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Location: Nairobi, KENYA

Mission: Christian education





## **Clothing and Care**

In March this year, Sarah, who runs Joy Children's Home (JCH), got a call from the Children's Officer. A baby girl – just one week old, had been found on the streets. She was with a "mad woman". No one knew where the real mother was. The abandoned baby Sibira had tummy problems caused by whatever she had been given as nourishment.

One month later, a four-day old baby girl was brought to the police station by a husband who believed his wife had faked a pregnancy. The wife was imprisoned for one month, but refused to divulge any details about the stolen baby. Fearing trouble from his in-laws, the husband asked for his wife's release. When baby Wema was taken to JCH, she cried day and night and was very sick.

By May, Sarah wanted to avoid the officer's phone calls! But another baby girl had been abandoned in a bush. This time, it had been raining when she was discovered naked at only two days old. It was one week later when Sarah went to collect the baby from hospital and found her lying unattended, still naked, left to die. Sarah gave her her own name and took her home.

Peter's case is very different from the three girls. His mother had struggled taking care of him for a year but he was so weak and malnourished, he couldn't walk. The mum left Peter with all his clothes, clinic card and a letter which said: "I am so certain brighter days are yet to come. And I know tomorrow there will be good times, I believe with every beat of my heart. Son it's your birthday and my wish for you is very simple just have the very best one can ever imagine. May the years ahead continue exceeding your blessings. Happy happy birthday." He has been at JCH for two months now and he is crawling.



## **Prayer points**

- Thank God for the four rescued babies now living in Joy Children's Home. Ask that their health and development will continue to progress.
- Pray that God will, in his goodness, supply for the practical needs of the home including food, clothing and committed staff.
- Pray for blessings on Sarah and her husband
  Jimnah as they shoulder the heavy burden of caring for these vulnerable children.
- Remember the TEE writing team as several of our meetings have been postponed due to members attending funeral services. The work on the guidebook for mentoring teens is nearly complete and we hope to finish it this month.

