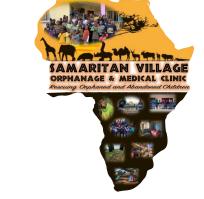
SAMARITAN VILLAGE ORPHANAGE AND MEDICAL CLINIC

July 1, 2021



Dear Pastor,

Did you know there is an **orphanage** in Tanzania **Africa** that has been rescuing orphaned and abandoned children for almost thirty years? AND, did you know that **orphanage** was founded by a small group of Christians right here in Yuba/Sutter? AND, did you know that **orphanage** continues to be overseen by a board of volunteers here in Yuba/Sutter?

Well, if you didn't know any of this, or even if you did know something about this orphanage, we'd like to help you understand even more about the incredible work God is doing to rescue abandoned children in Africa. Children such as Moses who was found by neighbors after he'd been placed in a wooden box, nailed shut so his crying wouldn't be heard, while his prostitute mother went out at night. Or Anna, whose mother asked a neighbor to watch her baby while she went to the store, then never came back. Or Simon, who was abandoned after his mother died of AIDS. Or Safina, who was left on a bus station bench after her mother asked strangers to watch her while she went to the restroom, then never returned.

These and hundreds more stories tell the beginning of the lives of the children brought to **Samaritan Village Orphanage**. But, a horrific beginning to life doesn't mean a hopeless future. It's for these children that Samaritan village was founded.

To help the churches in our area learn more about **Samaritan Village**, we are hosting a special **free banquet** for pastors and their entire church staff, including spouses. The event will be held at the 530 Event Center (1104 J Street, Marysville) on **October 1, 2021 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**. The dinner buffet will include an incredible menu of Indian, Mexican and American Food. You'll also hear from speakers who have been to the orphanage and listen to the incredible story of how the orphanage came to be, thanks to the vision of one woman named Elizabeth Mswai. Elizabeth grew up in Tanzania and witnessed first hand what happens to many orphaned and abandoned babies in Africa. God gave her a heart to do something to rescue these children, a heart she constantly

shared with Christians in America where she came to live in 1964. But, it wasn't until 1992 that her vision came true and Samaritan Village Orphanage was born.

Today over two hundred children have been rescued and brought to Samaritan Village. Most have been adopted by families while others have grown up at the orphanage. Currently there are more than fifty children living at the orphanage.

Finally, let me assure you this dinner is not a time share presentation. We aren't trying to sell anything. We simply want to reach out to the churches in our community to tell you of the opportunity to be blessed by having individuals, children's ministries, youth ministries or your church as a whole sponsor, support, pray for or visit the children at Samaritan Village. Children who can only be described as "the least of these."

In addition, we are hosting a week long visit to Samaritan Village early next year designed specifically for pastors and interested church staff. The cost will be around \$1,400 per person which includes airfare, accommodations, meals and a one-day **African Safari**. We'll also be putting the names of all those in attendance at the banquet in a hat (or African Basket) for a chance to win some African items . **One pastor will also win a free trip to the Pastors' Africa Trip.**

Oh, and as for the babies I mentioned earlier who all grew up at the orphanage, Moses is attending Bible College and plans to be a pastor. Anna, the first baby to come to Samaritan Village just graduated from Law School in Tanzania. Simon is in Medical School and Safina is attending the prestigious Saint Augustine University in Tanzania studying Mass Communication.

God Bless.

Larry Todd Chairman of the Board Vic Savage, DDS Vice Chairman of the Board

To RSVP for the banquet simply scan the QR code or email us at samaritanvo@gmail.com

You will also find the RSVP form on the website. Just go to the <u>Get Involved</u> Page. **We only need one form per church.**



To learn more about Samaritan Village Orphanage visit our website Samaritan Village Orphanage.org