

# Foundation Ukunda Schools Project

## Newsletter - Spring 2009

Jambo, Karibu!

Hello, Welcome!

### Computers for schools

Last year, our foundation sent computers to Kenya. The PCs have been delivered to some schools. In July 2009, a computer lab will be equipped at the girls' school St Philip (secondary education). Rose Anami and Rene de Vries will attend the school to provide computer lessons to teachers and girls from the exam class.

If your school / company wants to donate computers, please contact us. We hope that we will be able to ship lot of computers to Kenya during 2009. Can we count on your support?

*On the right picture: the installation of some PCs at primary school Magutu in Ukunda*



### Promoting our projects during the "World Market" in Zutphen (Holland)

On May 16, 2009 we were present at the World Market in Zutphen.

Besides selling Kenyan souvenirs we also provide information about our projects to interested parties. We can look back on a successful day!

*On the photo at the left: information about our projects and some Kenyan souvenirs.*

*We ordered key-chains in Kenya with the name of the Dreef School. The key-chains were sold during a special sponsor activity at their school. Idea for your action for our projects?*

### Dreefschool support

The Dreef School (Haarlem, Holland) supports our projects. During a sponsor activity, they sold Kenyan food and Kenyan souvenirs. They were able to raise more than € 2.800. After the summer break, the students will organize a charity walk.

Therefore we can expect more. We want to thank the school for their great financial support, commitment, and also for the donation of some computers!



### Introduction: Bidii

The mission of our sister organization Bidii is coordinating our projects in Kenya. Bidii is an officially approved Kenyan NGO. For more information: <http://www.bidii.org>

*From left to right: Mrs. Pamella K. Demesi (Vice Secretary), Mr. Charles Muhatia (Secretary), Mr. Simon Muaka (Vice Chair person), Ms. Rose Anami (Chair person), Mr. Simeon Anami (Vice Treasurer) en Mr. Adriano D. Magani (Treasurer)*

### First Water Project

Every day women and young girls have to fetch water. Usually they walk at least 7 km per day with full cans of more than 20 kg.

By walking back and forth with water the girls have little time to go to school. The use of contaminated water causes diseases. The girls often stay home to take care for the sick family members and for taking care of the house hold.

#### Access to fresh drinking water:

- \* Improves the health and ensures that students continue to come to school.
- \* Makes it unnecessary for people to waste their time to fetch dirty water from a river
- \* Provides better hygienic conditions in schools, which is very important, especially for girls.
- \* Schools are no longer wasting money unnecessary to buy drinking water for daily use.



The schools can not carry out their teaching jobs properly because there is simply no water. By diseases such as typhoid, HIV / AIDS and cholera education is experienced as less important. As fewer young people are well trained, the result will be that poverty is only increasing. By supplying clean drinking water to schools and the community we try to ensure that this downward spiral can be reversed. This will lead to better health, better hygiene, clean drinking water, more children-especially

girls-to school, etc. Living conditions will improve.

In 2009 we will focus on the small village Kambiri in Western Kenya. It is our desire to provide clean drinking water to "our" schools. Placing the water pumps will be done by the Kenyans themselves. They also take care for the maintenance. The Kenyans are trained by the staff of The Water Project, an American aid organization (NGO). This NGO already has considerable experience in building water pumps in Kenya and other developing countries.



#### First Water = a world of difference! West Kenya Water pump = € 2500, --

- \* First of all locate where water can be found
- \* Then take soil samples
- \* We do the first payment for a water pump
- \* The engineers drill a hole and place the pipes
- \* They also make a tray to catch spoiled water
- \* The pump is placed.
- \* After the engineers have shown to us that there is sufficient water from the pump we make the final payment

You can help that these water pumps can be installed. Your donation is more than welcome. Dutch tax authorities consider our foundation as a non-commercial charity organization (ANBI) and therefore your donations can be tax deductible.

Contact your accountant to find out more about this. See also our website:

<http://www.ukundafoundation.org>