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Hello Sisters and Brothers at Western Hills!

I hope you remember this often: *You're making a difference in Africa.*

*Thank you! Your consistent support matters. Especially this year when we're still trying to catch up from three years of slow macadamia markets. It feels so encouraging to know you continue to believe in the work of African Christian College! Every gift you send means that Poloko, Nonsikelelo, and their classmates will continue to learn and grow toward their graduation goal. *Thank you for giving today, and for giving regularly.* African Christian College remains strong because of you!*

Your gift of \$1,979.00 made on 11/28/2025 is already hard at work to cover campus operations and keep students learning. *As a registered 501(c)3 organization, your donation is completely tax deductible. Please keep this for your tax records to claim your deduction.*

When students work in the macadamia orchards, they learn valuable skills outside the classroom that enhance their degree. *Your gift is making sure this continues. Each student you equip impacts others: more families, churches, and communities. *Thank you* for your faith and vision in making this life-changing gift!*

In upcoming issues of the *Harvest Newsletter*, I'll update you on all you are making possible. Feel free to call me at 512-900-9875 with your questions. You're the heart of this work and I'd love to hear from you!

May God bless you beyond measure for your love expressed through giving!

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P.S. I've enclosed a story to let you know how your gift changes lives. Thanks again for all you do for our students!



A Story of Hope and Healing: Salomon and Gloriose's Impact in Burundi

Salomon and Gloriose knew hardship before coming to ACC. The kind that could have broken them. But their education at ACC turned their past experiences into seeds for compassion — and a call to serve others and create opportunities for people to rewrite their stories.

After graduating from African Christian College in 2015, the couple returned to their home country, Burundi, determined to live out their faith through service.



Saloman, Gloriose, and son

Gloriose, who majored in counselling, began working as a health center mediator, walking alongside people living with HIV/AIDS, a role that requires deep empathy and love.

“I had to put into practice what I learned at African Christian College,” she recalls. “Many of the people I met were not only battling the disease but also the emotional and psychological weight that came with it.”

In a country still wrestling with poverty and illness, her work became a ministry of healing — bringing hope to those who needed it most.

Salomon, meanwhile, served as the Provincial Church Empowerment Zone Coordinator for World Relief, working with churches to bring practical help to the destitute and vulnerable.



A community receives their food parcels

“Every day, I wake up with the desire to make a difference in my community,” he shared. **“It is hard to live with yourself when you see people suffering and do nothing.”** His passion for community development later opened more doors. Salomon went on

to join International Christian Ministries, in partnership with United Christians for Change and Development, as an Area Coordinator in Bujumbura Province. Through these

partnerships, he has helped close the inequality gap by providing food parcels and support for struggling families.

One of the highlights of his ministry has been working with New Life Behavior International, a program that has reached thousands of young people. “Many youths have restored their lives to Christ, regained hope, and returned to school to complete their education,” Salomon says with gratitude.

The couple’s impact extends to widows and orphans as well. Through their Goat and Rabbit Project, they empower widows by giving them a female goat or rabbit and training them to raise and multiply their livestock. “These women are now forming savings groups, paying school fees, and providing for their families,” Salomon explains. “Seeing the joy on their faces when the animals give birth is one of the greatest rewards. It brings hope not only to our community but to Africa as a whole.”

Their efforts have also reached 198 orphans, who received essential school materials such as shoes, uniforms, and books, helping them and their struggling families regain dignity and hope. Beyond that, the couple has overseen the construction of wells, providing clean water to more than 3,000 people who once had to walk long distances just to fetch water.



Orphans celebrating their school supplies

Looking to the future, Salomon dreams of building an orphanage center — a place where vulnerable children can find safety, love, and a chance to thrive.

“We are forever grateful for the education we received at African Christian College,” they both affirm. “It shaped our hearts for service and gave us the tools to help others just as we were helped when we were struggling.”

Salomon and Gloriose are amazing, yet not unique in their impact. Graduates of ACC often reach hundreds if not thousands of people with all the ways God chooses to use them.

Your gifts equip leaders who impact thousands of lives across Africa.

Thank you for caring enough to change lives!