth Okumu, our Project Coordinator in Kopanga, will be visiting this October. Seth acts as our eyes, ears, hands and feet on the ground, plus is very knowledgeable about Kenyan culture and needs. His calendar will fill quickly, so if you would like an opportunity to learn more about Seth or our work in Kenya while he is visiting, please contact p4poffice@gmail.com to set up an appointment. Seth will be this year's keynote speaker at our annual Into Africa Auction.

Speaking of the auction, we invite you to gather friends on October 4 and join us for an evening of fun at the Lincoln Center. The food will be outstanding, the education enlightening, and the reason to gather couldn't be better. We have exciting auction items and a program that we hope will transport you to Kenya, if only for one night.

There is much to learn and many to meet.

Blessings to you,

Dia Maurer

From the Field By Seth Okumu, P4P Project Coordinator

Movinta Achien'g is a 19-month old girl who is Daniel Ang'wen and Rosy Atieno fifth child. The couple has lost two other children to undiagnosed illnesses. Movinta was born prematurely and has been in the Power of Milk program since birth but has shown little growth or improvement in her health. This prompted us to do an HIV test and found that she and her parents are all HIV positive.

Movinta is now on anti-retro viral medication and is as receiving Plumpy Nut, a food supplement, courtesy of P4P's nutrition program. She is now improving and the mother is so appreciative of the help through P4P.

potential for growth and learning. Chronic malnutrition is a problem with the prevalence of stunting being 33%, underweight 22% and wasting 6% (UNICEF statistics).

The objectives of this program are to perform child anthropometric measurements, provide nutritional supplements for infants and toddlers at risk for malnutrition and starvation, and provide health and nutritional education to mothers. This program supervised by our Project Administrator works with the Kenyan government (Ministry of Health Migori) and utilizes community health workers to weigh infants and toddlers to determine their level of malnutrition and identify those most at risk. The Ministry of Health provides plumpy nut and fortified porridge whereas Partnering for Progress provides measuring instruments to measure children, the tools needed for anthropometric measurements and for the transportation of the supplements to a local church where the bi-monthly distribution takes place. This program also provides follow up visits to participating families as well as personalized health and nutritional education.

Massive Fire Damages Nairobi Airport

Large sections of Nairobi's Kenyatta International Airport were extensively damaged by a massive fire on August 7, 2013. There were no casualties, but reports indicate that most of the interior of the international arrivals section of the airport was destroyed.

Transport and Infrastructure Cabinet Secretary, Michael Kamau, said that domestic flights would resume within hours of the fire's containment and international arrivals could resume within 48 hours from a different section of the airport. Currently, there is no information about when departures would resume.

The fire will seriously impact the flow of tourists and agricultural exports. Nairobi, Kenya's capital, is a major travel hub in Africa for which fresh fruits and vegetables are exported to Europe by plane several times a week.

Faith's Story By Helen Biggs

Education is not free in Kenya. Primary school tuition averages 3,000 Kenya shillings (KES) per year (about \$35 US) and secondary school student tuition costs are close to 25,000 KES (\$286 US). Considering that the annual per capita household income is only about 570 KES, secondary school is out of reach of most Kenyan children.

P4P has long recognized that one of the only ways to lift people out of poverty is through education and we are pleased to have implemented a scholarship program.

I would like to introduce you to Faith Anyango Owino, one of five scholarship recipients chosen by Partnering for Progress earlier this year. Faith is the daughter of James Owino Opondo and Rosemary Awuoa Okumu and is the oldest child in her family. She has three siblings, a brother and sister in Class 7 and a brother in Class 4.

Faith attends Owiro Akoko Girls Secondary School and is doing excellent work in mathematics and good work in Kiswahili, biology, history and home science. She is described as "so clever" and "well behaved."

"Due to her parent's poorness," says the village chief, "they cannot manage to educate their daughter."

P4P is honored to sponsor such a well-respected and regarded student. We know that the benefits of a

will be featuring a small bio for the next few months that will showcase each of our 2013 scholarship recipients. We are thrilled to be able to provide opportunities to a group of deserving and enthusiastic students.



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