



From left to right: Ruth, Dennis, Gideon and Abigael

Greetings from Kenya!

It has been an incredibly busy but wonderfully eventful year for us. Our programme is up and running and we have four amazingly dedicated students. Here are some highlights of our year:

- Our students joined us in June and stayed with us on the NRF Compound for 3 months. It was a real joy to spend such quality time together and to disciple them in the Word.
 - All four of our students got into their first-choice universities and are currently studying Aeronautical Engineering, Journalism, Radiography and Accounting. We are so proud of them.
 - Abigael completed a wonderful internship at Eldoret International Airport with Samaritan's Purse and participated in a major service of their DC-3 aircraft.
- We have provided 3 internship opportunities at our workplace for Kenyan students. Angeline, Mirriam and Cecilia have been able to learn new skills and also benefit our programme through their existing talents.
 - We finally gained partnership status with the Kenyan Ministry of Education, which will make our work advertising our programme in future intakes far easier.
 - Connie Engelbrecht joined our UK board and has been a real asset to New Routes, especially in our marketing strategies.
 - Mercy Obala has now been working for us for a full year. She has done an excellent job so far and has formed a close bond with our students.
 - Storm and Sophie have purchased $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre of land, and intend to build NGO offices, classrooms and student rooms on the land as well as their house.



From left to right: Abigael, Dennis, Storm, Sophie, Gideon and Ruth on our first day with the students. We hiked to a waterfall and had a picnic.

OUR PROGRAMME

RESIDENTIAL DISCIPLESHIP

Our students stay with us for 3 months prior to joining university. In this time, we get to know each other well and study the Bible together, among other things.

NRF COURSES

In the 3 months before university, we also teach our students 4 courses that we believe is essential to helping our students become successful adults:

- Financial Management
- Soft Skills
- Health & Wellbeing
- Computer Skills

MENTORSHIP

Regular mentoring is so important to our programme. We delve into various topical discussions followed by one-on-one mentoring during the residential discipleship, and then when our students head off to university, we continue to keep in close contact with them remotely/in person. We are always there should any of them feel they want discuss anything.

UNIVERSITY SPONSORSHIP

We cover all costs that come with going to university – tuition fees, living costs, transport costs, and all extra course-related costs.

INTERNSHIPS

We guarantee our students a unique and career-focused internship, which we either source ourselves or create ourselves.

ONGOING DISCIPLESHIP

We continue to teach our students the Bible throughout their university years. Most of this is done during holiday periods but we also sometimes have Zoom Bible Studies. We also encourage our students to find a good local church and to join the Christian Union at their universities.

We have found that our students have many, many Bible questions, questions about churches and practices, and their own individual faiths. It is our joy to guide our students in these matters and to help them grow in their relationships with God.

Even if our students were to become financially successful after graduating, to us, it would all be in vain if they had not had the opportunity to place God at the centre of their lives and decide to live lives that glorify Him.









We are loving discipling our students but our students are NOT fully sponsored yet. We still require 8-9 sponsors to ensure these 4 students will be fully covered. Of course, we would also love to be able to take on more students next year. To make this happen, we are looking for more sponsors to join us and also for individuals to propose us to their companies or run fundraising activities on our behalf. The difference this programme has been able to make in the lives of these students has far exceeded our expectations and imaginations and we do not want to stop here! Please do get in touch if you would like to get involved in some way.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all our current sponsors, donors and prayer partners - you have enabled us to give our students what they needed, and God has been gracious to guide us through these uncharted waters. We feel our programme - particularly the crucial first 3 months of residential discipleship - has been a great success and we are so pleased to see how our students have grown. We are so glad to be able to continue this journey with them and ask that you will keep praying for all of us and keep supporting our students who are so motivated to make a difference.

**All our love,
New Routes**

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