



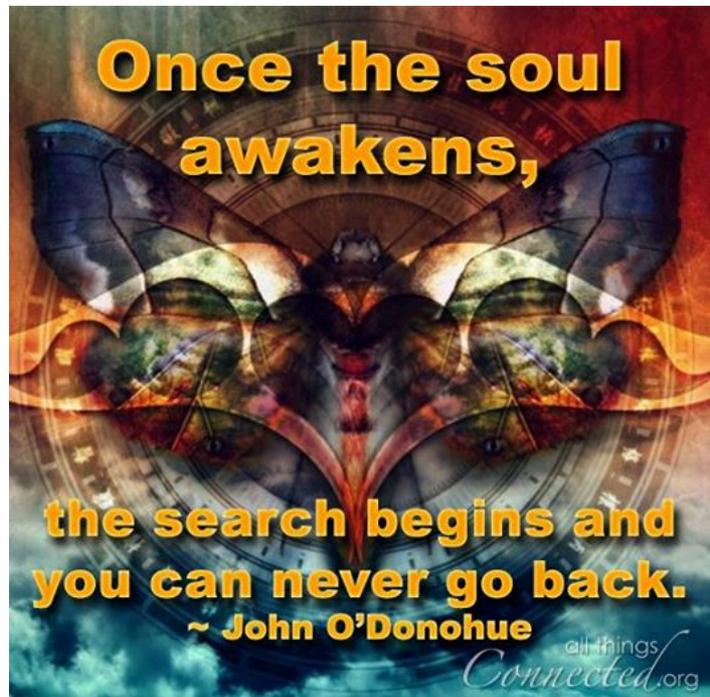
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———— **ONCE THE SOUL AWAKENS** ————

Once the soul awakens,  
the search begins  
and you can never go back.

From then on,  
you are inflamed  
with a special longing  
that will never again  
let you linger  
in the lowlands of complacency and  
partial fulfillment.

The eternal makes you urgent.  
You are loath to let compromise  
or the threat of danger  
hold you back from striving  
toward the summit of fulfillment.”



John O'Donohue

———— **PRAYERS REQUESTED** ————

Prayers are requested for Peter Ochieng, father to Julias Oluoch who is admitted in hospital.





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## **EADLT TEAM BUILDING**

The East Africa leadership Team of Tony Shanahan, Amandi Mboya and George Massay spent four days of team building process facilitated by David Gibson. Mary Ward Centre in Karen provided a



conducive environment for this significant time of us as a team to plan how *we are to be* and *do* for the next six years. Special thanks go to David who led us so skillfully and brotherly. His skills of Transactional Analysis and his experience in leadership came

in handy!

**GEORGE MASSAY**

## **TRAINING FOR TRANSFORMATION UNDERWAY IN EAST AFRICA DISTRICT**

This week a number of annually professed brothers together with



Russel Peters are undergoing Training for Transformation co-facilitated by Paul Mutuku, Constantine Sunday and Nicodemus Okuku.

Pictured are brothers during the morning prayer.

**GEORGE MASSAY**





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## BEAUSANG PANTHERS CLAW THEIR WAY INTO FOOTBALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Brother Beusang Players - The Black Panthers

The Beusang boys' football team popularly known as *The Black Panthers* showed their steel and mettle by defeating the reigning national soccer champions Upper Hill School 2-0 in a tightly contested match played at Christ the King Catholic School in

Kimana-Loitokitok on Saturday July 19. The match had finished in a barren draw at the end of normal regulation time of 90 minutes. Both teams has not created too many goal scoring chances and the Beausang cause was somewhat hindered by the loss of three key players pre match.

As the first 15 minutes of extra-time neared completion and the reality of a penalty shout out was looming large, the 4,000 strong crowd who were overwhelmingly supporting the Kajiado County champions (us!) erupted when a seemingly harmless pass was lobbed into the Upper Hill half a few metres from the 18 metre box. Black Panthers striker Evans Ochieng (Form 1), tightly marked by two gigantic defenders went for the ball, chested and turned and released a thunderbolt into the Upper Hill net. Regardless of the elbowing and out-muscling, the danger man managed to hold his own to give the ball a low right-foot hard drive to the right corner of the goal-post, giving the goalkeeper no chance to get his fingers to it.....and voila.... the round inflated leather Adidas ball smashed into the net . That 'touch' alone sent the delirious fans onto the pitch in a frenzy as locals and friends of Beausang ran and circled the field in celebration..... the referee took the wise path and signaled soon after for half time with the 2013 Kenyan national champions struggling to come to term with what had just transpired.





