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Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this:  
*to look after orphans and widows in their distress* and to  
keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

James 1:27

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# 2012 A Look Back

# CHILDREN ARE PEOPLE—KENYA

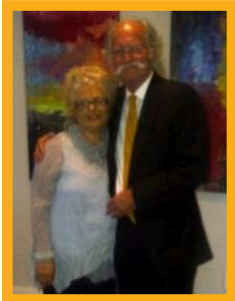
## PASTOR JOHN & TABITHA GARANG



In February, Pastor John and Tabitha Garang welcomed a new addition to their family, a baby boy they named Israel. In April, Children Are People helped provide an Easter celebration, which included cookies and soda (quite a special treat for the children!). April 2012 brought challenges for John, Tabby and the staff that help care for

the 117 children living in Kenya as they faced a chickenpox outbreak. Attending to their medical needs was more than a full-time job for all of the care takers. The children returned to school in May 2012 after their typical break from classes in the month of April.

In August 2012, Pastor John made his first trip to the United States, staying through November. John initially came to receive medical treatment for an ongoing infection in his leg after stepping on a land mine (aka RPG) when he was a child soldier. After being seen by a physician in Mississippi, we learned severe dental disease was causing his illness and creating a secondary infection in his leg. Thanks to the generosity of the dentist he visited, John underwent extensive and costly dental treatment that ultimately saved his life.



Receiving the medical care needed was just the beginning of the blessings that occurred while John was in the United States. Through his visit, Children Are People, Inc. became acquainted with the Guest family of Oxford, Mississippi who support Mama

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Doris Stotlar. Mama Doris founded Bungoma Bible School in Kenya where John graduated and lived. The Guest family of Oxford, Mississippi purchased the land where Pastors John and Tabitha's church now stands. Children Are People, Inc. President, Dixie Koch, and Treasurer, Pam Cadwell, traveled to Mississippi in September to meet



*Eric Edwards, teacher from McAllen, Texas.*

with the Mississippi supporters. New relationships were formed and plans to collaborate are among the many new and exciting happenings of 2012.

Pastor John returned to Kenya in November after three months away from his family and the children for whom he cares. A welcome home party was held for John and all were delighted he returned safely and healthy! In December, while the children are on holiday, Christmas festivities were enjoyed. Michael, Michelle, Sophia and Noah Mosley along with their friend, Eric Edwards traveled to Kenya to celebrate Christmas with Pastor John and the children.

New Year's Day Will Guest, a longtime friend of John's and videographer/journalist, Russ Jones joined the team.



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## HOSTING A TEAM FROM AMERICA

### DEC. 25, 2012—JAN. 13, 2013



The team arrived in Nairobi where they were welcomed with loving arms by John and Tabitha Garang. They rested for the evening in the Methodist Missionary Hotel in Nairobi. The first day the team traveled for eight hours by bus to Moi's Bridge, arriving to be welcomed by a number of people from Word of Life church who serve with Children Are People—Kenya.



During the day we were able to walk in the steps of Pastor John, helping him in serving all of those in the ministry of Children Are People. In the evenings the team enjoyed time singing and praying with the children in the evenings at John's house. Some of the things we enjoyed were playing soccer with children, fellowship in the Word with the young men and women, and conversations as we broke bread. Regardless of the African

storms or sunshine, overall the time resting in Him with Children Are People proved to be refreshing and a real joy during our team's journey. While there, the Mosley's were so touched by the work being done, plans to relocate to Kenya have been made by the family. Michael, his wife who is a nurse, and two children will soon be moving to Kenya to help support John and Tabitha in the ministry and care for the Sudanese children.

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### DEC. 25, 2012—JAN. 13, 2013

Below are some bullet points regarding the team's time under the care of Pastor John and Children Are People—Kenya:

- *We all had the opportunity to preach and fellowship with Word of Life Church.*
- *Traveled to Bungoma to visit Momma Doris and the Bungoma Bible School.*
- *We were hosted by Pastor Emmanuel at the "Mission of Mercy Medical Dispensary" in Bungoma.*
- *Enjoyed beautiful sunsets while traveling to and from Bungoma.*
- *Eric Edwards spent time tutoring the children in Mois Bridge.*
- *Danced in the New Year with Word of Life members at their New Year service.*
- *Fellowship New Year day with Tabitha Garang's family.*
- *Opportunity to preach and fellowship during the "lunch hour" service at Word of Life Church.*
- *Many of us travelled to Kisumu, where we enjoyed a Nature Conservancy near Lake Victoria and had a chance to go to the equator.*
- *Eric Edwards and a few people traveled to Uganda to visit the source of the Nile river and climb Mt. Elgon.*
- *The team was able to spend some time touring the school campuses around Moi's Bridge, and exploring the environment in which the children are educated.*
- *Russ Jones spent some time in Eldoret with Form 3 & 4 children and their teachers.*

A team consisting of Pastor John, Michael, Will and Russ traveled to South Sudan. In Juba the team met with John's family, explored a potential future location and for building a school for Children Are People-South Sudan. The team spent time in Juba visiting medical clinics and evaluating potential partnership opportunities.

