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## FUM Announces Summer Mission Project

You are invited to participate in this year's **Summer Mission Project: Water of Life.**

At 10 years old, Grace is responsible for fetching water for her family. She walks four miles to fill two containers. The return walk will mean carrying about 40 pounds of water every step of the way. The water source is a stream of muddy water, contaminated by animal and human waste. Numerous bacteria and parasites live in the water Grace brings back to her family, yet not one person in her family will think twice about drinking the water.

Little education on the importance of clean water has reached Grace's village. What they know is water is life. Without it, they will not live long. So, Grace carries water for the family.

Even though Grace's two brothers go to school, Grace is not able to get an education because she must carry the water for the family. Grace will never learn to read or write. She will never be able to pursue dreams of her own.

Friends United Meeting is working with contractors to bring clean water to villages in Kenya just like Grace's village. From bio-sand water filters that purify the dirty water, to wells and boreholes that bring the clean, fresh water up from beneath the earth's surface, we want to bring clean water to the people of Kenya this year.

**This year's Summer Mission Project goal is to raise \$10,000 to give the water of life to people in Kenya.** It costs roughly \$60 for a bio-sand water filter and about \$2,500 for a borehole in western Kenya. The deeper boreholes in the Turkana desert can run upwards of \$10,000.

Water is life. Without your help, these children will not live a long, fulfilling life. Please give generously so all the Graces in Kenya can fill their jugs at a clean well close to home and be able to attend school for a brighter future.

Water is life. Will you give life to the people of Kenya?



# Turkana Friends Mission

Turkana Friends Mission was started in 1970 by Ersal and Dorothy Kindel and two students from Friends Theological College. Turkana, located in the northern part of Kenya, is a region familiar with hot temperatures, harsh winds, frequent droughts and limited resources for development. John Moru is pastor at Turkana Friends Mission.

## Achievements of the Mission in 2009:

- Members were mobilized to make contributions to support the construction of a meetinghouse.
- Leadership development — locals were trained to take responsibility of Friend's church leadership in terms of Quaker faith and practice procedures.
- Sponsorship to promote girl-child education — six girls are currently in the sponsorship program and more than 20 girls have benefited from these programs since 1997.
- Lokoyo hand pump was repaired and it is in use by the community and school children.
- We supported two students at Friends Theological College.

## Needs of the Mission in 2010:

- Our old vehicle is grounded — we need mobility for our director who coordinates mission work.
- Water is life — all new areas and stations need water.
- Our primary school needs a boarding facility — a dormitory for girls and boys to increase the enrollment in the schools.
- Currently we have five units of rental housing and we need 15 more — these are income generating and help pay for staff salaries while creating a self-sustaining mission.
- Health facilities for the needs of our members — mobile clinics or dispensaries in remote areas.



*Above:  
A Turkana  
woman uses  
a bio-sand  
water filter.*

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