

RAINING HOPE

“And he will send showers of rain so every field becomes a lush pasture.” Zechariah 10:1

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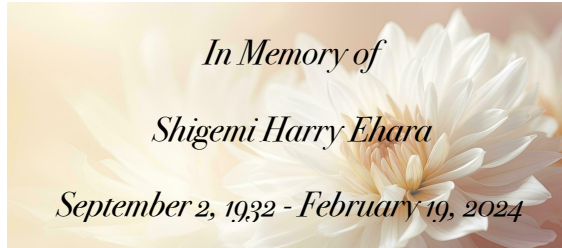
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To Our Dear Friends and Sponsors:

Since 2018, you have followed our family's journey of caring for our parents when our mom got sick. This involved living in the San Francisco Bay Area for two years as mom transitioned to a full time care facility. Dad was not able to live alone due to his own health challenges. He moved in with my sister, Melanie in Carson City, Nevada five years ago. Melanie & Phil did an amazing job caring for dad. I traveled back and forth to help Melanie with caregiving responsibilities. Last November, dad started having a series of strokes. His health began to decline but he stayed positive through it all. Dad spent the last couple of months at a rehab facility where he peacefully passed away at age 91 on the morning of February 19, 2024. Our family was with him that weekend. Grandpa was glad to see Kiana and Taylor before he slipped into the arms of Jesus the next morning. Thank you for your extra prayers, encouragement and support through these past six years. Mom is still doing well in Auburn. Her dementia is challenging but her health is good. My other sister, Cheryl is in Sacramento who helps check in on mom. There is a post on my Facebook page in tribute to our dad. *Love you, Mama Eydie*

In memory of Eydie's father I ask for your prayers for their family at this time. We don't know what each person's grief will look like, but we do know what the pain of loss feels like. You are faithful, praying souls who hold up the needs of all of Raining Hope to the Lord month after month. And we are so grateful. So bless you now as you come alongside of Eydie and her family in their hour of need. In Christ, Carol John

“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.” 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

COMPLIANCE UPDATE

We are so thankful for all we accomplished when we were faced with the **initial compliance requirements**. This was due to your immediate response. There is still more to accomplish in Phase 2.

With an effort to combat corruption, officials have closed up homes that are not implementing the operational rules or have illegal permits. Godfrey had to submit a work plan with **key requirements** to complete by **June 2024 in order to receive our official permit to operate**. If we don't complete all of these things by June 2024, we will be asked to dissolve and face penalties.

Here are items in Phase 2 that we need to complete by June 2024:

1. **A visiting doctor & nurse** for weekly visits. We need to create a **nursing space** separate from the office.
2. **Regular clothing budget** for personal hygiene.
3. **Purchase new chairs**. We already are close to covering the new couches. We also need to replace dining room chairs.
4. **Self-sustaining project/income generating activity** - We started this right before COVID. But the chickens we were raising had to be sold due to the outrageously high cost of feed during the pandemic.
5. **Community development project** - We had these in development before COVID. We are now being asked to implement them.
6. **A van**. We currently have one car. They require a standby vehicle for emergencies in case Godfrey is not home.
7. **Repairing the wall - partially complete - more work was needed than originally anticipated**
8. **COMPLETED** - New sign post
9. **COMPLETED** - Repairing the gate

We accomplished so much in a short time in order to initially comply. **We appreciate your prayers as we continue to complete all that is needed**. There is so much more to do in the lives of our Raining Hope family. We will have more details regarding the self-sustaining projects and community development project in the next newsletter as well as plans for raising funds. Continue to pray for the necessary funds for compliance. Any funds given towards this should be marked "COMPLIANCE". Please contact Carol John or Mama Eydie if you have any questions.

