

Naomi Leremore

Location: **Nairobi, KENYA**

Mission: **Christian education**



Empowering Children

Jane is a primary school head and a real encouragement to me as she shares enthusiastically about the positive impact the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) Crossing mentorship programme is having on her students. Here is her story:

"I learnt about the Crossing course from Rev Patrick Muthungu (the former TEE director) who happens to be my parish minister. Through him, we introduced the programme to Sunday School children and it really helped during the Covid 19 holiday when they were off school for nine months. We had noted the challenges facing our youths in the church and we saw the danger of children staying idle at home.

Then I shared the idea with my staff members in Kibwezi Primary School and they were happy about it. Together we checked through the mentorship manual and agreed to be having two teachers, preferably a male and a female, to take the children through the whole course. We make use of the clubs and activity time to meet the children on Wednesdays at 3.10 pm.

I later called for a parent's meeting and shared the same. Most parents liked the idea and the few that were feeling that it's an extra cost, paid for the books after the first term when the children reported to them how they were benefitting. This way we introduced the cost of the book as part of the school fees.



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We have received very positive reports from parents of children in the first group. They are in high school now, in Form Two, and have been appointed leadership positions in their respective schools. Their high school teachers report that they have high self-esteem.

We look forward to empowering more children to overcome the challenges of adolescence and attain the potential God has placed in their lives."



Naomi and Jane at the mission conference in February.

Prayer Points

- Praise God for Jane's passion to help the children under her care. Thank Him for those who have benefitted from taking the Crossing mentorship course and pray for them in their leadership positions in high school.
- Thank God for Rev Patrick Muthungu as he continues in his parish ministry. Pray for the Sunday School and for Kibwezi Primary School as the mentorship programme continues with the teens. Ask that the Holy Spirit will guide all the teachers mentoring them.
- Remember Naomi as she goes on a brief home assignment this month and pray for the meetings planned to take place. Especially lift up her husband Thomas, and sons - Aaron (15) and Silas (12) as they remain in Kenya.