



## Caring for Children of the Earth



PASSIONIST  
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We believe that every child should have the opportunity to an education. We are convinced that education is the best way to break the cycle of poverty.

In collaboration with the international Passionist communities in East Africa, we have been making real change happen since 2010. Through donations from students and friends of the Passionist Earth & Spirit Center, we have contributed over \$25,000 to help needy children in Africa.

We are proud of the fact that we have been able to initiate significant and enriching changes in the lives of so many underprivileged children. As a result of this success and the strengthening of our collaboration with the Passionists in Kenya, we have decided to embark on an expansion of our programs with this Caring for the Children of the Earth student fund drive.

Through any one of our three programs, you can support the children of Earth who most need help to improve their quality of life.

**Please join us in making real change happen.**



### PASSIONIST ORPHANAGE

Caring for Abandoned Children in Tonga, Kenya



### THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Providing College Grants to Gifted Disadvantaged Students



### STUDENT AID FUND

Offering Assistance to Needy Families



## PASSIONIST ORPHANAGE

Caring for Abandoned Children  
in Tonga, Kenya

The Passionist orphanage in the remote Kenyan village of Tonga was founded just a few years ago to care for children who have lost their parents to AIDS, are living in extreme poverty, or have been abandoned. It is home for 33 children ranging in age from 4 to 15 years, including some sibling groups. Boys and girls live in separate dormitories but attend the local school together.

The needs of the orphanage are great. Last year over 500 children applied. Plans are underway to improve and expand the facilities.

With a donation of \$500 you can "adopt" a child and cover all their expenses for one year. You will also be helping the orphanage feed, educate, and improve the lives of more children.

- \$500 provides an orphaned child's food, lodging and educational expenses for one year.
- \$250 provides for half of a child's needs for one year.



## THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

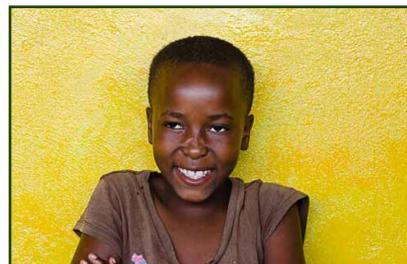
Providing College Grants to  
Gifted Disadvantaged Students

Every year, our partner Passionists in Kenya identify promising local secondary students who aspire to become professionals – teachers, nurses, doctors, political leaders, engineers – but whose families cannot afford college tuition and fees.

The Hope Scholarship Fund of Kenya provides financial assistance to fund a student throughout four years of college. The most needy and promising students are selected through an application process. Through this scholarship fund you can change the course of a young person's life forever.

- \$1000 – Visionary
- \$500 – Patron
- \$250 – Sponsor
- \$100 – Supporter
- \$50 – Friend

Children and Staff  
Passionist Orphanage  
Tonga, Kenya



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Offering Assistance  
to Needy Families

Three times each year, before school semesters begin, mothers line up outside the Passionist Retreat House in Nairobi, Kenya, seeking money to help with their children's tuition fees, school supplies and uniforms. The Passionist priests carefully screen each request.

Hundreds of children are helped annually through these small monetary handouts made at the door. A small gift of \$10, \$20 or \$50 can go a long way to preserve a family's dignity and recognize their ability to help themselves when given the appropriate resources.

**100% of every dollar goes  
directly to assist children  
and is tax-deductible.**



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*Together we can make a difference.*  
 Breaking the cycle of poverty  
 by providing an education for children in need.

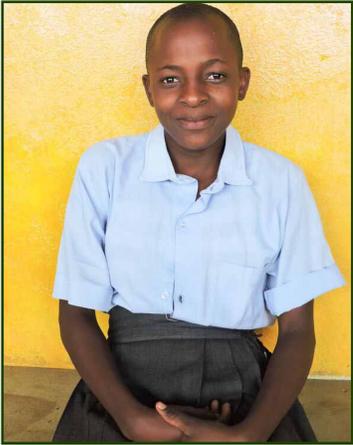
Please consider partnering with us by making a gift to support one or more of the initiatives in Kenya. A donation of whatever size fits your budget makes a difference.

The return on your investment will be significant! Dollars given to Africa go a long way. Plus, it can be tax deductible. We promise that 100% of whatever you contribute goes directly to your stated intention.

On behalf of the children, thank you.

*Joe Mitchell*  
 Fr. Joe Mitchell, CP  
 President

*Kyle Kramer*  
 Kyle Kramer  
 Executive Director



**RETURN PARTICIPATION FORM**

**Yes, I want to contribute to the Caring for Children of the Earth Africa Student Fund.** Please accept my gift:

- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Divide my donation between the African Student Fund projects as needed.
- \$ 500 I want to "adopt" a child at the Passionist Orphanage in Tonga, providing food, lodging and education **for one year**.
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Tonga Orphanage
- \$ 100 for Nairobi Student Fund
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Hope Scholarship Fund
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Nairobi Student Fund

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (PRIMARY) \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to "Passionist Monastery."** Since the Earth & Spirit Center's non-profit classification prevents it from collecting money to send overseas, donations to ministries in Africa are processed through the local Passionist Monastery. Donations can be tax deductible.

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