

# NEWSLETTER

## Internship Class of 2017



The 2017 East Africa CHE Internship saw a blend of eleven leaders, citizens from different countries around the world congregate for the six week program for capacity building and practical experience on how to initiate, develop, evaluate and scale up CHE programs through their hands on participation in existing program in Kenya.

Through role plays, stories, field visits and direct participation the interns took part at all levels and also shared from their previous experiences. All was not dull and fun moments included the interns learning how to prepare soya milk and soya scrambled eggs.

Most importantly however was that they got to learn how by using the CHE model they could help communities to grow spiritually through forming growth groups where both physical and spiritual discipleship takes place.

### *Site Visits*

*The Interns got a chance to visit CHE programs in both rural and urban settings. In the picture below, the interns are being trained on how to make Paper Necklaces, where such crafts, card making and farming constitute some of the income generating activities in Western Kenya CHE projects with a view towards self-sustenance. From principles learnt through CHE in Church, School, Home and Community Based settings the communities are becoming more resilient towards local challenges as well as being able to impact others both spiritually and physically.*





*The interns are trained on drip irrigation (above) and below the interns go through training on how to prepare lotions and creams from sesame oil.*

They also learnt how to mobilize community members to develop spiritually and economically through identifying their needs, acquiring skills and finding local based solutions and resources to tackle those needs.

The interns also got time off from their busy schedule to play and visit various sites around the country. Some visited game parks, hotels and recreation sites and all had a chance to go zip-lining one Sunday afternoon.

All interns got a chance to participate at a local church each Sunday including preaching to the local congregations. Finally we had a chance to sample cuisine from all the participating countries prepared by the interns.

We thank the Lord for yet another opportunity to host this year's Internship. It was fun and a great learning experience for all of us. It was also a challenge and an awakening to realize that God is still working around the world. It does not matter how little resources we think we have God can take them multiply them and use them to bless the nations.

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LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME



Children are often left out as a tool for ministry but Jesus said that we should let the children come to him, and we should not hinder them. CHE has found a way to tap into children's ability to influence even grownups to come to the Lord and this is through Children's CHE. Children's CHE is practiced in both the urban and rural setting and what has been discovered is that children are always eager to learn and accept the Lord Jesus into their lives.

The interns also got to visit a Children's Ministry called Hope Anew run by a Kenyan couple who have stayed abroad for twenty years and they come back home and started this ministry as a way of giving back to the society and giving hope to the children.

It was a fun and interactive day as the interns got to play with the children as well as teach them while sharing the gospel.

**EAST AFRICA CHE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

The CHE East Africa Internship program offers those interested in effectively transforming their communities and programs spiritually and physically, a hands on, intensive and engaging 6 week program. It entails training on transforming communities spiritually and physically, learning how to effectively use locally available resources and visiting project sites in Kenya.