

ACK DIOCESE OF MARSABIT

SPECIAL ISSUE ON DIOCESAN EDUCATION EFFORTS
and other Testimonies

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VOICE OF HOPE

Introduction: Celebrating Educational Milestones and Community Support



Beloved in Christ,
It is with great joy and humility that I welcome you all as we receive to updates on the progress and achievements of our educational initiatives within the ACK Diocese of Marsabit and many other milestones. This coverage not only marks a significant milestones in our journey but also reaffirms our commitment to nurturing the minds and spirits of our youth through quality education rooted in Christian values. As we reflect on our journey, we recognize the tremendous dedication and effort put forth by our educators, partners, and community members.

Initiatives such as ACK Wings Academy, St. Andrew's Boys High School, and ACK Elazar Girls High School exemplify our collective vision of fostering an environment where our children can thrive both academically and spiritually. Today, we will share stories of hope, resilience, and the transformative impact of education in our communities. Together, we will explore the ongoing support for those in need, including initiatives aimed at aiding internally displaced families, which remind us of our responsibility to provide care and compassion to our neighbors. Let us approach this updates with open hearts and minds, ready to engage, reflect, and contribute to our mission of uplifting one another in love and service. I encourage each of you to be inspired by the testimonies and insights shared today,

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knowing that our efforts are building a brighter future not only for our children but for our entire community. May we be guided by God's wisdom and grace as we begin this celebration. Thank you for being here today, and may our unity in purpose inspire greater impact in all that we do."
– Rt. Rev. Daniel Wario
Qampicha,
Bishop of ACK
Diocese of
Marsabit

A Humble Beginning with a Powerful Vision



Nursery pupils with their teachers- wings Academy

From a Nursery School to a Thriving Education Network: The Journey of ACK Wings Academy, St. Andrew's Boys, Elazar Girls & the Future ACK Tumaini Girls High in Sololo

What started as a small nursery school, supported by the ACK Diocese of Marsabit in partnership with Cargo Human Care, has grown into a network of thriving institutions dedicated to educational excellence and transformation. Initially, the partnership focused on providing meals for nursery students, ensuring they had the nutrition needed to learn. As the students advanced and more children joined, the partnership expanded to a two-classroom block structure, laying the foundation for what would become ACK Wings Academy. The numerous visits by President for Cargo Human care Mr. Fokko Doyen and Gerhard was instrumental building the partnership that progressed in development of both personnel and infrastructure to current standard.

Bishop Qampicha

"Our vision was clear—to establish a strong Anglican education network in Marsabit that upholds Christian values while setting a high academic standard. It all began with ACK Wings Academy, a small nursery school that grew into a full-fledged institution, nurturing young learners and setting them on the path to success. St. Andrew's Boys was the next step, followed by the launch of our first Anglican girls' high school, ACK Elazar, in 2024. Now, we are preparing for a third girls' high school in Sololo. Step by step, we are ensuring that both boys and girls have access to quality education rooted in faith and excellence."

first class of 54 girls with Admin-Elazar girls 2024



first class st Andrews-2022



students engaged in sports



wings school admin block



first group for KCPE



president Fokko at an education day function 2024



students pose with new textbooks



president Fokko and Gerhard



Kitchen-Wings academy



students perform cultural Dances



NEW! Junior Secondary school



President Fokko and His colleague Gerhard unveiled The admin. block



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second class of students 2023

ACK Wings Academy: The Foundation for Success

- ✓ First KCPE Candidates (2021): 30 students sat for national exams, marking a major milestone.
- ✓ Infrastructure Development: Additional teachers were recruited, and plans began for an administration block, water tanks, and a dining hall.
- ✓ Outstanding Performance: Many students passed their KCPE exams, with a large percentage of boys qualifying for ACK St. Andrew's Boys High School in 2022.

ACK St. Andrew's Boys High School: A New Era in Education

With the rising demand for secondary education, the Diocese in partnership with ARDF took the next step—establishing ACK St. Andrew's Boys High School in May 2022.

- ✓ Started with 28 students, 7 teachers, and 4 support staff.
- ✓ Grew to 180 students within two years, with two fully functioning streams.
- ✓ Holistic Development: Students engage in academic, co-curricular, and spiritual growth.
- ✓ Success: St. Andrew's Boys has become a leading institution, with students expected to excel in the coming national exams.