The team spent two days traveling to Bor to visit John's mother and fellowship with the local church. While in South Sudan, the team became familiar with the loving culture and was introduced to the demanding environment of the region.

# OTHER EVENTS of 2012



*John's brother, John, John's mother, Will Guest, John's sister-in-law. When the team traveled to South Sudan, they spent some time with John's mother who still lives in the village.*

*Celebration of South Sudan, first birthday as a country.*



*Visiting the "Lost Boys of Sudan" in Chicago.*

John Akunguet Garang meeting John Dut Kuol in Chicago. Tears of joy! They last saw each other when they left the village in Sudan at age 12. We found John Dut on the internet. Amazing!

John Akunguet was able to attend the "Lost Boys" conference in Chicago that happened to convene while Pastor John was in Illinois. He reconnected with others from his village too. What a God divine appointment for all of the Lost Boys.

# OTHER EVENTS of 2012

*John's visit to the United States, fall of 2012. Preaching and sharing in churches and homes throughout Mississippi and Texas.*



*Visiting with pastors in Oxford, Mississippi.*

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## SIRITANYA CHILDREN'S HOME

### BISHOP O'GARA

*January 2012 Bishop and Emily O'Gara received five new boys from the Kenyan government. They now have clothes and shoes, food and shelter, education and God's love.*



*CAP provided funds for new wiring in the large study room in the children's home. No excuse not to study now.*



*The children's Christmas celebration was a meal and a field trip to this park. They hardly ever leave the property except to go to school. This was a special day.*





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## PASTOR DAVIDSON, MT. ELGON

Pastor Davidson, Mt. Elgon, Kenya, is shown with three children who needed help going to school. They had no lunch or school supplies and fees. Children Are People helped send them for one quarter. Their teachers gave them lunch. More help is needed.

The picture below right shows Pastor Davidson speaking at a community seminar. He is so instrumental on peace keeping among different tribes. "We can have differences without violence" is his message. (He is seen here wearing a suit donated by one of CAP's supporters.)



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PASTOR THOMAS, ELDORET



Pastor Thomas and his wife, Hellen, have a small church in Eldoret. Here is a picture of his members putting tin on a timber structure. It served them nicely until this year their landlord decided to sell the land. They will disassemble the building and move it to

another piece of land nearby. Pray they find a place and all goes well for their church.

Pastor Thomas (pictured below) with his brother, sister, wife and (front row) his niece, sons Aaron and Timothy. Due to his drunken, abusive father, his mother and another brother now live with him in a two bedroom home.

Pastor Thomas helps Pastor John with the Sudanese children and is supported by CAP so his siblings and children can go to school. A pastor cannot support his family from the church offerings, so many find supplemental support or other work they can do.



# CHILDREN ARE PEOPLE— PHILIPPINES



*Children Are People – Philippines*

An exciting new connection was made in 2012 with a missionary named Crystal Clapp working in the Philippines under Youth with a Mission (YWAM). Crystal lived near us growing up, but is living and working in Albany to rescue children from the streets. Presently the children live with Crystal on the YWAM base, but CAP hopes to one day be able to help provide a home for the children.

## CHILDREN ARE PEOPLE—QUINCY, ILLINOIS, USA

Redman and Lee Community Center has an “After School” program that includes a dinner meal. Children Are People contributed funds for the feeding program. No need to travel to Africa to find hungry children in need.

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1. If you shop on eBay...we are now registered with them as a non-profit. You can designate a percent of your transaction to us!
2. You can donate from our website via PayPal.
3. Send checks to CAP at PO Box 5113, Quincy, IL 62306

*Children Are People, Inc. is a U.S. based, Christian ministry providing for children in poor areas of the world. We assist children in several sites of Kenya, East Africa, and have branched out into the Philippines. Our hope is to reach the children of South Sudan as God opens the doors for finances and travel. Land given to us by the South Sudanese government awaits us. We are a registered 501c3 charitable organization, making all contributions tax deductible.*

*Thank you all for your generous support for reaching children in need.*

*Gratefully yours,*

*Dixie Koch*

*Founder and Director of CAP*