



Annual Report 2019-2020

Baraka site Nanyuki, Kenya



Chalice has partnered with the Carmelite Brothers of Mary Immaculate (CMI) from India in the rural regions surrounding the small town of Nanyuki since 2005. Families in the area struggle with food insecurity, and there are high rates of malnutrition. In addition to sponsorship, the site runs a farming program which allows them to produce food on school land to supplement school feeding and use the schools as demonstration centres. Family circles provide complementary services including training, subsidized farming inputs, storage, and transport.

Child



- This year, Baraka site enrolled 232 new children into the sponsorship program, going from 419 to 651.
- The site serves 12 children with disabilities who do not attend school and 3 babies. For these children, the site ensured they had access to proper nutrition, hygiene items and medical care.
- The site provided one child a wheelchair and mobility training.
- During the school closures, the Baraka office opened their space to university students as a study area.
- The site also organized skills training lessons for children at all age levels to take lessons in hair dressing, cake making, beadwork, yoghurt making, detergent making and making beautiful Christmas cards for their sponsors.
- The site organized lessons for the children facilitated by motivational speakers and counsellors coupled with a youth empowerment and life skills training.

Family

- The site enrolled 234 families from 11 villages to the sponsorship program.
- 197 parents/guardians joined family circles, going from 404 to 601 (representing 48% growth).
- The number of family circles increased from 23 to 34, a 47% increase.
- Both returning and new parents were actively involved in family circle activities that included:
 - micro financing,
 - buying households items,
 - gardening,
 - community support to those who are sick, orphaned, elderly or have lost their properties through fire accidents and flooding,
 - visiting the sick and the aggrieved and suffering following the loss of loved ones to offer prayers, food baskets, water and firewood.



Community

- Baraka site educated 82 youth from our communities in life skills and better nutrition.
- Staff provided nutrition training for 147 youth and adults - mostly mothers.
- Staff also conducted workshops in hygiene in nutrition for teenage girls and boys.
- Baraka carried out 76 psychosocial support sessions with individuals and families.
- They provided basic needs to the elderly, the sick and special children by providing essential foods, clothing, diapers, beddings, medication, dairy goats for milk to a sick child who requires nutritious goat milk.
- For those who are landless, Baraka site provided to each a portion of land that is well irrigated for them to grow food for their families.
- Together with the community members, staff restored the dignity of families who lost their houses and household belongings through fire accident and floods by constructing 6 houses, a toilet and provided clothes and other household essentials.

