

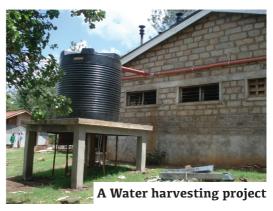
2012 Spring Newsletter

200 Not Out

The Kenya Trust became a charitable trust in 2004 and quite recently passed the £200,000 mark with its fund raising efforts.

Whilst Trustees' efforts have initiated the raising of this sum we are all mindful of the fact that this milestone could not have been reached without the many regular helpers and donors who have supported us through these seven and a half years. Previous newsletters have provided details of what has been achieved in Kenya during this time and you can view these newsletters on our web-site **www.thekenyatrust.org.uk**. In addition to this we are always pleased to receive enquiries for information or invitations to speak about our work – so please get in touch with us using the contact information on page 4. We would be delighted to have the opportunity to provide further details about our projects in Kenya and how, particularly The Salvation Army's work there, is benefitting from our UK support.

During the last 12 months the Kenya Trust has responded to the severe drought condition experienced particularly in the northern part of the country. £4000 was sent to the Salvation Army in Kenya enabling them to immediately react to this crisis by organising water tankers to transport water from Nairobi to some of the more severe drought-stricken areas. Projects to harvest water, ease the hardship of poverty and hunger, and those that improve the conditions and care for disabled children are always at the top of our priority list. Over the years your



support has also enabled the Trust to positively impact the lives of children who have lost a parent, or both, through HIV/AIDS and other diseases. As we help in providing them a better futures we help ourselves in being what God wants us to be – 'whatever you did for one of the least of these my brothers, you did for me'. (Matthew. 25:40)

During 2011 **£5,000** was also donated to enable essential refurbishment work to be carried out at the Nairobi Girls Training School and Joytown (Thika) Junior School which houses a special needs unit.

At the end of 2011 **Marshall Currie**, the project officer in Nairobi, returned to his native Australia with his family after 8 years of service in Kenya. The Trust worked closely with Marshall and we will miss him and wish him well as he settles back home. We are now looking forward to working with **Richard Bradbury** who took up the post of projects officer in Nairobi on April 1st.

To ALL our supporters we say a big 'Thank you'. We greatly appreciate your encouragement and support.

Music Support

The Kenya Trust's music programme continues to support the music development in the Kenya East territory and in 2011 a **Territorial Music Leaders Seminar** (the 10th of its kind) was held at Karen, close to Nairobi. This seminar, along with music schools and many other music tutorial activities held over the years since 1998, has been significant in producing good musical leaders and musicians. Music making has never been stronger than it currently is in Kenya and The Salvation Army's evangelical programme is the richer for it.

In November The Salvation Army in Kenya celebrated its 90th **Anniversary** having held the first official meetings in Nairobi in 1921. The Kenya Trust (TKT) was invited to have a representation at this event and two trustees travelled to Nairobi to participate in these celebrations. During their stay they visited Kibera, a large slum township on the edge of Nairobi where TKT has invested



heavily in sponsorship over the years. They took with them clothes and gifts for the children and sets of tune books for the rapidly growing Kibera Band. Other visits during the week long stay included those to the **Thika School for the Visually Impaired, Joytown Primary School, Variety Village and the Instrument Repair Workshop in Nairobi.** These establishments have all benefitted from TKT funding, the latter being set-up to help protect the investment of the hundreds of instruments sent, and continuing to be sent, to Kenya by the Trust.

The annual 'Into Africa' concerts at both Bristol (Easton) and Staines proved resounding successes in both music making and fund raising. The **South West Fellowship Band** and the **Choral Quartet** *ffourtissimo* produced a fine evening of music at Bristol. The quartet on its first visit there created a great impression.

At Staines Andrew Justice (trombone) and Sarah Denyer (vocal) were joined by Deryck Diffey (cornet) from Toronto in Canada to make up a trio of guest soloists displaying excellent talent. To cap it all legendary cornet player Derek Smith, visiting from New York, joined Deryck in a cornet duet. As if this wasn't enough the Staines based Choral Group 'Hallelujah Anyhow' thrilled the audience with their presentation of songs and Staines Band provided capable accompaniments to the instrumental soloists as well as contributing band items.

Thanks go to all performing guests for giving their time and talents free in assisting the work of the Trust.

In April 2012 a **Territorial Brass Music School** is being held in Nairobi. The trust is indebted to **Bristol Easton Corps** for its **£1000** sponsorship donation.







Dates for Your Diary

Saturday June 16th 2012 - 7:00pm INTO AFRICA

featuring Generation Brass (Dr Stephen Cobb)
with Andrew Piper – Clarinet
Thomas Fountain – Cornet
and ffourtissimo
supported by Staines Songsters

Tickets can be obtained from The Salvation Army Resource Centre, Woodthorpe Road, Ashford, Middlesex, TW15 3JY. Tel No: 01784 423424

November 10th

BRISTOL EASTON's 'Into Africa' Concert

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