



## WHAT'S POPPING AT SPUR

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## THE 'A' SUMMIT

The 'A' Summit is our annual gathering where we invite stakeholders, friends and supporters to share the year's feedback as we also give thanks.

We had our 2021 'A' Summit at Marsh Park Hotel along Ngong Road with the theme 'Education'. Where we shared our 2021 journey with our sponsored children. We reminisced on our success stories, challenges and the way forward.

One of our greatest achievements this year is to start a pilot program in Kisumu (west of Kenya). We currently have 10 fully sponsored children in this new location.

We also take pride in our supporters, mentors and friends who stood with us this year through resources and prayers.

# ELIMISHA PROGRAM

The Elimisha program seeks to help families within the community who cannot sponsor the education of their children through paying for their school fees and providing other amenities that can facilitate their education. However, Covid-19 came with adverse effects on our Parents economic activities, our workers visited a few families that are struggling and gave them food packs.

We also visited children in Schools. Even though the school calendar was made longer than usual this year, our sponsored children are coping well with the tight school calendar and are putting effort in their studies.

We recently started rolling out the 2022 application for potential Elimisha candidates. We intent to recruit kids within the community that have the potential of academic prowess but are unable to afford the expenses of education.

## Children School Break

On the weekend of 19th November, most of our sponsored children took a break from the busy school schedule.

The organization took this opportunity to spend time with sponsored children, a good number of them mentioned that the break was a good getaway from the busy school life.

In addition, we had time for fun games with our sponsored children through group mentorships. We also had them write letters and a few cards to their sponsors before heading back to school. It's safe to say that it was a wonderful weekend for the both the organization and our sponsored children.



# PIC'S SPEAK



*Staff sharing a fun moment with some of the stakeholders in the 'A' Summit.*



*Sue and a guest speaker during Bingwa girls' conference.*



*One on one mentorship session between Quinter and Sarah.*



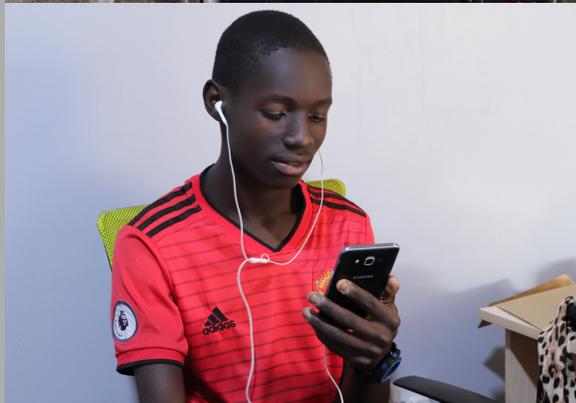
*Our Director, Patrick, sharing some of our achievements at the Summit.*



*Walking in the runway! Bingwa girls' fashion show.*



*Our friend from WRA (Sandra) leading discussion on GBV.*



## MENTORSHIP

### Mentorship Catch-Up

Our annual Mentors Catch Up is a day set aside towards the end of the year for our mentors as a reward for the good work they have done all year round.

Our hope is that during this time the mentors are able to interact with one another, share experiences and exchange views on how their mentees can benefit even further from them while having fun. This year during the event we received 7 new mentors.

We would like to thank all the mentors who graced us with their presence during our Mentors' Catch up! We hope to spend more fun time with you during the Mentors training in January 2022. Asante Sana!

### One on One Mentorship

We not only aim at ensuring that children from the community get access to education, we also aim to raise wholesome individuals that would add value to the community. To ensure this, the mentorship program is one of the effective programs that help us achieve this goal.

Our one on one mentorship meetings have been fairing well. Mentors have actively been meeting their mentees at the Spur Afrika Centre and some go an extra mile to visit them in their home.

We extend our gratitude to all committed mentors for investing their time and resources in our sponsored children.

## BINGWA GIRLS

Bingwa (Champion) Girls is a program that allows us to provide various forms of assistance to vulnerable girls within our community.

In partnership with WRA (White Ribbon Alliance) and other friends we held our 2021 Annual Bingwa Girls Conference on the 19th of November. The event was graced by 79 girls from St. Juliet Primary School Kibera.

The most interesting thing this year was the fact that the girls on their own came up with the conference theme, *'I am a Light of My Generation!'* The main activity was to wrap up the year with summary of the topics on self-care, periods and premenstrual symptoms. Other activities included talent show where they danced and recited poems, fashion show where they were able to put their artistic hobbies to action. We also gifted each girl undergarments and three packets of sanitary towels along with a tooth brush and tooth paste for their oral hygiene.

### Sixteen Days Activism Against GBV

Gender Based Violence has been a part of our society longer than anyone can remember. Hence, various organizations have stood up to prevent the rise of the victims of Gender Based Violence. As the world celebrates 16 days of activism against GBV, we partnered with White Ribbon Alliance, an organization that advocates for the rights of women, girls and young adolescents and CREAM KENYA, (a feminist organization with a mission to champion, expand and actualize women's & girls' rights and social justice) to create awareness on GBV and sensitize our parents who are victims of GBV.

The forum created a safe space for them to discuss and learn from each other. Each parent was provided with a food pack to take home.



# SPECIAL PROGRAMS

## B.A.M (Business As Mission)

BAM as a special program aims to help young entrepreneurs within the Kibera community with information that they can implement in their businesses to achieve success.

BAM (Business as Missions) phase two and three took place during the first week of October and November respectively. In phase two, the participants met different coaches individually, and one coach remotely, they took a deeper dive into planning their businesses and finances.

Phase three was a little bit different as all participants met their coaches remotely. In phase two we had 20 young entrepreneurs attend and in phase three we had 17 young entrepreneurs.

Hopefully the skills attained in this year's training will help participants to set up sustainable profit making businesses that will help them feed their families.



# IT'S CHRISTMAS!

Christmas came early for our sponsored children courtesy of Swahiba Networks; a Christian organization whose primary focus is on marginalized, underprivileged and destitute communities in Kenya.

Our 114 sponsored children each received a pair of shoes as an early Christmas gift. A big thank you to our friends over at Swahiba for the generous gift to our sponsored children.



## Christmas Love Box:

Every end of year we aim to give Christmas food baskets to families that our sponsored children come from parents. This year we are excited to rally our friends to help us come up with personal Christmas presence for each sponsored child. We have dubbed the campaign Christmas Love Box. Our main aim is to ensure that all our 124 children (110 in Nairobi and 10 in Kisumu) receive a special gift.

