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Dear Praying Friends,

Anyone who has worked in children's ministries can readily admit that it is easy to focus on the misbehaviors and antics of the children and to lose sight of their potential for the Lord. However, as we well know, children are the leaders of the future...and that future comes quicker than we think!

When we first came to Kenya, over twenty-five years ago, children's ministries were not a high priority. The mentality of many Africans was that children were mostly a bother and not capable of making important decisions for Christ. However, both my wife and I accepted Jesus as children and were involved in ministry from a young age, and surveys have proven that a majority of Christian leaders were converted before the age of fourteen. Children can make life-changing decisions, and our church in Kenya proved it!



Gikaru (pictured above) was a quiet boy whose father passed away a few years after our arrival. His mother became very ill soon afterwards, and it was all she could do to raise Gikaru and his two younger brothers. She faithfully brought her sons to church, to soul-winning, to Bible study and was actively involved in the ministries of the church.

Gikaru, following his mother's example, was faithful and active for the Lord. He soon became a leader in the youth group and later enrolled in Bible college. Now as a husband, father, college graduate, and experienced ministry leader, he was recently voted in as senior pastor of the very church he grew up in as a boy! How rewarding to see the investment in a child pay off to this level! No wonder Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me." May we remember this the next time we see a little boy in church!



Until all nations hear,

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