The construction and operationalization of ACK St. Andrew's Boys High School was made possible through the generous support of our ARDF development partners, who funded key infrastructure including classrooms, dormitories, multi purpose hall, a science lab, administration block, and library. The land was graciously donated by the Anglican Ote Soke family, while Cargo Human Care has supported many students. The Diocese oversaw construction, staffing, fencing, and the overall running of the school. We thank God for these impactful partnerships.

A Message from the Principal



"Education is the foundation of a brighter future. At ACK St. Andrew's Boys High School, we are not just building scholars—we are shaping responsible and well-rounded individuals."

Silvester Omondi

School Captain Says



"A.C.K St. Andrew's Boys High School is more than an academic institution—it is a place of holistic growth, where students are nurtured spiritually and intellectually. With a conducive learning environment, well-equipped facilities, and dedicated teachers, we are empowered to excel both in faith and education."

Halakhe Wako Bakaye,
(School Captain)



Groundbreaking led by Canon Macdonald



Bishop Qampicha joins in the groundbreaking



ground breaking for a multi-purpose dining hall-2024



Tree Planting



Brick laying



dormitory inspection



2nd 100,000 litre tank



students pose in front of the admin block



3rd class registration



School receives an award for excellent performance 2023



science lab



school entrance



first dormitory cap. 80 students



The school's library



Partners and school management



First class of students in class 2022



ACK Elazar Girls High School: Empowering Young Women

With the success of ACK Wings Academy and St. Andrew's Boys, the vision for Elazar Girls High School was born, ensuring girls also had access to quality education. The diocese purchased land near Wings academy and through the generous assistance from Elazar and his Family construction began and today we have Elazar Girls.

- ✓ Founded in January 2024, welcoming 55 Form One students, with 24 fully sponsored by Cargo Human Care.
- ✓ Built with 2 classrooms, an administration block, a 56-capacity dormitory, and a temporary kitchen.
- ✓ New Facilities Added: A water tower, computers for ICT studies, a permanent kitchen, and a dining hall.
- ✓ Expansion Plans: 2 additional classrooms, a new dormitory, and a modern library to prepare for Grade 10 in 2025.



**Joseph Muli,
Principal**

🎙️ "This has been a journey of trusting God, and we have seen His faithfulness. With quality facilities, I am optimistic that our students will stay motivated and make the most of this opportunity." –



Deputy Principal

When you educate a girl, you empower a generation. Our girls face many challenges, but with education, they gain the confidence and skills to shape a better future for themselves and their communities."

– Ms. Faith, Deputy Head Teacher, Elazar Girls High School



**Rimas, School
President**

🎙️ "Being pioneers, we are so grateful for the resources we have, which are not available in many schools. We promise that by 2027, we shall shine!" –



Elazar's Dormitory-2024



first 2 classes under construction



first 2 classes completed-2024

The Diocese of Marsabit remains committed to expanding access to quality education, especially for girls and marginalized communities. Through the establishment and support of schools like Alazar Girls and St. Andrew's Boys, the Diocese is investing in a future rooted in knowledge, faith, and opportunity.



foundation dining hall-2024

Expanding the Vision: A Third school, ACK Tumaini Girls' High School in Sololo!



Bishop & our ARDF partners join students and parents; unveiling the Tumaini Girls Plans

With the success of ACK Wings Academy, St. Andrew's Boys, and Elazar Girls, the vision is expanding even further. Advanced plans are underway to establish a third girls' high school in Sololo! ACK TUMAINI GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

- ✓ Land Secured: The Diocese has already acquired land for the project.
- ✓ First Structures Being Planned: Construction is set to begin soon.
- ✓ Welcoming Partnerships: We invite individuals, organizations, and well-wishers to join us in making this dream a reality!



Bishop & Our ARDF partners, join students and parents; during the unveiling of the of the Vision plaque



Canon Jeremiah Omar has been a cornerstone in the establishment

and execution of the Diocese's educational strategy. While he currently serves in the Development Department, his influence extends far beyond –he played a pivotal role in laying the foundations for ACK St. Wings, St. Andrew's Boys High School and all other Anglican schools in Marsabit. His leadership in mobilizing resources, forging partnerships, and ensuring sustainable funding has been instrumental in transforming the vision of Bishop Qampicha into reality. Through his dedication, the Diocese has not only built schools but also fostered an environment where young learners can access quality education rooted in Christian values. His commitment to strengthening infrastructure, securing scholarships for students, and working alongside teachers and administrators has left a lasting impact on the Diocese's mission to uplift education in the region.

ACK Hands Over Construction Materials to Internally Displaced Persons in Marsabit



Bishop & chief Abdub and some of the beneficiaries address the media during the handover

The journey to rebuilding life afresh has begun for 25 families among the more than 500 internally displaced families affected by ethnic conflicts in Marsabit County.

