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Left to right: Judith Ngoya,  
John Muhanji, and Eden Grace

\*\$40,000 represents the annual operating costs for the Africa Ministries Office. It does not include salaries for John Muhanji (FUM staff) or Eden Grace (FUM field staff).

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"If God ever makes a mistake, let it start with me. Then I will be on record as being the first mistake God made." These are the words spoken by **John Muhanji** to those who believed he was making a grave mistake when he accepted the position of director of the Africa Ministries Office in Kisumu, Kenya, in 2005. From a banker making good money to a paid staff working for Quakers in East Africa, this change seemed like a mistake to many who were close to John, yet John felt the call of God upon his life. John saw possibilities where others saw impossibilities. John saw opportunities where others saw darkness. He saw the missions in a totally different way than others were seeing FUM.

**Eden Grace** joined John in Kisumu in 2005 as FUM field staff and the Africa Ministries Office was founded with four priorities: leadership training and development, evangelism and outreach, communication, and global partnership. **Judith Ngoya** was added to the staff of the Africa Ministries Office as office assistant in the third year.

Today, the Africa Ministries Office encompasses 16 East African yearly meetings. In addition to providing support to over 300,000 Friends, the AMO focuses its work on seven project partners: **Friends Kaimosi Mission Hospital, Lugulu Friends Mission Hospital, Turkana Friends Mission, Samburu Friends Mission, Lindi Friends School, Friends Theological College, and Friends Church Peace Team.** But the partner projects are not the only responsibility of our FUM staff:

- The work of John Muhanji includes building a network of the education leaders so that Quaker values are more consistently taught in the 2,200 Friends schools. John also brings together yearly meetings for activities such as building churches, responding to disasters, and for leadership development.
- Eden Grace's work includes financial oversight of all FUM related activities in Kenya and Uganda. She also arranges for and hosts international travelers. She is an expert record keeper and has improved the integrity of the business of FUM.
- Judith Ngoya, a graduate of Friends Theological College and a pastor, has essential skills in communication with our African yearly meeting leaders and is invaluable in providing a constant presence at the FUM Africa Ministries Office. She is responsible for staffing all FUM committees in East Africa.

Yet, despite all the work, John says, "I have no stress. I am never stressed, even when things don't go right. God always stands in my way. God is in control."

Life is an interesting journey, but God is in control. Mission work in East Africa requires a strong heart. It requires you to be brave. It requires you to not look behind, but to look ahead. It requires you to see possibilities and opportunities. It requires you to let go and let God be in control.

**The Africa Ministries Office needs you to be part of this great ministry, to work together, to pray, stand, encourage, and support one another.** It is your financial support that allows the Africa Ministries Office to continue to provide leadership development, evangelism, communication, and global partnership to the Friends in Kenya, Uganda, Congo, Tanzania, Rwanda, and Burundi. **The annual cost to run the Africa Ministries Office is \$40,000.\* We have set a goal to raise this by October 1. Your donation today can help us meet that goal.**

  
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**We believe FUM is doing the work God has called us to and invite you to tune in to that ministry by sharing from the gifts that God has entrusted to you.**

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