

## PROJECT PROPOSAL

# Water For Saint Felix Centre



Oldonyiro, Isiolo  
Kenya

# Overview

In 2016, when the **Felician Sisters** settled in the semi-desert corner of the world, Lengruma community, inhabited by the Samburu and Turkana pastoralist nomads, they recognized that conditions were harsh. Set off the beaten track, in the upper eastern region of Kenya, about 64km from Isiolo town, Lengruma is miserably hot, its earth is parched, and the town is only accessible by trucks and 4-wheel drive vehicles. The most obvious and critical need in this desert region is water.

Even more troubling, as they started visiting the homesteaders and evangelizing, the **Sisters** discovered that the children were helpless victims of this harsh environment, deprived as they were of basic needs, as well as their right to an education. Even though there was a primary school in the area, it was still a considerable distance away, and what with the cost as well as seasonal rivers, the children were not able to attend. Further, girls were being offered for early marriages from as young as 7-8 years, without their knowledge.

The **Sisters** knew for sure that this is where God had led them to share His love. They started gathering the children under trees, and looked for a local teacher to train them. The parents, meanwhile, got together and fenced around the trees with thorny bushes. And so it was, in 2017, **Saint Felix Centre** was established.

Soon, the school was embraced by nearby communities, and children poured in in large numbers. Besides an education, the children are fed and clothed. With the help of a small staff, which the Sisters employ, the children receive basic education classes, and the Sisters use this opportunity for evangelization. The majority of children are educated and fed for free, while those who can, make a contribution of ksh. 1,000 per term – this is equivalent to the grand total of **US\$7.72**. For those families with 1 or more children, this is still difficult for them to afford.

The **Felician Sisters** rely heavily on their faith, which has paid off. For God has brought the benevolence of kindhearted strangers their way. From these humble beginnings under some trees, **Saint Felix Centre** grew.

*First this*



*And now, this*



# Where They Are



Coordinates: 0.6236° N, 36.9850° E

*"Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."* Matthew 17:20.

# Project Snapshot

**Global Humanitarian Mission**, as a Christian organization, enacts the Corporal Works of Mercy to those we serve. As such, we are empowered to support the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Felix of Cantalice, whose Charism also is to serve with compassion.

Now that the children have a safe and comfortable classroom for learning, attention is being given to the overwhelming need in this entire area, for water. The community, including children must walk for miles with large containers to collect water, not only for their households but for the animals as well.

For those who can afford to, water is available for purchase from vendors who drive their trucks into the towns with large drums containing the precious commodity.

The **Water For Saint Felix Centre** project is therefore being established to ensure a healthier lifestyle for the school community by having a steady supply of water for their daily use.

The project will entail the following:

- Obtaining a hydrogeological survey
- Permits
- Drilling a borehole, including installations of
  - Pump
  - Solar system
- Constructing a water tower and housing for optimal storage and supply

**TOTAL COST: \$55,202.53**

*The General Service Unit comes round with these drums of water.*



# From Global Humanitarian Mission

Looking back from when they first arrived as missionaries to this desert land, the ***Felician Sisters*** have been led by their faith, and the Lord has made a way for them.

Today, because of the generosity of donors, the children are taught in dignified classrooms that shield them from the brutal elements outside.

The extreme circumstances of lack of water is a daily struggle for the Sisters to be able to operate St. Felix Centre with proper hygiene facilities. They are gravely in need of water.

***Your gift will ensure that St. Felix Centre can remain open to provide a healthy environment for its 100 students. In addition, an estimated 500 people from the community will be able to have access to a steady supply of clean water.***

***Your gift will be an incredible blessing, an end to this water crisis!***

## *Parents fetch water for St. Felix Centre*



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