



### — QUIET LIGHT —



"There is a quiet light that shines in every heart. It draws no attention to itself, though it is always secretly there.

It is what illuminates our minds to see beauty, our desire to seek possibility, and our hearts to love life. Without this subtle quickening our days would be empty and wearisome, and no horizon would ever awaken our longing.

Our passion for life is quietly sustained from somewhere in us that is welded to the energy and excitement of life.

This shy inner light is what enables us to recognize and receive our very presence here as blessing.

We enter the world as strangers  
who all at once become heirs to a harvest of memory, spirit, and dream  
that has long preceded us and will now enfold, nourish, and sustain us.  
The gift of the world is our first blessing."

**John O'Donohue**

Excerpt from BENEDICTUS (Europe) /  
TO BLESS THE SPACE BETWEEN US





## ———— PRAYER REQUEST ————

For the repose of the soul of Naomi Wambui Gitari, staff member of Mary Ward Centre in Nairobi.

## ———— EDMUND RICE CAMP NAIROBI-EXECUTIVE MEETING ————

On Sunday, 21 May 2017, the seven-member executive team of Edmund Rice Karibu Camps – Nairobi held their 4th meeting of the year. Also in attendance were Br. Francis Nkwabi and Br. Vincent Mallya (of the Mission Office) and Br. George Massay who is the Deputy District Leader (DLT) and contact person for Edmund Rice Karibu group.



Figure 1L-R Br Vincent, Joy, Diana Akoth, John Omondi, Patrick Matara, Samuel Karanja, Br George, John Muisyo, Sammy Muga, Fred Otieno and Br Francis Nkwabi

The meeting started with prayer: a reflection led by Br. Peter Cole (who is the chaplain for Edmund Rice Karibu Group) in the chapel. The meeting focused on understanding the leadership structure and the roles and responsibilities of individuals and other stakeholders. We also discussed seeking advice on how to develop a strategic plan for 2017-2021. We identified some elements we want in the plan: seeking for advice from the DLT and mission office on how to form an advisory board for the betterment of Edmund Rice Karibu Group. The





goal of the plan is to enhance the growth of the group and to build the capacity of the members in serving marginalised children.

**Sammy Muga**

———— **EDMUND RICE KARIBU GROUP**  
**CAMP HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017** ————

On Saturday, the Karibu leaders utilized their expertise in running camps to give children a day of fun and learning. At Regina Pacis, 50 volunteers and 87 children (from different schools of Kibera) participated, starting at 9am in the morning. The weather was chilly, which is good for the camp.



Children and Camp leaders

There was a great output of energy, both from the children and the volunteers in participating in the games that ranged from song games to ball games. The children could be heard shouting in happiness all over the playing field. What made the day even more interesting were the rotational games in small groups. Here the leaders were seen to initiate some very creative games that the children found exciting and enjoyable. The whole day ran smoothly and proved to be enjoyable to everyone.

In the Afternoon, the coach of the day chose an excellent topic for the discussions after introductory presentations on the topic had been







made. The topic was Human Rights and specifically Child Rights. With the help of the volunteers, the children presented excellent skits which were rich in educational content for everyone.



The day ended well with children and leaders having connected and created a community, full of life and friendships, full of sincere love. True to the spirit of Edmund, a just, all inclusive society had been created.

**John Muisyo.**

### **Birthdays in May**

MAY 28 MELKIZEDECK MUSAMIA (Shillong - India)

### **CALENDAR**

May 15-16	Formation Committee Meeting
May 18	DLT & Development Meeting
May 22-26	PLT Meeting
May 27	Br Pascal Kituku's death anniversary
May 31 – June 6	AP Long Workshop
June 1	Madaraka Day
June 3-13	Gone Fishing Program
June 4-16	CLG Meeting - Rome
August 11-13	AP Workshop
August 14-18	PLT Meeting





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August 30-Sept 1	DLT Review
September 8	Community Leaders Meeting
September 9	Cluster
September 11-15	Accompaniment Workshop
September 15-17	Aspirants Discernment weekend
September 21-22	Formation Committee Meeting
October 11	Child Protection Workshop
October 20	Mashujaa Day
October 20-22	Selection of 2018 Postulants
November 6-17	ERI Training Geneva
November 8-10	RSCK AGM
November 20-24	PLT Meeting (Lusaka)
November 25	First Profession (Lusaka)
December 12	Jamhuri Day

Many blessings

George