FIRST TERM SCHOOL FEES, SUPPLIES & BOARDING

Senior Secondary School

Joanne	Senior 6
Tamarah	Senior 6
Dan	Senior 4
Jemimah	Senior 3
Jael	Senior 1

Dreams & Goals

Nurse
Accountant
Business
Accountant
Doctor

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Senior Secondary School: \$2,227 or \$445 each

Primary School

Jireh	Primary 6	Drama
Hope	Primary 3	Pilot
Trust	Primary 2	

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Primary & Kindergarten School: \$849 or \$283 each

Post Secondary School/Trade School - INTERNSHIPS

Difasi	Hotel & Tourism	Tour Guide	\$ 205
		(Already covered \$164)	
Sophia	Fashion Design	Fashion Design	\$ 288
Joel	Electrical Installation	Electrician	\$ 178
Henry (Last term)	Business Computing	IT Technician	\$ 888

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Post Secondary School/Trade School \$1,559

GRAND TOTAL FOR STUDENT SCHOOL FEES, & BOARDING DUE NOW \$4,635

Sent -\$2,250

New Balance \$2,385

We appreciate you **joining us in prayer. Thank you for giving our students hope for their futures.**

They are extremely grateful to all of you for your support and your prayers.

Fees are currently due as they already started school without the required 70% of fees due.

UPDATE ON INTERNSHIPS:

Difasi is posted in Kasese District where Queen Elizabeth Park is located

Sophia is posted in Mbale City where Mt. Elgon is located

Joel is posted in Jinja City

Henry will be done with his business courses this year and has been performing well in school

Maria unfortunately did not pass all her courses. We are discussing what this means in terms of repeating courses

UPDATE ON PROMOTIONS & CANDIDATE CLASSES

Zuluta finished secondary school! She will join university courses in August

Jael completed primary school level! She promoted to secondary school level.

Tamarah, Joanne & Daniel are all in candidate classes this year to complete secondary level. They will do their national exams this year.



BUDGET: Pray for our monthly budget needs. Last year we were not able to send the full budget at the beginning of the month for most of the latter half of the year. **Compliance issues, higher school fees and an increase in the monthly radio costs** contributed to the monthly budget challenges. Godfrey has been making due by decreasing certain costs mainly in the area of food. Thank you for all who are monthly sponsors of the ministry. It has been a challenge with the loss last year of some larger donations. **We appreciate your prayers as we trust God to do what only He can do.**

SCHOOL FEES: The balance of \$2,385 is currently due. We want to clear the balance before students get sent home.

RADIO; We continue to **thank God for the Radio Ministry** and how God is using it to **reach many people with the gospel of Jesus Christ.** We have heard many testify about God's grace to heal them, lift them up and change them through our Radio Ministry. The messages on the radio have helped people grow in their walk with Christ. We have had testimony after testimony of those who have given their lives to Christ & how it has changed the lives of so many others. **Please keep our radio ministry in your prayers because the monthly cost for the radio ministry has increased from \$135 a month to \$160.** We have had a few sponsors who in the past gave directly to fund the radio ministry. Please keep this ministry in your prayers.

COMPLIANCE: We have been incredibly blessed by your gifts to help us stay open. We have much to **accomplish by June 2024.** Please join us in prayer. We want to be explained by the miraculous so God receives all the credit to do what only He can do.

HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO RAINING HOPE

CHECKS: Please mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go to such as **BUDGET, SCHOOL FEES, COMPLIANCE etc.** If multiple donations come in for a designated need, excess funds will be placed in the budget to cover the overall needs. If there is no designation it will go into the budget to use at our discretion.

Checks can be sent directly to our Treasurer, Carol John at 11832 Quince Mill Drive, North Potomac, MD 20878 or to our Raining Hope offices c/o Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Road #206, Ventura, CA 93003.

***CREDIT CARD:** On our website www.rainingshope.org choose DONATE. Follow the prompts.

***TEXT-TO-GIVE:** On your phone send a text to 844-544-7171 and text the phrase RAININGHOPE. Follow the prompts to give by credit card.



ZELLE: If your bank uses Zelle for money transfers you may send money instantly to Raining Hope.

***QR CODE:** Scan this QR code. **Follow the prompts to give by credit card.**



If you have any questions about ways to give, please contact Carol John - carol@rainingshope.org. All donations are tax deductible. Raining Hope Incorporated is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization.

Note: * These methods of donating require a credit card. Raining Hope pays 2.5% to 3% on these gifts. There is an option for the donor to pay all or some of the credit card fees.