This comes after a group of 25 families, who were victims of the ethnic clashes, benefited from a donation of construction materials provided by the Anglican Church of Kenya, Diocese of Marsabit, through the Anglican Development Services Mt. Kenya East (ADSMKE).



The project was partly resourced by Anglican AID Through Diocesan Generate. Dir. Sam Galgallo with beneficiaries

The assistance includes iron sheets, timber, cement, nails, and labor costs for masons to help in building houses for the affected families.

While handing over the materials to the victims, the Bishop of the Anglican Church of Kenya, Diocese of Marsabit, Qampicha Daniel Wario, stated that the church has taken the initiative to help resettle the displaced families due to the difficult living conditions they have endured for nearly four years following the worst ethnic clashes ever witnessed in Marsabit town and its environs.

Bishop Qampicha emphasized

that for the wounds of the victims to begin healing and for lasting peace to be realized, the displaced persons must return to their normal lives.



timber, part of the donation

The beneficiary families are part of the 50 families that had previously received iron sheets but were unable to build houses due to financial constraints. The church is also continuing its financial support of KES 11,250 per month for 100 internally displaced families in Marsabit. The assistant chief of Jaldesa sub-location, Abdub Hussein, has praised the initiative and called for more efforts from various stakeholders to foster peace and reconciliation among the affected communities in Marsabit.

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A Milestone for ACK Daaba Church and the Community!



Bishop, Can. Jeremiah, Rev. Lobei, Rev. Jomo and some of the Daaba community members during the launch

28/3/25 marked a significant step forward as we officially launched the Water Harvesting and Harnessing Project at ACK Daaba Church! This vital initiative, funded by Anglican Aid Australia, will greatly enhance livelihoods, agriculture, and domestic water use in our community. Access to clean water will also play a crucial role in disease prevention and general hygiene maintenance, ensuring a healthier and more sustainable future for all.



Isiolo archdeaconry in charge Archdeacon Diid Boru assisting the beneficiaries' get water during the launch of the project

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Anglican Aid Australia for their generosity and commitment to transforming lives. The local community, through their leaders, expressed deep appreciation for this life-changing project. A special thank you to Bishop Qampicha, for his dedication to development initiatives that uplift our people.

the event in pictures



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Diocesan Youth and Children Workers Summit
at ACK St. Stephen Training & Conference Centre –
April 7-11, 2025 🌟



Bishop's Address (April 9) – Bishop, Qampicha, graced the event alongside Diocesan Administrator, Canon Kargi.

The Diocesan Youth and Teens Ministry is hosting an impactful five-day youth training at ACK St. Stephen Training and Conference Centre! Over 120 participants, including trainers and facilitators, have gathered for an enriching time of Bible study, exposition, and insightful talks led by Rev. Jomo Nderitu (Diocesan Youth & Teens Ministry Coordinator), alongside youth leaders and facilitators. ♦ Official Opening (April 8) – Led by Archdeacon Joseph Kesho (Marsabit Archdeaconry Leader), with Provost Kennedy Akhogo ministering a Holy Sacrament Service & Sermon.



participants during one of the learning sessions at ack st stephen training centre

♦ Bishop's Address (April 9) – Our Diocesan Bishop, Rt. Rev. Qampicha, graced the event alongside Diocesan Administrator, Canon Kargi. In his powerful message, the Bishop urged the youth to stay steadfast in faith despite today's challenges, reminding them:

📖 "Faith without wisdom is a fail."

📖 "Seek to learn from others and don't be a destroyer—be a builder."

📖 "Be wise, mature, and respectful in your dealings with others."



📖 "Present yourself as mature, honest, and respectful as you work with others."

💬 Through group discussions, debates, and vision casting, these young leaders are strategizing on how to navigate life's challenges while remaining strong in their faith.

🙏 Much appreciation to the Bishop's Office, the Diocesan Youth and Teens Department, and our faith partners for making this life-changing workshop possible!



Cathedral Provost Kennedy Akhongo leading a holy sacrament service

📅 The event ran until Friday, April 11, culminating in a colorful closing ceremony filled with pomp, cake, and celebration. The final day was a joyous occasion, reflecting on the transformative experiences of the past four day



Mothers' Union Training at ACK St. Stephen Training & Conference Centre – April 8-9, 2025



Bishop's Address (April 9) – Bishop, Qampicha, graced the event alongside Diocesan Administrator, Canon Kargi.