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The second half began on a high tempo with Upper Hill pressing to get an equalizer to salvage the game. As they sent most of their men high up the Beausang half, a long high ball was cut out and quickly played to the left wing. Joshua Odhiambo (Form 3 student) who had

just come on as a substitute, made a quick run for a counter attack, controlled the ball looked up as the last two defenders narrowed in, held the ball for precious seconds as he calculated an angled chipping pass to the Beausang danger man Evans, who with a deft touch was now facing the Upper Hill goal. The goalkeeper stormed out to block Evans but in the end to no avail.

Evans had already decided what to do with the ball and hit a perfect low drive into the “old onion bag”( net).The crowd and Beausang bench went wild with many enthusiastic spectators running onto the pitch screaming ‘KWISHA( Finished).....KWISHA.....( Finished)’ to the chagrin of the Upper Hill players some of whom fell to the ground in tears. Five minutes later (during which time the opposition coach showed his sportsmanship by throwing stones at some of the Beausang players!), the referee blew the final whistle signaling the end of the 2014 road for the defending national champions and signaling the dawn of a new force in school football, Brother Beausang from Kajiado County. The Panthers had downed the giant of Kenyan football not by a stone as David did to Goliath, but by two brilliant goals which also meant the school’s inaugural trip to the national championships to be held in Kakamega in August.

Needless to say the team received a wonderful reception at school upon their return from their 10 day stay in Loitoktok for the County then





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Nairobi regionals. The German World Cup return had nothing on what happened at Brother Beausang!

This is the first time a school from Kajiado has progressed to the nationals and in so doing the boys achieved something quite amazing for such a relatively young school. They certainly lived out the school motto... 'carpe diem' (seize the day!).

The school was also celebrating its Transforming Kenya Award that weekend so a very big day in the history of Brother Beausang.

**Wellington Sitati / Mercilinus Osiemo / Peter Shanahan**

———— **KIBERA BLACK STARS GIVING  
BACK TO THE COMMUNITY** ————



**Kibera Black Stars with students and staff of MRC**

What a remarkable day it was, on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2014 we were privileged to receive a group of young soccer players namely Kibera Black Stars. Their technical advisor Edwin Oketch had called previously and requested if his team would be allowed to visit

our Centre and get to know what we do.

When the team arrived, after the normal introductions, the players sang songs for and with the children and then closed the session with a prayer.

When we thought that we were finished they surprised us gifts that they had bought for the children worth Kshs, 10,000. They surpassed our imagination after we saw all the things they presented to the children, they offered a bundle of maize flour and wheat flour, tissue papers, a bag of rice, juice, biscuits, sugars and fruits, this was one of those things we did not expect to see. We as the Centre and the





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children were very happy for all they did that day, they also interacted and played with our children and shared great time together.

We were very inspired by this little symbol of kindness we received from this young men who are dedicated to make a change in the society although they don't earn or work. The parents were at the Centre that day for a parents meeting and they felt challenged by this group of young



Figure 1 David receiving gifts from the Kibera Black Stars

men who came from the same slum as them but could afford to give back to the society the little they had. They learnt that regardless of where you come from or what you do, you can always find something to give as the going goes there is no one who is too poor to give nor too rich to receive.

## JASMINE JERUSSA

### CALENDAR

July 28 – August 2	Long workshop for all APs and also FPs on T4T training
Sept 20	Cluster Day in Nairobi (Saturday 9 am to 5 pm)
Sept 28 – 30	ERMEA gathering
Oct 31 – Nov 1	Community Leaders Meeting (Friday supper and Saturday)
Nov 29	First Profession (Tamale)
Dec 6	Ritual of welcome and missioning for newly professed (Nairobi)
Dec 12 - 15	District Assembly

Many blessings

George Massay