The Diocesan Mothers' Union has gathered 34 dedicated women from across the Diocese for an impactful two-day training at ACK St. Stephen Training & Conference Centre. Led by Rev. Elema John, alongside the Cathedral Mothers' Union leadership, this training focuses on strengthening family values, marriage, conflict resolution, and community service—all while ministering to others.



👑 Key Leaders in Attendance:

- ✅ Diocesan Chairlady Mary Solomon Gina
- ✅ Cathedral Chairlady Grace Hirbe
- ✅ Sagante C. lady Martha Roba and other esteemed leaders

Throughout these two days, the mothers have been deeply engaged in:

- 💡 Understanding the vision and objectives of Mothers' Union Central
- 🔗 Strengthening marriages and family values
- 🌱 Conflict resolution in homes and communities
- 👉 Equipping for community outreach and ministry

We thank our leadership and faith partners for making this transformative training possible! May these empowered women continue to impact their families, churches, and communities with wisdom and grace.



The training provided a platform for mothers to share experiences, learn from one another, and develop strategies for ministry in their families and communities.

💬 "She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue." – Proverbs 31:26



Women's ministry is the backbone of family and community strength, promoting faith, reconciliation, and holistic development. Their work needs support and encouragement to continue transforming lives.

💬 Special thanks to our Diocesan leadership, facilitators, and faith partners for supporting this initiative. Through such training, Mothers' Union continues to raise strong women of faith, wisdom, and action!

"When women are rooted in God's Word, they raise families, strengthen churches, and transform communities."

THANKS GIVING & PRAYER ITEMS

Prayer Item: We pray for the continued growth and success of the educational institutions established by the ACK Diocese of Marsabit. May they serve as a sanctuary of learning and faith, providing quality education to all children in the region, and that God guides the teachers, administrators, and students in their pursuit of knowledge and excellence.

Thanksgiving: We give thanks for the collaboration between the ACK Diocese of Marsabit and Cargo Human Care, which has led to remarkable milestones in education. We are grateful for the impact these institutions have had on the community, nurturing young minds, empowering girls through education, and fostering holistic development among boys and girls alike. Thank you, Lord, for the provisions and support that have enabled this vision to flourish.

Prayer Item for Internally Displaced Persons: We pray for peace and healing for the families affected by the ethnic conflicts in Marsabit. May the resources provided by the ACK Diocese and its partners bring restoration to their lives, helping them rebuild their homes and communities. Grant them strength and resilience during this challenging time.

Thanksgiving for Internally Displaced Persons Assistance: We give thanks for the generous support provided to internally displaced families in Marsabit. We are grateful for the construction materials donated by the Anglican Church and for the ongoing financial assistance that helps these families recover from trauma and instability. Thank you, Lord, for the compassion and action of those involved in this initiative.

Prayer Item for Youth and Children Workers Summit: We pray for the participants of the Diocesan Youth and Children Workers Summit at ACK St. Stephen Training and Conference Centre. May this event be a source of inspiration, equipping the youth with wisdom and strength to navigate the challenges of life while nurturing their faith.

Thanksgiving for the Youth Summit: We give thanks for the successful gathering of the youth and leaders during the summit. We celebrate the learning, growth, and fellowship experienced by all participants. Thank you for the leaders who dedicated their time and resources to empower the next generation, reinforcing the message of faith and resilience.

Bishop's Closing Word:

As we take a moment to reflect on our collective efforts in education, community support, and faith empowerment, my heart is filled with both hope and gratitude. The journey we are on, transforming lives through quality education and compassionate outreach, is truly a testament to God's unwavering grace and our shared commitment to making a difference.

Our initiatives, like the establishment of ACK Wings Academy, St. Andrew's Boys High School, and ACK Elazar Girls High School, illustrate the power of partnership and dedication. Each step we take toward providing our youth with the opportunity for academic excellence and moral grounding not only shapes their futures but also enriches our entire community.

Moreover, the support extended to the internally displaced families underscores our calling as a church to be a beacon of hope and healing in times of distress. It is a reminder that we are all part of God's greater plan, where our efforts to uplift one another reflect His love.

As we move forward, I urge each of you to remain steadfast in our mission. Let us continue to work together, fostering an environment where our children can flourish academically and spiritually, our communities can heal from past wounds, and our faith can deepen. Together, we can build a bright future that is rooted in love, unity, and shared purpose.

May God bless our endeavors and guide us on this sacred journey. Thank you for your commitment, your prayers, and your unwavering support.

Rt. Rev. Daniel Wario Qampicha,
Bishop of ACK Diocese of Marsabit